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McKINLEY PROSPERITY.

The prosperity that Mr. McKinley and his campaigners said would follow if the administration was re-endorsed is showing itself to splendid effect by the almost daily encroachments or reaching out of the trusts. The recent purchase by the American Tobacco Company of the P. H. Hanes Tobacco Works, at Winston, is a sample of the promise. We get this idea from the fact that it is stated that the buying of this enterprise will throw out of employment a number of well-known tobacco salesmen. The Hanes Company traveled fifty-six men. It is stated, however, that a large majority of them will find employment with the new proprietors.

It is easy to see if a half dozen men are thrown out of jobs the march of prosperity is hustling along at a smart speed. This is only one instance, near home, and soon after the election, where the combine is getting in a lick. We may expect, with such progress, that by the time the administration ends everything possible will be taken in by the trusts and not a few men, but many, will be out of jobs. This, then, will be good times under Republican rule.

Servant Girls to Strike.

New York, Dec. 4.—Mrs. St. Justin Beale, who will organize a servant girls' union to-morrow, said to-day that a general strike of servant girls is threatened.

"A large number of them are ready to go out as soon as the union is formed," said Mrs. Beale.

A meeting of servants will be held to-morrow night at 45 University Place, at which Herman Robinson, general organizer for American Federation of Labor, will be the principal speaker. The new union will be called the Domestic Servants' Union.

"Girls who work for society people and hotels are badly treated," said Mrs. Beale. "Many of them have hard work and awful sleeping places. Their fare is bad and scanty. I have worked as a hotel servant girl myself as an experiment, and know what the life is."

An initiation fee of \$1 will admit a servant girl to the union, and the dues will be twenty-five cents a month.

Child, Match and Powder Keg—A Fatal Explosion.

A Jackson (Northampton County) Special, 3d, to Raleigh News and Observer, says:

A terrible explosion occurred here this evening at 6 o'clock, completely demolishing Matt T. Edwards' store and killing Edwards and his five-year-old son, Waverly. There was only one other person in the store at the time, Edwards' ten-year-old son, who escaped with slight injury.

This boy says his little brother was playing about a keg of powder just received that was on the counter, and it is supposed that the child struck a match on or about the powder. Timbers were blown hundreds of feet into the air and fell at some distance from the building destroyed.

The shock to the town was terrible. The scattered timbers were set on fire but were soon extinguished.

The Dairying Business.

In a recent speech, ex Governor Hoard, of Wisconsin, said that in his state dairying has been brought to a high state of perfection, and through it the value of lands have been considerably increased. He told of one county in Wisconsin where, prior to the introduction of dairy farming, the lands were worth only \$18 per acre for wheat growing, but which has now been raised to the value of \$61 per acre by dairy farms. In that county there are now one hundred creameries and dairy farms doing a business estimated at upwards of \$5,000,000 annually including all products; and the owners of these farms have not less than \$2,000,000 in cash on deposit in the banks.

It takes a corkscrew for some fellows to screw up their courage.

EDITORIAL SQUIBS.

—Beckham's plurality as Governor of Kentucky is officially announced as 3,689.

—The Southern Industrial Convention, at New Orleans, declared in favor of trade schools in the South.

—James C. Stowe, United States Consul General at Cape Town, predicts that the South African War will end in four months.

—President McKinley assured a delegation of Virginia Congressmen that he is opposed to reducing Southern representation.

—Senator Stewart introduced a bill in Congress creating a Philippines Supreme Court, with five judges appointed for life at \$20,000 each per annum.

—Senator Hale, of Maine, wants his party to go slow, "reduce taxation, stop extravagant expenditures and cut down appropriations." This is a voice crying in a very large wilderness, indeed.

—The wave of prosperity has struck the divorce lawyers of St. Louis. One hundred and sixty-two cases were filed on one day last week and sixty-two were granted on the same day. St. Louis isn't going to let Chicago get ahead of her if hustling will prevent it.

—The sending of 8,000 more British troops to Africa, to reinforce the 200,000 now engaged there in a war that is "ended," looks very much like the United States raising their army to 100,000 to carry on a war in the Philippines that is "over."

—A man is not necessarily bad simply because he does not think as you do. You may come to think as he does, and then you will be self-condemned. It is better to judge a man by his motive rather than by what he says and thinks. A man who governs his life by high and unselfish motives is a good man, no matter whether he is against or with you.

—Special attention is called to an article on the first page of today's SUN, in reference to keeping the sidewalks clean beside improved property where the town had them paved, the same being Sec. 142, of the ordinances of Salisbury. This ordinance, it was agreed by the aldermen, at their meeting last night, shall be enforced and citizens who will be reached by it will take notice.

—From the New York Tribune, Republican, the SUN copies the following, which is of interest to the colored people of this section: "An ingenious set of swindlers is fleecing ignorant negroes by persuading them to contribute small sums to promote an effort to prevail upon Congress to pension former slaves. The number of colored men and women who were in bondage in the Southern States at the time of Emancipation Proclamation, and who still survive, is by no means in considerable. Of course, there is no conceivable possibility that any of them will ever obtain pensions, and the trickery of the rascals who get money from them under false pretences is of a particularly despicable sort. Such fellows would steal pennies from a dead man's eyes. Hustle them off to jail."

—What Hurt the Negro.

The Ethiopian, a South Carolina paper, edited by Rev. E. W. Williams, a well-known colored man, says in a recent editorial: "The greatest blow the negro has ever received, and the one from whose damaging effects he will never recover, was given him by congressional enactments. It was the unconditional imposition of the right of franchise, for which he was in no way qualified. No government has ever done a defenceless people a greater injury. We do not consider that those states that have passed amendments to their constitutions abridging the privilege of some of the citizens in the exercise of the right of franchise, have done the negro half so great an evil as was done him by the national government when it imposed this right upon him."

—That Tennessee cyclone is said to have actually blown the hair off a man's head without injuring the scalp. And it cost him \$40 to get another wig.

NEWS OF WEEK.

THURSDAY.

Hon. Wm. Wirt Henry, grandson of Patrick Henry, and a distinguished member of the Virginia bar, died at Richmond yesterday.

An anti-English demonstration took place in front of the British Consulate at Cologne, Germany, in which city President Kruger now is.

The Irishman Casal Commission reported in favor of the Nicaragua route, which is estimated will cost \$200,540,000, and Government ownership and control.

An engine on the G and Trunk Railway near Englewood Junction, Ont., yesterday crashed into a handcar on which were five section men going to their work. All were killed instantly.

Yesterday afternoon Hon. S. Davis Stokes shot and instantly killed Rev. John W. Wohl in a street duel at Williamson, W. Va., Mr. Stokes being also dangerously injured. The cause which led to the terrible deed is not known.

The English steamer Rossgui, which has been lost off the coast of Jersey, was engaged in the service between England and St. Brieuc, France, founded last night. According to report only 11 persons out of the 40 on board were saved.

Fourteen miners in West Virginia who put up a job to blow up the boss, fixed their dynamite, and stood at the mouth of the shaft to see how the boss fared when they touched it off. They didn't measure the distance well and fourteen of them were killed.

A dispatch has been received at Manila from General Funston giving an account of a two-hour fight in the woods of Santo Domingo between an American force and 300 rebels commanded by Sandico. The American force, consisting of 30 native scouts, commanded by Lieutenant Jernigan, attacked the rebels, who retreated, leaving on the field 16 men killed, including the rebel leader Aguilar and an American negro.

FRIDAY.

Thirty-two miners who were entombed alive at Dunmore, Pa., dug their way out.

According to the official count made yesterday Bryan's plurality in Kentucky was 8,089.

Much damage was done to property and several lives were lost in gales along the Atlantic Coast.

The powers have agreed to demands to be made on China in accordance with the plan of Secretary Hay.

General Knox had another fight with General De Wet in the Orange State, and British reports say the Boers retreated.

John Bollock, under sentence of death, for the murder of Chief of Police Walsh, of Freehold, N. J., was captured near Portsmouth, Va.

Dr. Thompson, of Williamsport, Pa., and Adam Bailey, of Panther, W. Va., were shot and instantly killed Wednesday night by James H. Chambers, a prominent merchant of Panther.

In an altercation in the Holstein Woolen Mills at Salem, Va., yesterday J. P. Booth, the shipping clerk, aged 22, was stabbed and killed by Geo. Conib, aged 16. The connections of both are well known people.

Mr. Kruger arrived at The Hague from Cologne yesterday. He met with wonderful receptions everywhere. Immense crowds gathered at all the stations, the burgomasters made speeches and the school children sang. Mr. Kruger made many replies.

Popular Across the Pond.

French papers are alarmed over reports of the retirement of Secretary Hay from McKinley's cabinet. Mr. Hay has made a very good secretary of state for foreign countries.—Baltimore World.

The Castellane baby has \$385,000 worth of bric-a-brac. What a picnic that babe will have if turned loose in reach of so many things to play with.

HAPPENINGS IN THE STATE.

Interesting Items of Recent Occurrence in North Carolina.

The State of North Carolina has this year granted charters to more than 250 corporations. The most important of these are of course, cotton mills.

Ed Robinson, a white boy aged 14 years, was burned to death several nights ago at Clinton. A lighted lamp in a store was overturned on him, saturating him with burning oil.

The grand jury of Duplin court is considering the Populist libel cases separately. A true bill against George Butler for criminal libel has been returned. He will probably be tried this week. There are many witnesses.

At a recent meeting of the Winston aldermen City Engineer Magruder made a report to the effect that the city's present water supply is not equal to the demand and urged that the board take some action to relieve the situation.

At the N. C. Conference at Newbern a resolution offered by Rev. E. A. Yates, endorsing Rev. Dr. J. C. Kilgo and Messrs. W. B. Odell and B. N. Duke, and pledging them the support of Conference in the present trouble, was adopted.

The truck which was torn up by the freight train wreck near Mayodan, on the N. & W. road, has been repaired so trains can pass. The engine and four coal cars are still in the pond and the body of the negro brakeman has not been found.

Miss Florida G. Worth, of near Greensboro, principal of the high school at Wilmington, was painfully injured in a runaway. She was out driving with a physician, who left her holding the horses while he went in to see a patient. The reins from her hands jerked the reins from her hands and broke into a run. They ran seven squares at the top of their speed with scores of excited men on the route trying to stop them, brought up against a telephone pole and threw the lady out. She sustained bruises on her head and body and a severe nervous shock.

Newspapers for Warmth.

A newspaper wrapped around the body under the coat is as good as an overcoat for warmth. A few newspapers spread between the quilts of a bed will make up for a lack of bed clothing upon a cold night. No one need suffer from insufficient clothing, day or night, if a few newspapers are at hand.—Dr. Overton.

America Leads the World.

The United States are now the leading nation of the world, leading all the Christian nations, save Russia, in population, leading all in wealth, progress, resources, and enterprise. In the magnitude and growth of its external and internal commerce it exceeds them all, in the rapidity with which it puts armies in the field and navies on the seas it exceeds them all, and in the systems for the betterment of the individual citizen and the community it exceeds them all.—Wilmington Star.

When the Trouble Began.

The trouble between Mrs. and Mr. Lease began away back three years ago. She says she never loved him, but one day when it was raining he refused to let her take an umbrella which had been left in the store six months before and forgotten, and she had to go home in the rain umbrellaless. That froze him out completely. But as he isn't any more devoted to her than she is to him, he is probably glad that old umbrella was left in his shop.—Wilmington Star.

A day for toil, an hour for sport, but for a friend, a life is too short.—Emerson.

The business of the lawyers is picking up in Chicago. Within the past six weeks twenty-five persons have been killed at the railroad grade crossings.

The old woman who lived in a shoe is probably the only one who never complained of its being too large.

CHILD TORTURER IN JAIL.

Inhuman Step-Father in Danger of Mob Violence.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 6.—The Sheriff's officers, having charge of Gibson, the child torturer, outwitted the mob and landed Gibson in jail at Maysville.

Several days ago Gibson ran a red hot poker down the throat of 18-month-old step-child and then set the house on fire to cover up his crime. Gibson and his wife had quarreled on account of the child.

IMPORTANT DECREE ISSUED.

Hsiang Remains at the Head of the Chinese Army.

Pekin, Dec. 6.—In Hsiang Chang yesterday received an imperial edict announcing that General Tung Fu Hsiang had been stripped of all his honors and offices but allowed to retain command of his army and had been ordered to Kansu province with five thousand of his men. This is the most important decree yet issued.

John L. Sullivan Sewed Up.

John L. Sullivan has been ill nearly five weeks in a New York hospital, where he underwent an operation which nearly caused his death. His illness ensued upon his eating seven broiled chickens within four hours. He thus describes the operation: "They cut me open in the side, 15 inches long and 11 inches deep. No ether; no chloroform. They were afraid of my heart. Hal! They found out afterward my heart was as strong as when I was 18 years old."

"Well, they cut me open and fixed me up. As I'm told, I've got part of the skin of the tail of a kangaroo sewed into my insides, also a lot of fiddle strings. They can't say John L. isn't full of music now."

bet your last dollar on this—there are 120 stitches inside of me. They've put a lot of bandages outside to hold me together while the stitches are taking hold and keeping in place. "Then they kept me flat on my back in one position till the soles of my feet were full of pins and needles. But I wouldn't move. I stuck to the rules of the game as Dr. Bodine gave them to me. You can't kill a good man, you know."

Wonders of the World.

It is estimated that the following are the 14 great wonders of the world.—Those of the old world were:

- 1. The Egyptian pyramids, the base of the largest covering 114 acres of ground.
2. The mausoleum erected by Mausolus, the King of Caria.
3. The Temple of Diana at Ephesus.
4. The wall and hanging gardens at Babylon, said to have been 87 feet thick and six miles long.
5. The colossus of Rhodes—brass statue of Apollo 105 feet in height.
6. Statue of Jupiter Olympus at Athens, made of ivory and gold.
7. The Pharos of Ptolemy Philadelphus, a light house 500 feet high on the island of Pharos, in Egypt.

The wonders of the New World are:

- 1. The art of printing.
2. Gunpowder.
3. Optical instruments, such as the telescope and microscope.
4. Steam engine.
5. Labor-saving machinery.
6. Electric telegraph.
7. Photography.—Philadelphia Record.

Worked Over Sound.

That Thanksgiving proclamation by carpet-bag Governor Allen informing the Porto Ricans that they ought to feel grateful for the "blessings of good government" which are being thrust upon them sounds very much like a worked over copy of those used on the south some thirty odd years ago.—Atlanta Journal.

IRON WORKS BURNED.

Firemen Caught by Falling Walls and One Killed.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 5.—The Meeker Iron Works were burned early this morning. Falling walls buried several firemen.

Three men were taken out of the ruins injured and the fourth, Gottlieb Surbeck, was killed outright. The loss is heavy and many people are thrown out of employment.

Big Deal on Foot.

New York, Dec. 6.—Wall Street has a report that Vickers Sons and Maxims, of England, have instituted negotiations for the purchase of the Midvale Steel Works and Cramp Shipyards at Philadelphia. Rumor says the price of the Midvale Works is seven and a half millions.

Pope Operated Upon.

Rome, Dec. 6.—The Pope again submitted to the surgeon's knife, being operated upon for a small tumor under the arm. Dr. Mazzoni performed the operation, which was entirely successful. The Pope's condition is reported favorable.

Poor Contribution for Poor.

Paris, Dec. 6.—Boxes for the reception of offerings to the poor were placed at the beginning of the inauguration and remained till the exercises closed. It was expected that a goodly sum would be realized but when the boxes were opened yesterday it was found that they contained only fifty-eight francs and sixty centimes.

Disposed to Mediate.

Paris, Dec. 5.—The Aurora says, under reserve, that the Swiss Federal Council is disposed to offer to mediate between Great Britain and the South African Republics.

The Kentucky Men.

Constantinople, Dec. 5.—Capt. Chester, Lieutenants L. Scott and Moffet, and Ensign Palmer, of the battleship Kentucky, will remain here until after the reception Friday. Other officers of the Kentucky are expected to visit Constantinople. While at Smyrna Captain Chester exchanged visits with the Valo (Governor) and naval authorities. The Government has stopped all telegrams from Smyrna with regard to the Kentucky.

No Arbitration at Present.

The Hague, Dec. 5.—During the debate on the budget in the second chamber here to day Premier Pierson declared that he could not, at present, foresee the Psychological moment when The Netherlands would be able to propose arbitration between Great Britain and the Transvaal.

Want Eagan Retired.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Great pressure is being brought to bear upon the President by military officers to retire General Eagan.

To Accompany Roberts.

Capetown, Dec. 5.—Generals Kelly-Kenny and Hamilton will accompany Lord Roberts to England. The Loyalists are making elaborate preparations to welcome Roberts when he arrives here.

Miners Entombed.

Scranton, Dec. 5.—Fifty-one miners are entombed in a cave-in at Nayaug mine. Rescuers are working.

Czar Doing Well.

Livadia, Dec. 5.—The Czar passed the last twenty-four hours very well. Convalescent follows a generally favorable course.

The latest news from Washington is that a two-million dollar appropriation is to be made to enlarge and improve the White House. Make way for the Empire!—Raleigh News and Observer.

The sales of tickets for Sarah Bernhardt's five weeks' run in New York aggregate \$100,000 a night. Sarah gets \$1,000 a night. She says she likes this country.

THE QUEEN'S SHORT SPEECH.

Calling For Money to Meet War Expenses of Her Armies.

London, Dec. 6.—The Queen's speech read in Parliament to day was the shortest on record. She says: "My Lords Gentlemen: It having become necessary to make further provision for expenses of operations of my armies in South Africa and China, I summoned you to hold a special session in order that you may give your sanction in amendments required for this purpose. You will not enter on the discussions of other matters requiring your attention until the ordinary meeting of Parliament next spring."

A WRECK AT MAYODAN.

An Engine and Six Coal Cars Roll Down an Embankment Into a Pond.

Winston Salem, Dec. 4.—A special to the Sentinel to-day from Mayodan, near Madison, says: A bad wreck occurred one mile above here, at 5:45 this morning. The engine and six cars, loaded with coal, of the through freight from Roanoke to Winston, were derailed and the engine and four of the cars rolled down a thirty-foot embankment into the pond of the Mayodan Cotton Mill. The engine is half covered with water.

The accident occurred at a curve around the river and was caused by a rock rolling down from the hillside on the track. The engine struck this and the derailment followed.

The engineer, Mr. A. G. Spencer, stuck to his post and, strange to say, was not injured. He remained on his engine until it "struck bottom," and walked out unharmed. His fireman, H. P. Seay, came out with only a bruised knee.

Only two fingers have been found of Harvey Coleman, the colored brakeman. It is known that he is under one of the coal cars.

Engineer Spencer says that he was only running at the rate of eight miles an hour when the accident occurred. He is confident that the accident would have been far worse if he had been running faster. The track was torn up for fifty feet. A large force of hands are at work repairing the damage.

Linney Wants Position.

Congressman Linney has filed a formal application for the position of Commissioner of Internal Revenue. Senator Pritchard has endorsed him. The general impression is, however, that Collector Yerkes, of Kentucky, recently defeated for Governor, will be appointed.—Washington correspondent Charlotte Observer.

A Rich Feast.

Mr. William L. Elkins, Philadelphia's representative at the Paris Exposition, entertained his colleagues at an elaborate dinner Monday evening. The banquet was given in honor of the return of the commission to this country. That it was a feast worthy of Lucullus in his best estate is shown by the following statement of its cost, which we clip from the Philadelphia North American:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include 600 dozen pink carnations (\$900), 400 strings of asparagus vines (600), 30 dozen bridesmaids' roses (100), 100 pink hydrangeas (100), 100 orchids (100), Decorations of centre table (300), Mural decorations of banquet-hall (200), 10 quart bottles Chateau Yquen (100), 15 quart bottles champagne (120), 6 quart bottles Madeira (60), 5 quart bottles Romanee Conti (75), 5 quart bottles Porto Rouge (60), Liqueurs (50), 36 dinners (750), Engraving cards (110).

Grand total \$3,600. There were exactly 36 guests, so that the average cost of the dinner per head was \$100.

Correct.

The man that brags about himself the most is not the best man, nor is the loudest talking fellow the smartest. They do say that an empty wagon makes more noise than a loaded one.—Lexington Dispatch.

ELECTORS OF THE STATE MEET.

But Will Have to Meet Again—Mr. Overman Chairman.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says: The electors for North Carolina met here at noon to-day, in Governor Russell's office and elected Lee S. Overman chairman and Charles L. Abernethy secretary. The laws of the State and the nation conflict as to the electors' meetings. A State law, enacted last year, provides that the electors should meet the first Tuesday in December. The object of this was to fill vacancies in case there were any and take that matter out of the Governor's hands. The act of 1899 also provided that the electors should meet to-morrow to cast the vote, after having been commissioned to-day by the Governor. But they cannot cast the vote then, as an act of Congress of 1896-97 provides that the Legislature of a State shall fix the meeting place of the electors but that the time of meeting is to be the first Monday in January. The Legislature undertook to fix both time and place.

The following presidential electors were present to-day: D. H. McLean, Lee S. Overman, C. L. Abernethy, B. C. Breckwith, W. A. Guthrie, J. R. Blair, W. S. Pearson, and John M. Campbell. T. C. Wooten and H. L. Cook arrived this afternoon. W. C. Dowd is expected to-morrow. Messrs. Overman, Breckwith and Abernethy were appointed to arrange a programme when the vote is cast. B. C. Breckwith is to carry the return of the vote to Washington.

Eagan Restored and Retired.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Brigadier General Chas. P. Eagan, commissary general of subsistence, who has been under suspension since February 9, 1899, by sentence of court-martial, for alleged intemperate and abusive language in connection with the army investigation, was to-day restored to duty and immediately afterward was placed on the retired list of the army.

The War Ended.

Gen. MacArthur says that 70,000 men will be needed to bring peace in the Philippines. Mr. McKinley thinks from 45,000 to 60,000 will be enough. And yet Mr. McKinley solemnly in the same message tells us that the war in the Philippines ended last spring.—Raleigh News-Observer.

Kruger to Holland.

Cologne, Dec. 6.—Kruger started for Holland on a special train this morning.

Towne Goes to the Senate.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 6.—Former Congressman Charles A. Towne received from Governor Lind, late this afternoon, the official documents which entitle him to a seat in the United States Senate until the State Legislature, which meets in January, can elect a successor to serve the rest of the unexpired term of the late Cushman K. Davis.

An old woman named Jenkins recently resided near Brownsville, Tenn., who raised a good deal of poultry for sale. She set a hen on a dozen eggs and in a few days went to see how Birdy was getting along, when she found a large snake in the nest. Mrs. Jenkins did not flee in affright, as might be supposed, but, undismayed, she dispatched the serpent with a stick and out of it secured the stolen eggs, which she sold to a country grocery.

The average woman would a lot rather have her husband lose a thousand dollars in his business than to have a picture glass fall off the wall.—Philadelphia Press.

Many a man who gives up his money freely for foolish whims disputes the price of necessities.

"The Tongue of Liberty" is the title of a late novel. Of course the heroine is a married woman.

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