

BECOMING SERIOUS.

Turkish Intrigue in the Balkans Causing Much Apprehension.

The situation throughout the Balkans causes serious apprehensions here, but the French foreign officer says the conditions are not regarded as being critical and are considered to be largely due to Turkish intrigue. It has been the desire and the expectation of France and the other powers, acting jointly, that the Sultan adopt vigorous measures to put down the Albanian uprising. The powers received strong assurances that this would be done, but the recent dynamite outrages at Salonica and the conflicts between Turkish troops and Bulgarian bands at other points have diverted the Sultan's attention in another direction and have permitted a postponement of steps looking to carrying out the powers' wishes regarding Albania. Official advices show that Turkey is threatening to adopt radical, disciplinary measures against Bulgaria, but the authorities here are fully satisfied with the correctness of Bulgaria's position, and it is asserted that there is reason to believe that the powers will not permit the carrying out of a radical Turkish policy against Bulgaria. In the meantime it is the intention of the government here to send a French naval division to Salonica as a measure of precaution and in order to be prepared for a possible spread of the disorder.—Paris dispatch.

A Plot to Kill Marcum.

Lexington, Ky., May 7.—A messenger who left the interior of Breathitt county at dawn Monday, to bear a warning to Attorney J. B. Marcum that a plot to kill him had been formed the night before, reached Jackson a few minutes after an assassin's bullet had crashed through Marcum's brain and heart as he was standing in the court house door. During Sunday night, Edward Strong, a friend of Marcum's, was informed that a conspiracy had been entered into at a meeting of several desperate men at a blind tiger three miles from Jackson, to assassinate Marcum Monday. At daylight he sent a messenger to convey the information to the attorney, who lay dead when he arrived. This statement was made by Mrs. Marcum in an interview today.

If the meeting at the blind tiger Sunday night told of by the widow can be successfully proved, the assassin and the plotters may yet be known. Any investigation must be strictly within legal lines and it may be impossible, even then to make people feel secure in telling what they know. A newspaper man from Jackson says:

"The town may be compared to a man sitting on a barrel of powder in a shower of sparks. When the explosion will come no one knows, but I believe it is inevitable. At least three men know who assassinated James Marcum and though they are silent it is believed their doom is sealed. Such knowledge in Breathitt county means death or exile. There are also others left who know who assassinated Jim Cockrell, and they will not be overlooked. If these people remain or there is a possibility of a rigid investigation by the law, I believe they will be put out of the way at an early day."

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DOCTOR KILLS NEGRO.

A Physician Committed to Jail on the Charge of Murder.

Newton, N. C., May 6.—Dr. W. S. Davidson, a prominent physician and surgeon of this place, shot and instantly killed a negro, Dan McNeely, here yesterday afternoon. There were no witnesses to the shooting, but the facts as near as they can be ascertained are as follows:

McNeely was a servant at Mrs. Trott's, where Dr. Davidson boarded. Several days ago there had been trouble between Davidson and the negro, and the latter had threatened to whip Dr. Davidson or kill him. Late yesterday evening the trouble was renewed, when the negro started for Dr. Davidson with an axe. Dr. Davidson drew a revolver and shot the negro twice, killing him instantly.

The coroner's inquest was held here yesterday evening and Dr. Davidson was committed to jail without bail.

Lord Drove a Charlotte Hack.

News just received from London says: Lord Lyveden, who is to bring over a party of Parliamentarians this fall and show them the United States and Canada, is big and tall and vigorous and only 45. He has been a soldier, a sailor, a waiter on the Bowery, and hackman, a ship's steward, an actor and a nurseryman. Lyveden was a clergyman's son. As Percy Vernon he enlisted in the artillery, but bought himself out and joined the Bancroft's Haymarket Company in London for a time. Twenty years ago he went to New York with \$16 capital and became a Bowery waiter.

Presently he turned up in Charlotte, N. C., without money. "Like a fool," he says, "I went to the best hotel and stayed three days. I had no money and was turned out, but as I was leaving the door a clerk pressed 50 cents into my hand saying, I guess you'll want a bed tonight, old man." I lodged over a stable and in the morning got work driving a carriage. Eventually the hotel keeper became my partner and best friend."

In 1885 Lord Lyveden was in Charleston, where he had a part interest in a fishing boat which was lost at sea the day of the big earthquake. In 1890 Mr. Vernon returned to England, married and later succeeded to the title by the death of several relatives.—New York dispatch.

Women and Money.

If you would have your women folks economical, let them handle money and learn to respect its value. There may be women who have not sufficient womanliness to honor the confidence this trust implies, but they are exceptions. If such be your daughters, it is your business to teach them otherwise. If they be your wives, it is your own fault for having married them. When a father gives his son an allowance, he should do the same for his daughter, not as a matter of material favor, for the daughter's bills might double the son's allowance, but as a matter of discipline, of financial experience and education.—Collier's.

From a Cat Scratch

on the arm, to the worst sort of a burn, sore or boil, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a quick cure. In buying Witch Hazel Salve, be particular to get De Witt's—this is the salve that heals without leaving a scar. A specific for blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles. Sold by James Plummer.

SLAVES IN CONVICT CAMP.

Georgia Grand Jury Uncovers Some very Sensational Matters.

Revelations made to the Ware county grand jury in regard to horrors of the Georgia convict camps reached Governor Terrell today.

Hon. Edward McRae, one of the leading members of the Georgia legislature, is involved by the findings of the grand jury.

According to the report, McRae and his brother operate an extensive camp in Lowndes county. Witnesses before the grand jury testified that in the McRae camp the brutalities practiced are too revolting to describe. For the slightest offence, it is alleged, the prisoners are stripped and chained and unmercifully lashed by the whipping bosses. It is also alleged that the McRae brothers go into the counties adjoining Lowndes, pay the fines of misdemeanor convicts, carry such convicts to their Ware county camp and keep them in servitude long after the terms for which they were sentenced have expired.

The grand jury claims that at least twenty citizens of Ware county are held as slaves in McRae's camp, although their terms expired over a year ago. The report goes on to describe how these men are kept in stockades, about which armed guards march in order to prevent their escape, and also mentions that men, thus illegally detained, who escaped from the stockade, have been chased by bloodhounds and recaptured.

The grand jury calls on the State authorities to investigate the camp, release the men held as slaves, and to prosecute the McRae brothers. It is presumed that Governor Terrell will immediately order an investigation.—Atlanta special to Washington Post.

Lutheran Preacher Deposed.

Rev. Paul L. Johnson was dismissed from the pastorate of St. Matthew's Lutheran church here today, because of his declaration made from the pulpit that he has received some new revelations on the Bible, particularly with regard to the baptism of the Holy Ghost and to faith in Christ. The doctrine which he preached to the congregation last Sunday, for the first time, is that by earnest and long praying one may receive a baptism of the Holy Ghost and that after that he can heal diseases and perform other miracles by the aid of faith. He startled his people by declaring that he had by faith cured himself of a certain throat trouble, with which he had been afflicted.

Suddenly the trouble returned while he was preaching and he was scarcely able to speak. He asked his people to pray with him as "the devil was trying to overcome him," and after ten minutes he announced a victory over the devil and his voice returned with its former power.—Columbus, Ohio, dispatch.

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HE DIED ALONE.

The Remains of John Scott Partly Decomposed When Found.

John Scott, a white man about 45 years old, was found dead in a bed over the store of J. L. Dickinson in this city this afternoon. Scott lived about two miles from the city. He came to town Saturday morning and stopped at the store of Dickinson, with whom he was well acquainted. After remaining at the store for some time he asked Dickinson for a key to his room up stairs, saying he was unwell and wished to lie down for awhile. He was given the key and Dickinson thought nothing more of the matter until today when he had occasion to go up stairs. He found Scott dead in his bed and in a state of decomposition.

J. M. Scott, the father of the dead man, came to town looking after his son. Nothing strange was thought of his absence from home as he often stayed away for a week on a spree. It is thought he was drinking Saturday and must have died that evening or during the night—Goldsboro special to Raleigh Post.

Married the Whole Family.

A Tennessee man, named John Newberry, who lives about forty miles from Tullahoma, has married a whole family, says the Bluefield Telegraph.

About thirty-five years ago he married the widow, Sallie Barron, who was then the mother of three daughters—Judy, Martha and Patsy. Four years after the marriage his wife died leaving a son by Newberry. After waiting about one year he married Judy, the oldest daughter of his deceased wife. In two years Judy followed her mother to the grave, leaving a girl baby. Again waiting a reasonable time to mourn, Newberry took unto himself Martha to wife, who after living a number of years, followed sister and mother to the grave. So the marriage last week of Newberry and Patsy absorbs the whole family.

Some Curious Examples.

You never heard of a wild animal that had rheumatism until it reached captivity and was kept off the earth. You never heard of a horse that had rheumatism until it was shod with iron and kept off the earth. You never heard of a dog that had rheumatism until it became a household pet and was pampered—kept off the earth. The heathens of Africa and the Pacific Islands never had rheumatism, so far as we know, until they got to wearing sandals or shoes. I once knew a fool man who, whenever he got sick, would dig a trench in his garden, lie in it and have his wife cover him with fresh earth as far up as his chin. He would remain there for an hour or two, and then get up in fine spirits. Mother earth! The contact! It looked like the resurrection—and it was. Let all the boys go barefooted.—New York Press.

Memphis Physician Commits Suicide.

Memphis, May 6.—Dr. S. H. Rice a prominent young physician of this city committed suicide today at his home on Poplar street by shooting himself through the roof of the mouth with a .38 calibre revolver. No motive for the act is known. Dr. Rice enjoyed a large practice. He was popular in both professional and social circles. Dr. Rice's mother and sister have been summoned from the Gulf coast where they are sojourning at one of the fashionable resorts.

COOL FOR CROPS.

Growth During the Past Week Has Been Slow.—Too Dry in Places.

Washington, May 5.—The report of the weather bureau on crop conditions for the past week says:

The week was unseasonably cool over much the greater part of the country, the minimum temperatures April 8 and May 1 and 2 being the lowest recorded in the last week of April and the first week of May for the past thirty years at nearly all weather bureau stations from the central and western Gulf coasts to the upper Missouri valley, and also at a number of stations in the central Mississippi and Ohio valleys, lake region and New England.

The early planted corn was extensively killed by the freeze during the latter part of the week in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas, and the crop has suffered from cold weather throughout the southern states. Preparations for planting have progressed favorably in the Ohio valley and Middle Atlantic states. The present season to date has been very unfavorable for corn, planting being greatly delayed.

Winter wheat appears to have escaped material injury during the recent freeze over the western portion of the winter wheat belt, and the general outlook for this crop continues very promising.

Early planted corn on low lands in northern Texas and Oklahoma was killed by the freeze of April 30 and May 1, and throughout the cotton belt low temperatures have proved seriously detrimental in retarding the growth, while drought continues in northern Texas and in the central gulf states. Poor stands are generally reported. In the eastern districts planting has been vigorously pushed and is nearing completion.

Transplanting tobacco has begun in Tennessee, but none has yet been planted farther northward. Plants continue plentiful. Nearly all fruits have suffered further damage from frosts and lower temperatures.

The reports, indicate that the grass crop is very backward.

Bargain Rush Fatal to Woman.

Paragaphers in the newspapers have often poked fun at the ferocity with which women storm the bargain counters while on shopping forays, but the matter is no joke for Mrs. Frank Tuller, wife of a member of the great drug firm of Fuller & Fuller, who is believed to be dying from a blow received from another woman while struggling at a bargain counter. She submitted to an operation in the hope of obtaining relief, but has been steadily sinking and her relatives entertain scant hope of her recovery.

Any one who has engaged in the fierce rush for elevators or bargain tables in Chicago stores will agree that the ordinary football game is a tame affair compared with it.—Chicago dispatch.

Disastrous Wrecks.

Carelessness is responsible for many a railway wreck and the same causes are making human wrecks of sufferers from Throat and Lung troubles. But since the advent of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, even the worst cases can be cured, and hopeless resignation is no longer necessary. Mrs. Lois Cragg, of Dorchester, Mass., is one of the many whose life was saved by Dr. King's New Discovery. This great remedy is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by all druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free. For sale by all druggists.

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