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In a lovely nook, By a murmuring brook, Whose wailets to zephyrs complain, I sat me down, Of a forest so brown, To muse on Miss Ada of Maine. And the brook sent back Up its glimmering track, The musical zephyr's refrain, Saying to me, In accents of glee, Sweet, peerless Ada of Maine. And the sun dipp'd low, In skies all aglow, With colors but gods can ordain, Portraying in light, This maiden so bright, This beautiful Ada of Maine. And this image, came down, In this forest so brown, And gracefully stood on the plain, And I rose to my feet, This fair image to greet, Of this radiant daughter of Maine. Bright image, said I, Why sent from the sky, To dwell in this wretched domain? Cold hearts to annual, And deep sorrows to heal, Said this matchless maiden from Maine. And this image I'll cherish, What'er else may perish, For deep in my heart has it lain, No time can erase it, Nor rude hand efface it, Bless Idols, Sweet Ada of Maine.

"AFTER." "There remaineth therefore a gift for the people of God,"-Heb. 4:9. After the toll and trouble there cometh a day of rest, After the weary conflict peace on the Saviour's breast, After the care and sorrow, the glory of light and love, After the wilderness journey, the Father's bright home above. After the night of darkness, the shadows all the away, After the day of sadness, hope sheds her brightest ray, After the strife and struggle, the victory is won, After the work is over, the Master's own words, "Well done." After the hours of chastening, the spirit made pure and bright, After the earth's dark shadow, clear in the light of glory, After the guiding cross, communion full and sweet, After the willing service, all laid at the Saviour's feet, After the pain and sickness, the tears are all wiped away, After the flowers are gathered, no more of earth's decay, After the deep heart-sorrow, an end of every strife, After the daily crosses, a glorious crown of life.

TO THE MAN IN THE MOON. I wonder what you do in the night, When everyone's gone to bed? It must be very lonesome, indeed, To stay there alone overhead. Don't you ever wish you could come down here, and make a noise, With us little girls and boys? It must be so still up there in the sky, With no one to make a noise, Perhaps you sometimes talk with the owl. They say he's about at night, I know he'd be frightened if I were you To stay out alone all night. You must be so tired when daylight comes, But where do you go for rest? Perhaps you lie on a soft, white cloud, 'Twould make such a cozy nest. Sometimes you are gone for many a night, I miss you, indeed I do; But of course the Chinese children want To see your jolly face, too.

What is to be Done? An attempt to assault a woman at Hickory was made Friday night. This is the third attempt of that kind made there during the last three months. So widespread and so numerous has this particularly fiendish form of total human depravity become, that the great question of the hour should be how to purge our fair land of such criminals and those who seek constantly to make themselves criminals. The purity, virtue and lives of our mothers, sisters, daughters and wives must be protected, but how is it to be done? The law metes out punishment for the offender but it does not, as being demonstrated every day all over the land, successfully deter the commission of crime. What the commission of crime. What the will is the most important question. -Wilmington Journal.

It is reported in New York that Frederick D. Underwood, general manager of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway, who began as a brakeman, will be elected president of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

SATURDAY.

Vice-President Hobart has joined President McKinley at Lake Champlain. A number of Iowa families have secured 6,000 acres of land in Shelby county, Ala. Augustus Romberg, of the First United States Artillery band, was drowned at St. Augustine, Fla. A gentleman who has been dead two months has been appointed postmaster at Wahoo, Sullivan county, Tennessee. Notices of eviction served on striking miners in West Virginia and Eastern Ohio are likely to cause great trouble. The demonstration made by the U. S. cruiser Raleigh on the coast of Morocco speedily brought the authorities to terms. The old Talbot machine shops, at Richmond, Va., have passed away after fifty years of life. The depression of the times did it. Seven firemen and two workmen were seriously burned by an explosion in the big fire at Philadelphia, mentioned in yesterday's Sun. A negro who attempted criminal assault on a white girl at Franklin, Ga., committed suicide when he found out that lynchers were after him. Three Cuban refugees, suspected of having yellow fever, were arrested yesterday on the coast of Florida, and sent to the quarantine station. Three firemen and an unknown man were killed by an explosion which took place during a fire at Chicago yesterday. The loss by fire is estimated at \$300,000. Advice received by steamer from Szechuan, China, state that the famine is still at its height and people are dying from starvation by the hundreds every day. Jim Key, a marvelously well educated horse, owned by Dr. William Key, a highly respected negro of Shelbyville, Tenn., has been sold to U. G. Duffield, of New York, for \$10,000.

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A snow storm is reported in Alaska. The Davenport, Mass., Rubber Works were burned yesterday. The loss is \$35,000. It is announced in Antwerp that the south pole exploring expedition will leave Antwerp Aug. 15. The battleship Indiana sailed for Halifax, N. S., yesterday, where she will be docked, cleaned and painted. A negro arrested for criminal assault on a young white woman at Harris, Ala., was probably lynched last night. The Reading Iron Company will start up their plant at Banville, Pa., Monday and give employment to seven hundred hands. Oscar Burton, a negro boy, 18 years old, was drowned Tuesday evening while bathing in the Catawba river, near Beattie's ford. The families of striking miners in the Pittsburg district are in a destitute condition; many have not had enough to eat for several days. Stephen Gasper cut by Andrew Swaydo at Bethlehem, Pa., lived more than twenty-four hours with a gash three-eighths of an inch long in his heart. An old man, supposed to be an Italian, was murdered in Giles county, Tenn., by White Caps. He was charged with "teaching music to negroes." Patrick Draker, of Lexington county, S. C., last night killed his wife, shooting her and cutting her throat, and fatally shot John Cain, who he found with her. Miss Pearl Morrison, of Iron Mountain, Mich., was assaulted and murdered by a white tramp. Citizens formed an organization to lynch him last night. Bishop Potter, who went to attend the conference of bishops in England, returned to New York with a dislocated shoulder, the result of being thrown from a horse.

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Dr. W. S. Black Dead. Dr. W. S. Black, a well known Methodist minister, died at his home at Littleton yesterday morning. He was presiding elder of the Littleton district. Rev. Black was 61 years old, was born at Cokesburg, S. C., entered the South Carolina Conference in 1855, and in 1870 was transferred to the North Carolina Conference. During the war he was chaplain of the Twenty-sixth North Carolina, was for six years senior editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate and for three years superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. He was twice married. His wife and three children by the first marriage survive him. Miss Maggie Brown lives near Davidson. She has been sick in bed with fever for several weeks, and is in a very weak condition. Several days ago a serious and terrible accident occurred which may cause her death. Mrs. Brown, her mother, went to change the quilt on the bed. In some way or other the quilt caught on a gun which was sitting in the corner by the bed. The gun fell, the hammer struck on a chair and the load was discharged in the girl's arm, hand and head. She had her hand up to her face at the time the gun went off. Her arm was shattered, one eye was put out and her fingers nearly shot off. Her condition is very critical. -Charlotte Observer.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

FRIDAY.

Philadelphia had a \$200,000 fire yesterday. Floods in Austria are subsiding. Eighty-five persons were drowned in Silesia. Over \$3,000,000 in gold was deposited in the San Francisco mint yesterday for coinage. More than a dozen buildings were destroyed by fire yesterday at Lewisburg, W. Va. By the eruption of Mayon, 500 people have perished and fifteen towns have been destroyed. Charles Dietz, of Philadelphia, shot and killed his sweetheart yesterday and then committed suicide. The Rome, Ga., cotton factory has a government order for 1,300,000 yards of heavy duck for small socks. At Washington, D. C., yesterday, a mad bulldog bit a colored man, a woman and a boy and was killed by the police. The strike situation at the Pittsburgh coal mines is practically unchanged; a big meeting of strikers is to be held tonight. Few appointments of presidential postmasters will be made before the President returns to Washington from his vacation. From 12,000 to 15,000 natives are now under arms in revolt against the British in India, and the rebellion is still spreading. It is believed that the plan to utilize the water power of the James river at Richmond for a great electric plant will succeed. Ed. Thomason, a negro charged with two attempts to commit criminal assault in one day, was arrested yesterday at West Point, Ga. On account of the employment of colored women, the operatives in an Atlanta factory struck yesterday and the factory had to close. Four girls were drowned in Skunk river, near Lancaster, Ia., yesterday. Three of the girls were sisters. They were caught in the current while wading. Thirty-two Americans conducted by the Bishop of Wichita, Kan., attended mass in the Pope's private chapel in Rome and were afterwards received by the Pope. It is reported that because of the neglect of the State of West Virginia to pay the militia when last in the field they cannot be relied upon to act against strikers if ordered. At Turtle Creek, last night, Rev. Wm. Hall, of the Wilberding Methodist church, addressed the strikers and gave them \$295 as a contribution from the people of his town. While asleep a mosquito crawled into the mouth of Alexander Senserling, of New York, and bit him on the inside of his upper lip, with the result that his condition is pronounced serious by a physician. A special to the Raleigh News and Observer tells of another case of rape in this State. This time it is a white man, Henry Jackson. His victim is a respectable young woman, Miss Blanche Hodges, niece of the present sheriff of Beaufort county. The Marquis de Bouthiller was crushed to death in Paris yesterday between a moving tram car and the scaffolding around the new buildings in process of construction for the Paris Exposition of 1900. The Marquis' wife was one of the victims of the terrible fire which destroyed the charity bazaar last May. Miss Elvira Fernandez, a Swedish girl, who has been working long hours in a clothes-cleaning establishment in Milwaukee, Wis., at \$5 a week, has just fallen heir to \$100,000 by the death of an aunt in Sweden. Western Pennsylvania has added 1,600 miners to the list of strikers. It is said West Virginia operators contributed \$10,000 through miners' officials to stop coal mining in Ohio and Pennsylvania. West Virginia is now the battle ground. A boiler in a saw mill at Monroe station, on the Pine City, Ark., railroad, blew up yesterday, killing Engineer Luke, a white man, and three negro laborers. Three other negroes were fatally scalded.

TOBACCO TRADE.

The Greenville Reflector, published at Greenville, N. C., says: "The Greenville tobacco market started the new season with a good break, marked by the old time break and activity. With the uncertainty of how prices would be at the opening, the busy time among the farmers, and the dry weather, not much tobacco was looked for on the first day. However, there was enough here for a lively sale of nearly three hours, there being from 5,000 to 7,000 pounds in each of the four warehouses. Prices were very much higher than at the opening a year ago and 'only satisfaction' was heard among the sellers." This is cherry and shows that there is enterprising and public spiritedness in that little eastern city. To a Salisbury man who holds the interest of the town uppermost the fact is disquieting, if a contrast is drawn between the two towns and the difference displayed by the citizens noted. Salisbury a few years ago was a tobacco town, but lost the business by neglect. Greenville continues in the business and is thriving. Salisbury is, ordinarily speaking, in as good a tobacco growing section as Greenville, and should reap the advantage of it. Portions of Rowan grow fine tobacco and Salisbury is so near Davie and Davidson that it could handle all, or nearly all, of the tobacco grown in those counties. It did handle much of it at one time, and the pity is that it was let lag and die for want of attention. The tobacco trade is one of the best trades in the country and Salisbury ought to have a share of it. There is no reason, other than a remarkable degree of indifference, why it does not have it. It was sheer folly to give up the trade, at one time well established. It is still folly to let it remain given up when it could easily be revived. The Six has called attention to this matter before and does so once more, hoping that the business people will see it to their interest to take up the tobacco trade again.

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-President McKinley cast a silver dollar in the church collection basket last Sunday. -The President has appointed A. E. Holton to be United States attorney for the western district of North Carolina. -The statement is made that North Carolina produces more sweet potatoes than any other State in this country, but no figures are given. -In a letter to a constituent Senator Cullom, of Illinois, complains bitterly of President McKinley's methods of distributing patronage. -A Chicago dispatch says that many of the principal life and accident insurance companies are refusing to assume risks upon the lives of persons contemplating a visit to the Klondyke. -Dr. John R. Moss, Republican chairman of the board of commissioners of Vance county, has been bound over to court in a bond of four hundred dollars for being out to take a bribe to issue liquor licenses. -The cotton mills strike in Atlanta, Ga., is at an end. The 1,400 employes that went out yesterday because white girls were to be placed by the side of colored women, will return to work again, the negroes having been removed. -The Philadelphia Bulletin says the tariff question will be eliminated from our politics for a decade at least. The Bulletin, however, should wait and hear what the people have to say about the tariff next year before it sheds its predictions. -The twenty-five heaviest multimillionaires in the United States, says the Jewish Messenger, are all pure blooded, thoroughbred Gentiles and churchmen. Two thirds of their number could readily buy all the wealthy Hebrews of America twice over. -At the meeting of the State central committee of the National Democrats at Columbus, Ohio, yesterday, it was decided to hold the State convention in that city on September 8th and 9th, to nominate a State ticket. The convention is expected to be a large one. -The city directory of Washington, D. C., contains forty George Washingtons, seven Martha Washingtons, and nineteen Mary Washingtons. The hearers of these names vary in color from a light gingerbread tint to an ebony black that rivals the ace of spades. -Henry A. Buckner, the negro collector of internal revenue, was inducted into office at Atlanta, Ga., last night. Buckner made a speech and asked the support of all the deputies, assuring them they should have his as long as they were in service. About ten of the deputies sent in their resignations and went out with their white chief. -It is stated that no one should try his luck in the Klondike region without a thousand dollars. The possessor of a thousand dollars having a prospect to increase it by industry and thrift at home would be very foolish to risk his money with the added chance of freezing or starving to death in the search for gold in Alaska! -At a meeting of prominent Grand Army men held in Philadelphia it was unanimously decided to extend an invitation to Pickett's division of ex-Confederate soldiers with headquarters at Richmond, Va., to attend a re-union of the blue and gray to be held in Philadelphia September 17th and 18th next. -The Washington Post quotes a prominent Maryland Democrat, who is described as a devoted personal and political friend of Senator Gorman, to the effect that the Maryland Senator will not be a candidate for re-election at the end of his present term. Senator Gorman will have served 24 years. -Another Pittsburg mines gained another success yesterday in inducing more miners to their ranks. The committees are working industriously in the houses of the miners first to enlist the sympathy of the women and then the men are more easily induced to follow. The strikers are turning their attention entirely to the diggers, knowing if they come out the other employes will be forced to follow.

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