

GENERAL STATE NEWS.

Cream of the State Press.

Drops of Turpentine and Grains of Rice from the East; Clusters of Grapes and Tobacco Stems from the North; Shells of Corn and Grains of Wheat from the West, and Peanuts and Cotton Seed from the South.

Gastonia is to have a bank.

Charlotte had seventeen deaths in January.

A coffin factory has been established at Burlington.

Col. T. M. Holt will rebuild his gristmill at Graham.

A spoke and handle factory has been built at Mocksville.

A light house to be built at Cape Hatteras will cost \$500,000.

Twenty two passenger trains arrive and depart from Greensboro every day.

The streets of Wilmington are to be improved by putting down oyster shells.

There are about sixty Young Men's Christian Associations in North Carolina.

Mr. L. C. Rountree, who lived near Greenville, died a few days ago from an overdose of laudanum.

Two white men were arrested at Monroe last week charged with stealing a horse in South Carolina.

Smithfield Herald: We saw a bale of cotton on our streets a few days ago covered with bed ticking.

We learn from the Chronicle that the car sheds of the C. O. Road at Charlotte, were burned last Tuesday.

Mr. Julian Carr, of Durham, has given the Students' Aid Fund of Wake Forest College a check for \$1,000.

Marion is to have a cotton and broom factory. The machinery for the broom factory has already arrived.

There have been seven deaths from la grippe reported in North Carolina. Four of these occurred at Ox ford.

The Wayne Agricultural Works at Goldsboro sustained a loss of about \$1,000 by fire last Wednesday night.

The first through passenger train from Mt. Airy to Wilmington over the C. F. & Y. V. Road will run Saturday.

J. P. Horne, Sheriff of Union county, yesterday settled taxes with the State Treasurer, paying in \$8,021.71.

The students of the Newberne Collegiate Institute are studying the geography of Nellie Bly's trip around the world.

Mitchell county is crowing over Ashe, which has had 40 murders since the war, while it, (Mitchell) has had only 39.

A correspondent writing from Williamson says that five mad dogs have been killed in that town within a few days.

The person in possession of ticket No 448 is entitled to the carpet at W. H. & R. S. Tucker & Co.'s. No. 67 secures the cloak.

The three C's Road put a negro engineer in charge of a train on that Road. Several white engineers at once resigned their positions.

A prominent railroad man in this State says that before long the railroad shops in the South will turn out their own locomotives and cars.

The Supervising Architect of the Treasury gives Congressman Ewart to understand that work on the Asheville public building will probably begin about April 1st.

In Mitchell county, week before last, Moulton Buchanan, who recently shot one Stanley, was shot and killed by Stanley's friends in revenge.

The report is out that the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company contemplates laying a double track between Wilmington and Weldon.

The contract for opening and completing the canal from Roanoke Falls to Weldon has been let. The outlay for the work will be about \$30,000.

We learn from the Messenger that an attempt was made to set fire to the residence of Mr. Geo. F. Tilley, of Wilmington, last Monday night.

Reidsville has just put in a new town clock. Whether the county commissioners are in any manner involved on account thereof, is not stated.

Mr. Kleper Denmark, of Goldsboro, has been awarded \$5,000 damages by a jury for the loss of a leg on the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Mr. Thos. A. Edison, the famous inventor is at Charlotte. He is accompanied by his wife and two sons, also Mrs. McWilliams, of New Jersey.

"Peg leg" Williams says that he and the other "boys" have shipped 32,000 negroes from this State to the Southwest and have orders for 5,000 more.

Warren G. Elliott, Esq., of Norfolk, Va., has been elected president of the Wilmington & Weldon railroad and will make his residence in Wilmington.

Asheboro Courier: The sound of the hammer and saw is heard daily in Asheboro. The old town is on a boom and no mistake. The population of Asheboro will be largely increased this year.

During the month of January, Messrs Hanes & Co., of Winston, shipped 175,973 pounds of manufactured tobacco on which they paid over \$14,000 revenue tax.

Charles Myers, colored, of Mecklenburg county, was jailed at Charlotte charged with stealing a watch from G. C. Cathey, Esq., of that county, says the Charlotte Chronicle.

The Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington has decided to hold a gala week in May or June to celebrate the completion of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad to that city.

Asheville Citizen: William Miller, who is wanted in Asheville for shooting John Dryman, has been arrested in Knoxville and an officer was yesterday sent to bring him to the city.

Capt. Nathan Walker sent us a turnip Saturday which is a Maud S. It beats the world, and weighs ten pounds and six ounces. It will go the Newberne Fair.—E. City Economist.

The farmers in several counties have grown tired of the emigration business, and on two or three occasions the agents have been invited away never to return or take the consequences.

A correspondent of the News and Observer, writing from Yanceyville, states that the town voted a subscription of \$10,000 to the Danville, Mebane and Southern Railroad on the 8th.

All of the prisoners (four) confined in the Durham county jail escaped on the night of the 10th inst. The Sun says that it is thought that a key was conveyed to the prisoners by some means.

Danbury Reporter: Much uneasiness is felt in regard to the wheat crop in this county. Farmers say that it is putting up the head stalk, and fear a freeze may kill it, which will injure, or ruin the crop.

Wadesboro Intelligencer-Messenger: No county in North Carolina can beat Anson for fine stock. It is a very rare occurrence to see a sorry team on our streets. They all show evidence of humane treatment and plenty of provender.

Henderson Tomahawk: The wife of John Young, colored, living on Mr. Whit Swain's place, near town, gave birth to one child on the 5th, one on the 6th and another on the 7th. The oldest are living and the youngest is dead.

Asheville Citizen: Hendersonville is enjoying a spirited and gratifying boom. The city has begun the laying of pipes for a water works system, and a company is building a street car line. Work on the latter will be completed by summer.

The Wilmington Messenger notes that it is currently reported about Raleigh that the Atlantic Coast Line has in contemplation a double track from Wilmington to Weldon. It would not surprise us much. The Coast Line people are progressive, in any way.

Lincolnton Courier: There are two factories nearing completion at Lincolnton which, we believe, will prove to be of profit to the owners and of value to the town, and these are the furniture establishments of Motz Bros. and also of Mr. Ed. James.

Rutherford Banner: Seventy-nine thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars' worth of improvements made in our town inside of two years. We regret to learn of the death of R. R. Hayne's wife which occurred a few days ago, at her home on Broad river.

A correspondent writing from Halifax to the Evening Call of this city says: "Obstructions are being removed and rocks are being blasted in Roanoke river, preparatory to making the stream navigable for commerce boats up to Halifax and Weldon."

Louisburg Times: Preparations are on foot to erect a large brick tobacco warehouse in Louisburg. Mrs. Hardy Gupton, a very highly esteemed lady of Gold Mine township, passed over the river of death on the 3d inst. She had reached the ripe age of 70 years.

Tarboro Southern: Several negroes made their exodus from this place to-day, going to Rocky Mount and other points to make their way southward. While there is no regular exodus train to convey them they leave with the hope of taking the cars at other points.

It is stated that the inhabitants of Stokes county are much excited about a certain cave in the Sauratown mountains. It is so deep that a rock thrown into it cannot be heard when it strikes the bottom. Lately smoke has been seen issuing from the mouth of the cave.

Concord Times: On the Saffir farm, lately the home of L. H. Sapp, a gold vein has been found and is being opened up by Messrs. Goodman & Co., the present owners. Experts in mining say it is quite rich.—Mr. W. A. Smith showed us some very rich ore from the McEachern mine in No. 10 township, which is a late discovery. He said he got 16 pennyweights from one small pan full, and if it keeps up this way Montgomery's rich mines won't be a drop in the bucket.

The Southerner says: If people living near Fishing creek wish that stream cleared of logs and other obstructions for navigations by light draft steamers they should send in their petitions to their Congressmen and Senators. What is worth having is worth asking for.

Reidsville Review: Little Ruth Swann, the six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Swann, while playing at a neighbor's house last Friday afternoon about 2 o'clock, had her clothing caught by fire. She was horribly burned and died from her injuries Saturday morning about 5:30.

Asheville Journal: John Berry, whose second trial for the killing of George W. Bell, occupied the most of yesterday afternoon in testifying in his own behalf. His wife was also called to the stand to testify. Other witnesses were examined this forenoon. Lawyer M. E. Carter made the opening speech for the State.

New Bern Journal: There are some towns and communities in North Carolina, we are glad to say, where "hard times" is not the cry and the effect of short crops is not felt. Mr. W. O. Williams, of Portsmouth, was in the city yesterday. He says that the people in his community are in good circumstances—better than for years.

The Williamston correspondent of the Scotland Neck Democrat says: "An operation was performed upon Mr. Peele, by three physicians in Dr. Ha-rel's office last Monday. A stone as large as a door knob was taken from him. Though the operation was very painful, Mr. Peele is now doing well, and is in a fair way to recover."

The Goldsboro Argus announces that Rev. Dr. Marx Moses, Rabbi of the Hebrew Synagogue in that city, has been honored with a flattering surprise in the way of an unsolicited call to the charge of a large congregation in California. The call is of such a nature and the "charge" so desirable that the erudite Rabbi has decided to accept it.

Goldsboro Argus: We regret to announce the death of Mr. L. Spicer, constable of Goldsboro township, which sad event occurred yesterday morning at 6 o'clock of pneumonia. Mr. Spicer was a native of Edgecombe county, and came to this city at the close of the war. He was about 48 years of age. He was a gallant Confederate soldier.

Mr. Jessie Brantley and Mr. Thos. Portis became involved in a difficulty a few days ago, near Garysburg. The quarrel was about a boat. Brantley struck Portis over the head with a plow handle. Portis ran and Brantley pursued him and again struck him with the plow handle. Portis then turned and dealt him a terrible blow with a stick which crushed in his skull. Brantley is still alive but will die.

Concord Standard: We were shown Wednesday a fine lot of gold in a pan of ore taken from the Allison gold mine recently discovered in this town. It was gotten from a lump of ore about the size of one's fist and weighing one and a half pounds. There was about two pennyweights of gold. J. L. Earnheart and others have leased the mine and are now working it. They have out 300 bushels of ore.

The county commissioners and the citizens of Iredell county are "janglin'" about spending \$175 for a town clock, to be placed on the new bank building in Statesville. A good many citizens oppose the scheme. We are disposed to take sides with those opposed. Those who can't pay \$1.50 for a Waterbury watch have no business knowing the time of day, no how. And, besides, the exercise necessary to wind them up is of great benefit to health.

Charlotte is to have a big time on May 20th. One of the specialties will be a championship race between the Columbia, S. C., and Athens, Ga., truck companies. Those two companies are the champions of the South, and are now "tied," each having won one race. They propose to run off the tie at Charlotte, and will offer a prize of \$500 in addition to the prize to be offered by the Charlotte firemen. The time of the Athens company is 34 1/2 seconds, 125 yards run, and put up ladders.

The Board of Trustees of the Baptist Female University met in Raleigh last Wednesday, and after a lengthy conference, decided to locate the college in Raleigh. A number of towns made propositions to have it located within their limits. Durham offered \$50,000 in cash and a site. Raleigh gave \$25,000 and a site. The Board decided to put the college here because it is a central point. Raleigh now has eight colleges including those for the colored people. This does not include the graded schools and other public schools.

The Washington Progress says: The Wilmington Seacoast Railroad is putting in a side track at Wrightsville, preparatory to the forthcoming season.—We regret to learn that Mr. John Tankard, of Yatesville, this county, was thrown from his buggy on Saturday last by a runaway horse and badly hurt.—On Monday night the 3rd inst. the alarm of fire was given at 12 o'clock. The fire broke out on Main street in a hearse house nearly opposite St. Peter's church. There were two horses, a lot of hay and fodder and oats and about 60 barrels of corn stored in the house. The horses were the property of Mr. E. L. Scovill and the corn, &c., that of Mr. Richard Farrow. The building and contents were all consumed.

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD FOR A WEEK.

Rear Admiral Stephen P. Quackenbush died in Washington.

There is said to be great destitution in Greenville county, Va.

Wales will ask the English parliament to give that country home rule.

A vigorous fight is being made against the sale of cigarettes in Maryland.

Oscar Murphy tried to kill policeman Hennelly in New York last week.

A cloud burst at Tsit-li-Chow, in China, on Feb. 7th drowned over 100 people.

Cardinal Pecci, brother of the Pope, died at Rome on the afternoon of the 8th.

Small-pox in malignant form, has broken out in Anna, Ills. The town is quarantined.

Mrs. Oliver, a sister of the late John Bright, and a noted temperance agitator, is dead.

Mr. Henry M. Stanley has been elected a member of the Russian Geographical Society.

Col. Dudley's famous libel suit against The New York Evening Post has been dropped.

A portion of the town of Plains, Pa., has caved in. It was situated over the coal mines.

The Duke of Montpensier, who died suddenly at San Lucas, left a fortune of \$20,000,000.

The expenditures of the London Times in the Parnell case are said to already exceed \$10,000.

A cabinet maker, at New York had his head severed from his body in a furniture shop last week.

Bill Victory, of New York, defeated Frank Meyers, of Brooklyn, in a ten round prize fight.

Secretary Windom has appointed John Curtis, of Patterson, N. J., special inspector of customs at Panama.

Martin Toole was injured and a \$1,500 house was wrecked yesterday at McKeesport by a natural gas explosion.

Forepaugh's circus has been sold to an English syndicate. At this rate Barnum will soon be the original American.

John Holden, a Southerner, was fined \$20 in Jersey City for shooting at a green goods man who swindled him out of \$75.

An Atlanta man runs a dog farm near that city. During the past twelve months he has sold over \$20,000 worth of dogs.

The Rev. Robert M. Lipscomb, the oldest member of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Church, died there, aged 82 years.

The court house at Dallas, Texas, was burned a few days ago and nearly all of its contents destroyed. Loss estimated at \$80,000.

A dispatch from London states that 156 bodies have been recovered from the gas pit at Abersham. There are other dead in the mine yet.

General Mahone is living in comparative retirement in Washington. He spends a great deal of time in taking long solitary walks.

"Rain-in-the-Face," the Sioux chief, seeks a minor appointment in Dakota. It is to be hoped that he will not get into the Weather Bureau.

The Farmers' Alliance of Sangamon county, Ills., met at Springfield Tuesday and decided to boycott persons selling Chicago dressed beef.

George Lowe, of Council Bluffs, Ia., son of Judge Lowe, shot and killed John Farmer, a negro, in a drunken row at Groswood, Ia., Monday.

Benjamin Thomas, an old man desperate with disease and adversity, threw himself before an elevated train in New York and was crushed to death.

The schooner Minnehaha, with a crew of six men, from Philadelphia to New Haven, has been out twenty-one days and is believed to be lost.

Representatives of agricultural societies have held a meeting at Lemburg to provide relief for the famine sufferers in Russia, Poland and Galicia.

Judge F. M. Downs, of Fort Smith, Ark., suicided by cutting his throat Tuesday. He was a brilliant and highly educated young man. Whiskey.

Mr. Loring, the American minister to Portugal, will start from Lisbon on a leave of absence at the end of the month. He will spend his leave in Italy.

The Shah of Persia is having a geographical globe made upon which the different countries of the world will be represented by precious stones.

The French government is said to be much offended because the Czar has granted a commission in the Russian army to Prince Louis Napoleon.

The Sixth National Bank, of New York, resumed business Tuesday morning. A few depositors withdrew their accounts, but the majority expressed confidence in the re-establishment of the bank under its former management.

Joseph Pryor, a laborer at the Aspho phosphate works, near Charleston, was crushed to death one morning last week by a lump of phosphate falling on him.

The French doctors suggested warm alcoholic drinks as a good remedy for the grip, and within the next three days arrests for drunkenness in Paris rose to 1,200.

At the Central Ontario Farmers' Institute it was decided to recommend to the dominion government that wheat and wheat products be placed on the free list.

Ten men were killed and sixteen injured by an accident near Dalles, Oregon. The caboose in which the men were riding went through a bridge. No particulars.

State Senator John E. Rebyburn was nominated by the Republicans of the Fourth congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman William E. Kelley.

Doc McGuire, of Knoxville, Tennessee, last week found and rescued the body of his mother on a dissecting table of the East Tennessee Medical College. It had been stolen from the cemetery.

Ellis F. Bard, Cashier of the Lincoln, Pa. Bank, is short in his accounts to the amount of nearly \$40,000. He says that he drew the money out to help a friend who stood in need of the money.

At the christening of a Polish baby at Matshwood, Pa., Monday night a drunken carousal took place, resulting in the destruction by fire of ten buildings, in which a man and woman were cremated.

The Chinese government has just ordered a new edition of the famous encyclopedia which was originally compiled during the reign of Kien-Lung. The index alone fills twelve folio volumes.

There is prospect of bloodshed at Gen. Alger's Volunteer mines at Palmer, Mich., where 150 Finlanders on a strike are armed and confronted by a large posse of sheriff's deputies with Winchester rifles.

A man who died in the city hospital at Knoxville, Tenn., last week, confessed to be G. M. Ellerton, who, while smuggling goods from Canada, threw a revenue officer overboard from a boat and drowned him.

Joseph P. Murphy, manufacturer of cotton and woolen goods, at Fourth and Cumberland streets, Philadelphia, made an assignment Tuesday. Liabilities, \$500,000. Assets will probably pay liabilities.

The Beaver Valley Manufacturers' Association yesterday elected the following officers: President, W. W. Hartman; Vice-President, Abram Bentley; Treasurer, C. M. Merrick; Secretary, W. C. McMahon.

Judge Colt, of the United States Circuit Court at Boston, has granted the United States Government an extension of three months in which to introduce evidence in its suits against the American Bell Telephone Company.

The annual encampment of the Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic has begun at Boston. Gen. Alger, commander-in-chief, addressed the comrades in advocacy of the immediate passage of the dependent pension bill.

A masked man entered a farm house near Whiteville, N. Y., on the 8th and killed Mrs. Ransom Floyd and fatally wounded her husband and then escaped. Robbery was the object of the scoundrel, but he overlooked the money.

The New Jersey State inspector of food is continuing his raid on adulterations in Trenton. He reports that there is hardly a grocery store in that city without spurious coffee, and this stuff is retailed at 22 cents per pound.

President Van Home, of the Canadian Pacific railroad, thinks that a journey around the world will be made in thirty-eight days in a few years. This will be when the great trans-Asiatic railroad across Russia shall have been completed.

The Michigan Labor Federation met at East Saginaw Tuesday. Tom Barry, the noted K. of L. "kicker," who organized a new union, applied for admission as representative of his organization, but was refused. He was not even given a hearing.

The libel suit of Rev. Dr. Ball against The New York Evening Post was begun at Buffalo, N. Y., Tuesday. The suit grows out of charges made by Ball against Mr. Cleveland during the campaign of 1884. The authorship of the alleged libels was admitted.

St. Louis was somewhat shaken up by an earthquake shock on Monday evening. The bottles in drug stores and bar rooms were shaken together, and in some few instances broken. At the court house, the insane asylum and Alexian Brothers' hospital the shocks produced much excitement.

The American Ax Company, a new corporation of Pittsburg, is composed of a syndicate comprising all the concerns in the United States making edge tools of the character of axes, adzes, etc. The Underhill Edge Tool Company will be given control of the ax trade of the entire New England section.

It is announced from St. Petersburg that the committee authorized by the government has prepared a plan for the through Siberian railway, to be completed in ten years. The total length of the line is to be 4,375 miles, and the total cost 250,000,000 rubles.

Charles Cheate, a 17-year old boy who is employed in the wire factory at Trenton, N. J., was pierced through the body by a red-hot iron rod on the 6th inst. Before the machinery could be stopped, ten feet of the wire had been curled up in the unfortunate boy's stomach.

A train carrying Queen Victoria and her attendants was stopped in a tunnel in Derbyshire last week by a broken locomotive. Another train came rushing in but three torpedoes had been placed on the track and happily their explosion was heard and a terrible calamity averted.

Three men undertook to capture a negro burglar in a store at Camak, Ga., on the 6th. The negro shot Mr. A. S. Rogers, the owner of the store, as he ran out by him and he is said to be mortally wounded. The other two men pursued the fleeing burglar and after a desperate fight succeeded in capturing him.

Surgery has made immense strides of late years. Yesterday's Herald reports a wonderful operation performed on a girl about twelve years of age in Pittsburg, Pa. A tumor as large as a duck's egg was taken from the child's brain. The little patient is much relieved and is thought to be now sure of recovery.

At a congregational meeting of the Park Presbyterian Church, Erie, Pa., a call was extended to Rev. William Slemmer, pastor of the Mercer Church, at \$2,300 per year. Rev. Slemmer was a Chicago reporter, graduated at Princeton, was admitted to the bar and then studied for the ministry. He is an able man.

The women of Lothrop, Missouri, organized themselves into a mob of 100 "crusaders," and completely destroyed two saloons, and emptied about \$1,000 worth of liquor into the gutters. They also notified the druggists that they would be treated in a like manner if they persisted in selling liquor in defiance of the law.

Mary Hooper, aged seventeen, and Rachel Ferguson, aged eighteen, recent converts to the Baptist Church at Utica, Ind., quarreled about which should be baptized first, and blacked each other's eyes. When the minister interfered they attacked him vigorously. A large crowd was present and the baptizing wound in a row.

The imperial train of the Czar of Russia is lighted by electricity, which is furnished by a complete plant carried in a car by itself. The train consists of fifteen cars, and during 1888 it ran upwards of 5,000 miles, and the electric lights always worked. In the disaster of October, 1888, the electric car escaped uninjured. The lamps are from six to eight candle power.

It is reported from California that the Los Angeles river has changed its course at almost a right angle just south of the city limits, and after crossing the country for six miles empties into the old San Gabriel river. The inundation covers a large area. A large number of orange, walnut, lemon and other orchards are almost ruined. Growing crops in its course are completely destroyed. The total damage in the Los Angeles region is estimated at \$750,000.

Dave Ready, the white man who while drunk, took William Black, a negro prisoner, from the officers near Robbins station, tied him to a tree and shot his head off on the Tuesday after the wholesale lynching at Barnwell, has been caught. Sheriff Lancaster received a telegram from the sheriff of an Alabama county saying he had Ready, the right man, and asked him to send for him. The sheriff also got a telegram from a Florida sheriff saying he had Ready, who is wanted for the murder of Black.

AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

Bro. D. M. Dry, President of Center Point Alliance, No. 813, Iredell county, asks us to say that Bro. J. K. Abernathy, a worthy member of that Alliance, has been so unfortunate as to get one of his hands badly sawed in a cotton gin, and having a large family entirely dependent upon his labor for sustenance, they earnestly ask that every Subordinate Alliance in the State contribute a small amount from the treasury, or by individual subscription, to help him along. Such contributions can be sent to Bro. Dry, at Oak Forrest, Iredell county, N. C.

MEETING OF COUNTY ALLIANCE.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb 11, 1890.

At the request of the Executive Committee, there was a called meeting of the Wake county Farmers' Alliance, in the city of Raleigh, on Monday, February 24th, 1890, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of attending to important and pressing business connected with the work of the Alliance. Let each lodge be represented and each delegation come prepared to clear themselves on the books. Such contributions can be sent to Bro. Dry, at Oak Forrest, Iredell county, N. C.

Fraternally,
A. C. GREEN,
Pres't Wake County Alliance.