

PRESS MUZZLER.

Governor Pennypacker Gives His Approval to the New Libel Law.

Governor Pennypacker late this afternoon signed the Grady-Salus bill, known, as the "press muzzler." He gives his reason for approving the bill in a long statement which is in the nature of an apology. He says:

"The questions raised by this bill are of grave importance. They affect large business interests, the freedom of speech and the press, the right of the citizen to be informed concerning current affairs and the conduct of government, as well as his right to protect his reputation and home from the injuries that result from carelessness or negligence, as well as malicious false reports. They are of importance for the further reason that, whichever way decided, the fact that they are raised indicates widespread dissatisfaction with existing conditions, and their correct decision is likely to have an effect within and without the commonwealth."

The governor says the bill will not interfere with legitimate journalism, but he scores yellow journalism. He says the measure subjects all preliminary inquiries as to facts and their subsequent publication to the test of care. There is no interference with "privileged communications."

The bill is sweeping in character and requires the utmost care in publication of news items. It prohibits cartoons, makes it necessary for all proprietors, managers and editors to print their names at the top of the editorial column, and fixes the liability at from \$500 to \$1,000 fine. It includes all newspapers published in Pennsylvania.—Harrisburg Pa., dispatch.

"Under the Southern Cross."

Mrs. Tiernan, of Salisbury, well known as Christian Reid, novelist, whose "Land of the Sky" made the Western North Carolina mountains famous and popular as the tourists' resort, has granted permission to the Cornelian Literary Society of our State Normal College to present in Greensboro her drama "Under the Southern Cross," which has been received so favorably in the cities of the State and elsewhere.

The Guilford Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy will unite with the Cornelian Society of the Normal in giving the opportunity to witness this drama next Friday evening, May 22nd.—Greensboro Record.

Had Enough of Railroad Riding.

Among the passengers on the passenger train which suffered from a "side-wipe" wreck Saturday was a white woman who lives fourteen miles from Greensboro. After things quieted down she walked off the train and proceeded to Greensboro. The conductor told her it was four miles to the city. She said that made no difference, she preferred walking. Later she was heard to confide to a friend that it was her third and last time on a train. That she never did think much of railroad riding any way. Although fourteen miles from home and without a conveyance, she took her chances of getting home some other way than riding on a train.—Greensboro Telegram.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

VOLCANO PLAYED HAVOC.

The Coffee Plantations In Guatamala Are Buried Under Ashes.

News brought here from Guatamala by people who have seen the ruin wrought by the recent eruption of Santa Maria volcano confirm all previous reports. The situation could hardly be foreseen.

"All the coffee plantations in the vicinity of the volcano," says Manuel Hurtado, just arrived from Guatamala, have been destroyed for all time. Ashes from ten to fifteen feet deep cover the country. In the neighborhood of the volcano ashes are so deep that only some of the tops of tall trees can be seen. Scoria and ashes cover 1,000 square miles and at a depth of 7 to 15 feet, and five thousand square miles to a depth of from one to five feet. One third of the entire coffee crop has been destroyed.—Mexico City dispatch.

Big Wheat Crop In Kansas.

Reports from all sections of the Kansas wheat belt are most encouraging. The State will this year harvest the biggest crop in its history. Everywhere the soil is full of water and the weather has been cool and especially adapted to growth. During the last three days more than one inch of rain has fallen over the entire wheat belt, and reports from farmers and grain men agree that the total crop this year will reach 90,000,000 bushels. This will exceed by 21,000,000 bushels the yield of any other year in the State's history.—Topeka, Kan., dispatch.

The Request Should Have Been Granted.

The following, taken from an exchange, is given as a verbatim copy of a letter recently addressed to Judge Neal by a man under indictment for retailing:

"As I am charged with Retailing I wish to say that I had bin afflicted with chronic Rheumatism for moer then 4 years and hav bin advised to use whiskey with Erbs and minrel and in february of last year i sent my keg 20 miles and bought 5 gallons whiskey and when i got it the nabors was sick or got sick rite strat. i divided my whiskey with the sick til it was gon gan i sent my keg back 3 or 4 times til up in the summer when I quit keeping Eny for my own use as it semed to create sickness in the naborhood. And as I had been gittin wors all the time for 4 years until now when I am confined to my bed and chair and hav but little hope of Ever gittin any better i herein beg the Hoer of the the Cort to discontinue the case. i hav no money nethar had i Eny property to get Eny mouny out of i hav not been able to do Eny work in over 3 years therefore i think it best for the county, Yore informent aught to pay the cost as he is thought to be A man who has made and sold Hundreds of gallans unlawful.

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MILLS MAY STOP.

The High Price of Cotton is Becoming a Very Serious Matter.

Owing to the high prices of raw material some of the cotton mills in this city and vicinity, employing many thousands of operatives may shut down. The cotton manufacturers say one of three things must happen, the price of the raw material must decline, the manufactured article must rise, or the mills must close. At the present quotations it is claimed that goods can be made only at a loss. Some of the concerns are fortunate enough to have a goodly supply of raw stock on hand, purchased some time ago at a reasonable figure, but even in such cases it is said that this can be sold to greater advantage as it is than manufactured into cloth or yarn. The local mills are said to have, as a rule, a better supply than those in many other sections, but of course do not propose to run at a loss.

The present stringency is due to a corner in the cotton market by New York capitalists and not on account of last season's crop, which was unusually large. A prominent Utica cotton goods manufacturer stated this afternoon that while eastern mills could endure the prevailing high rates for any length of time, the local concerns were fairly well stocked. The situation seems to be as uncertain to the local manufacturers as it is to the public.—Utica N. Y., dispatch.

Kicking On the Beer.

There seems to be impatience where and in what quantities do not appear. Yesterday the state chemist, Dr. B. W. Kilgore gave out the statement that a citizen had brought a bottle of beer to the laboratory and asked that it be analyzed, stating at the same time that quantities of this beer had drank by a number of people who had afterwards suffered from sick stomach and indigestion and it was suspected that the sickness was caused by the beer which was bottled and on sale in Raleigh.

A careful analysis of the beer revealed the fact that it was heavily charged with preservatives, especially formalin and salicylic acid, both of which in such quantities as were found in the beer would effect the system much as the parties who drank the beer had been effected.

The state chemist would not give the name of the parties at whose request the beer was analyzed or what brand it was, the only clue given being that it was bottled in Raleigh and on sale here.—Raleigh Post.

Couldn't Stand to be Jilted.

Paris, May 15.—Jilted, for the second time within a few months, Mme. Amma Calve, the famous prima donna, is suffering from acconite poisoning. Her condition is said to be grave. Only her physicians are admitted to her apartments to-day, and they refuse to discuss her condition.

The X Rays.

Recent experiments, by practical tests and examination with the aid of the X Rays, establish it as a fact that Catarrh of the Stomach is not a disease of itself, but that it results from repeated attacks of indigestion. "How Can I Cure My Indigestion?" Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is curing thousands. It will cure you of indigestion and dyspepsia, and prevent or cure Catarrh of the Stomach. Kodol digests what you eat—makes the stomach sweet. Sold by Jas. Plummer.

EATING CROW.

The Alabama Republicans Receive the Colored Brother Again.

The state Republican executive committee met here today, pursuant to a call by Chairman Wellman, and resolutions were adopted practically nullifying the action taken at the state convention here last September when it was decided practically that no negroes could participate in the councils of the party in the state. The resolutions provide that all qualified electors under the state constitution, who promise to support the Republican ticket and will abide by the party bidding, will be allowed to participate in all conventions. There are several thousand qualified colored voters in Alabama.

This decision has been carried by the Roosevelt administration. It was the cause of much contention in this state. A resolution was adopted endorsing Roosevelt's administration.—Birmingham, Ala., dispatch.

Industrial Education Now The Fad.

It is interesting to see how many professions and occupations are represented by the students in the Agricultural and Mechanical College. Industrial education seems to appeal to all classes of people. Lawyers and doctors, merchants and manufacturers, bookkeepers and salesmen wish their sons taught some skilled labor, as well as carpenters and contractors, mechanics and engineers. Of the families that patronize the Agricultural and Mechanical College a majority are engaged in some industry, next most numerous are the merchants. There are 258 farmers, 49 merchants, 20 manufacturers, 20 salesmen, 17 doctors, 15 lawyers, 14 carpenters and contractors, 13 machinists, 12 cotton manufacturers, 10 bookkeepers, 10 insurance agents, 9 engineers and lumber dealers. In all 82 trades, occupations and professions are represented by the students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. North Carolina is rapidly becoming a great industrial State.—Raleigh dispatch.

Labor Conditions at Omaha Serious.

Omaha, 15.—Labor conditions here have become serious during the past twenty-four hours, and there is a feeling of anxiety over what might occur. There has been a number of small riots all over the city. Fifty deputy sheriffs patrol the streets. Four men were hurt in a demonstration of the strikers, who insist that the non-unionists not be employed.

Negro Appointed Consul.

President Roosevelt has appointed C. H. Payne, of Huntington, W. Va., a negro Republican politician in that state, to be U. S. consul at St. Thomas, Danish West Indies. He will succeed a negro who was appointed by the late President McKinley in 1897.

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.

EXCITING SCENES.

Shorts are Frantic and if the Boom Lasts Several Failures Will Result.

New York, May 14.—Exciting scenes were again the order on the floor of the cotton exchange to-day. Frantic shorts were in evidence, rushing about wildly in an effort to cover. There were rumors today that if the boom continued several failures might result.

While the opening Liverpool cables were not so strong as was expected, prices in the market of that city quickly advanced and before the local market started were 11 points above last night on near positions.

Liverpool's strength was reflected here in a higher opening, though late months were irregular, owing to wet weather. After call July and August met heavy realizing sales under which they declared being also affected by a slight reaction in new crop months at Liverpool. July rose 21 points in New Orleans and August, 20 points.

Odd Fellows At Sea.

The grand lodge of Odd Fellows held its final session to-night and adjourned to meet next year at Durham. Today the visitors were guests of the entertainment committee on a trip down the Cape Fear river and out to sea a few miles, the steamer Wilmington having been chartered for the day. The day was delightful on the water. Stops were made at all points of interest. Especially pleasant and instructive was the visit to the government fortification at Fort Caswell. The fort was throughly inspected, and the two companies gave an exhibition of artillery drill.

The entire day was given over to pleasure. One representative from Watanga county had never seen a boat before. Tonight the grand lodge met in closing session and finished the remaining business and received the last reports from committees.—Wilmington N. C. dispatch.

Not a Sick day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved, and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Liver and Kidney troubles and General Debility." This is what B. F. Bass, of Fremont, N. C. writes. Only 50c, at all Druggists.

Caught in a Belt And Killed.

Salem, Mass., May 15.—The machinery of the Salem tannery of the American Hide and Leather Company stopped suddenly shortly after work began this morning. Investigation proved that Charles Nordine, a workman, had been caught in a belt and killed.

The Wastes of the Body.

Every seven days the blood, muscles and bones of a man of average size loses two pounds of wornout tissue. This waste cannot be replenished and the health and strength kept up without perfect digestion. When the stomach and digestive organs fail to perform their functions, the strength lets down, health gives way, and disease sets up. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure enable the stomach and digestive organs to digest and assimilate all of the wholesome food that may be eaten into the kind of blood that rebuilds the tissues and protects the health and strength of the mind and body. Kodol cures Indigestion, Dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. It is an ideal spring tonic. Sold by James Plummer.

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2 bottles good ink 5c. Rubber tip lead pencils 1, 2 1/2 and 4c.

Good steel pens, any kind including vertical, 5c a dozen. Pen holders, swell shape, 1, 2, and 5c.

Pins 1, 2, and 5c per paper. Thimbles 1, 3, 4 and 5c. Good, large combs 5 and 10c. Picture frames and mirrors, 5, 10, and 15c.

Perfume, good quality, 5, 10, and 15c.

Scissors 2, 5, 10, and 25c. Flue stops ornamented, 5c. School bags 10c.

Slate pencils-soapstone, 5 for 1c. Umbrella rib protectors—save your umbrella, 4c.

Whisk brooms 10c. 1 qt coffee pot 10c. 3 qt. " " 12c. 10 qt. dish pan 10c. 2 qt. milk cup 5c. 6 qt. bucket 10c. Ice shavers 5c.

Large gold hand waiter or tray 10c. Machine oiler-pump bottom 8c. Table knives & forks 40, 60, 80 & 90c set.

Tea & Table spoons 3, 6, 13 & 25c set. Pocket knives 5, 10, 15 & 25c. Pad locks 5, 10, 15 & 25c. 3 piece bread knife sets 15c. Coffee pot knobs 1c. Steel gimlets 2 for 5c. Clothes wires 9c. Clothes pins 8c doz. 2 boxes tooth picks 5c. Kitchen side lamps complete 20c.

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