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### BYRD TALKS PLAINLY.

#### Prosecuting Attorney Scores the Feudists of Breathitt County, Ky.

Jackson, Ky., June 18.—When court convened today B. B. Golden concluded for the defense and Commonwealth's Attorney Byrd made his argument.

Byrd has purchased a home in Winchester, Ky., and is preparing to remove his family to that place as soon as these cases are over. Byrd spoke of how Ewen had to be protected by soldiers, fearing that he would be killed if he ventured from his home unless protected.

The defense objected frequently to his statements, and in some instances was sustained and the prosecution reprimanded by the judge.

Byrd asked the jury to be willing, if necessary, to make the same sacrifices for justice that Captain Ewan had made. Raising his hand and shaking it in a threatening manner toward the two prominent men who sat in court, he said: "I want to give warning to you and all of your followers that your bloodthirsty deeds must stop in Breathitt county. I leave this county and its people. God knows they have suffered enough. God knows the day has got to come when the arch assassins, the men who are the controlling power behind the Jett and Whites, will be exposed to the world and either sent to prison or to the noose."

With clenched fists and shaking with emotion, Byrd walked toward the jury and said: "Gentles Jett and White, and you must answer to the bar of public opinion as well as to the bar of Breathitt county. You have got to do your duty or be pilloried by public opinion."

### Whites Beat Negroes.

When the inter-urban car from Evansville to Howells reached the latter place last night and found to be in charge of a negro conductor, a dozen citizens boarded the car and gave him an unmerciful beating and then ordered him not to attempt to run a car into the town again. The beating of the negro caused great excitement. Citizens patrolled the streets, declaring war on the colored race. Near midnight three other negroes were found hidden in the railroad yards and they were set upon by an excited crowd and all of them were more or less injured with stones and sticks in the hands of the whites.—Indianapolis, Ind., dispatch.

### An Attempt to Massacre Jews.

Berlin, June 18.—The Tagelblatt today reports that the populace of Novogrodseverst, province of Tschernigov, incited by the anti-semitic report that the Czar has ordered the extermination of the Jews, recently prepared to massacre the entire ghetto. Five thousand Jews took refuge in the synagogues and remained several days. Prince Gozlimm, a local potentate, pacified the mob and averted a massacre by proclaiming himself a friend of the Jews.

### A Serious Mistake.

E. C. DeWitt & Co. is the name of the firm who make the genuine Witch Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the Witch Hazel Salve that heals without leaving a scar. It is a serious mistake to use any other. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, burns, bruises, eczema and all skin diseases. Sold by James Plummer.

### BLEW OUT HIS BRAINS.

#### South Carolina Farmer ends his Existence With a Shot Gun.

Columbia, S. C., June 18.—A pitiful story comes from Belton, Anderson county. Preston B. Mitchell, whose mind has been unbalanced for several years and who has spent several months in the Hospital for the Insane at different times during the past four years, disappeared from his home last Monday and no trace was found of him till yesterday, when his body was found about 200 yards from his house with the top of his head blown off, and an empty shot gun by his side with a string tied to the trigger and fastened to a bush.

On Monday, just after dinner, he walked out and remarked to his wife that he was going to the bottom to see his corn. Later in the afternoon she began to grow alarmed at his long absence and notified the hands about the farm, who began a search for him, and failing to find him, the alarm was given in the neighborhood and a more thorough search was instituted, which resulted in the finding of his dead body near his home.—Special to Charlotte News.

### The Furnace Blew Up.

Wilmington, N. C., June 18.—John H. McDougall, head moulder at the Wilmington iron works, was seriously, if not fatally injured by the explosion of a brass furnace this morning. One shoulder was dislocated, leg broken, and his head, arms, chest and back notched. He was sent to the hospital. The chances for recovery are against him.

McDougall was lifting a kettle of molten brass from the furnace when he slipped and fell, emptying the melted metal into a tank of cold water beneath the furnace. This caused an explosion.

McDougall was hurled up in the air and the top of the building was torn off. The furnace was wrecked. Three other men who were working around the furnace saw the kettle falling and made a dash for the door, barely escaping.—Special to Raleigh Post.

### EXPLOSION AT ARSENAL.

#### Workmen in Shell Room of Lyddite Factory Blown to Pieces.

London, June 18.—The government lyddite factory at Woolwich arsenal was blown up at 9 o'clock this morning. The building was entirely wrecked. Fourteen workmen were killed and 20 injured, many of them fatally.

The explosion was caused by the loading of a shell. All the men in the shell room were blown to pieces. The wreck caused by the explosion was so complete that a fire which started in the ruins, made little headway and was soon extinguished. Relatives of the workmen besieged the gates imploring news of them.

### Fight Will be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beal, Miss, has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her. Guaranteed by all Druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00 Trial bottle free.

Job Printing of all kinds promptly and neatly executed at this office.

### TRIAL TO GO ON.

#### Judge Shaw Thinks There is not Sufficient Reason for Continuance.

According to the expectation of the majority of those who heard the affidavits in the Jones murder case yesterday, Judge Shaw rendered a decision this morning that sufficient evidence for a continuance had not been brought out. In giving out this decision he said in part while there had not been enough evidence brought out to show the existence of a state of public stirred up by the city papers and by the discussion of the case on the streets, and if at any time during the trial of this case it came to the knowledge of the court that there was any outside influence bearing on the trial it would be continued until the September term. It was the desire of the judge that all except counsel on either side cease to discuss the case, so that the defendants would have a fair and impartial trial, and unless this was done the case would not be tried.

Solicitor Daniels then stated to the court that a separate bill of indictment for murder in the first degree had been drawn against five of the defendants, namely, Allen, Rich, Morgan, Whitty and Ward.

Mr. Pou, for the defense, asked the court that the counsel for the defendants be informed on what charge would the other six men be tried. This request was refused by the solicitor. It was stated, however, that this matter would be settled later, in

to prepare their case. It is very probable that only the five defendants named above will be tried at this term of court.—Wilson, N. C., dispatch.

### Will Work in the Brick Yard.

Raleigh, N. C., June 16.—James Wilcox, the murderer of Nellie Cropsey at Elizabeth City, was brought here at 4 o'clock this morning and placed in the penitentiary under a sentence of thirty years.

He made no trouble on the way, but talked a good deal and for a number of hours on the way from Norfolk here slept like a log. Sheriff T. F. Winslow of Hertford brought him. He was very quiet after he reached the penitentiary between 4 and 5 this morning. He was taken there in a carriage, very soon afterwards his hair was cut, he was given a bath, the striped garments were put on him each bearing his number, which is 13,992. He will be put to work in the brick yards, but of course will do light work until he becomes seasoned. He looks quiet well, though a little palid.

### A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are some times very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c, at All Drug Stores.

### Ladies and Children Invited.

All ladies and children who cannot stand the shocking strain of laxative syrups, cathartics, etc., are invited to try the famous Little Early Risers. They are different from all other pills. They do not purge the system. Even a double dose will not gripe, weaken or sicken; many people call them the Easy Pill. W. H. Howell, Houston, Tex., says nothing better can be used for constipation, sick headache etc. Bob Moore, Lafayette, Ind., says all others gripe and sicken, while DeWitt's Little Early Risers do their work well and easy. Sold by Jas. Plummer.

### \$5.00 Cash for 25c.

Desiring to secure a much larger list of subscribers than ever before we have decided to offer a cash prize of \$5.00 to some lucky individual. The conditions for a chance at this prize are very simple. Any one, new subscriber, old subscriber or agent who pays 25c on subscription to the SEMI-WEEKLY TRUTH-INDEX, during the month of June, will be entitled to one coupon or chance at it. Each coupon will be numbered and registered and the party getting the lucky number will be given the prize, \$5.00. Now is your opportunity to get not only the best paper in the county, but a neat sum of money as a prize.

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### JURY DISMISSED.

#### No Verdict in the Case of White and Jett Was Reached by the Jury.

Jackson, Ky., June 19.—The jury in the case of Jett and White charged with the murder of Law-

charged today, having been unable to agree.

At 8 o'clock the jury filed into the court room and Foreman Richard Millard said: "Your honor, we find that there is no chance of coming to an agreement."

Judge Redwine said: "I will have to keep you, gentlemen, till Saturday unless you get a verdict sooner. There is no reason why a verdict should not be reached in this case."

Foreman Millard said: "One man has as much right to his opinion as another, and he may stick to it."

It was believed from this that there was only one man between the verdict of guilty or not, and it was conceded that only one juror was then for conviction and that the question of punishment had not been considered at all.

Later the jury again reported it was unable to agree, and shortly after 9 o'clock it was discharged; so there will be another trial.

### Killed With an Axe.

Charlotte, N. C., June 18.—Information from the mountain section of Ashe county is to the effect that Levi Barker was murdered and his father, Alfred Barker, fatally injured by Crick Davis, who also mortally wounded Mrs. Davis, his wife, when she endeavored to save Barker's life. The Barker's were travellers from Virginia, and had stopped at Davis' house for the night. In the middle of the night he attacked them with an axe, with the result as stated. No motive is known and it is believed that Davis is insane.

### A Frightened Horse

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at all druggists.

### CAUGHT LIVE WIRE.

#### Asheville Youth Pays Very Dearly for his Act of Rashness.

Will Landreth, the fourteen-year-old boy who was burned by a live wire on the 9th at Spruce and amputated yesterday afternoon at the Mission hospital. He was thought to be doing nicely up to Tuesday night when he was found to have lockjaw. The doctors had not lost hope, when seen last night, but believed that the boy's chances were few.

The boy had climbed a cherry tree to get cherries, and in a spirit of bravado reached out to catch hold of an electric wire. His playmates warned him not to do this but he said he was not afraid to take both wires in his hands at once. He did so and instantly hung shrieking from the wires. He fell to the ground with both hands burned and both thumbs gone.—Asheville Citizen.

### Peonage in Alabama.

United States Attorney Beeze of Montgomery, Ala., had a conference with Attorney General Knox in regard to alleged peonage in Alabama. Mr. Beeze has abundant evidence that a large number of cases exist in that State in which negroes are kept in a condition of virtual slavery. It was decided, as a result of the conference, to prosecute the cases under the federal statutes as rapidly as conclusion can be accumulated. It is declared by Mr. Beeze that the cases are widely scattered over the state, usually in the rural districts. In many instances the negroes are simple minded persons, who are induced to sign contracts to work without pay, except food and clothing.—Washington dispatch.

### A Great Surgeon Dead.

New York, June 17.—Dr. I. N. Lovs, the noted surgeon and medical editor, died of apoplexy aboard the White Star liner Aurania as the ship was coming up the bay today. The body was removed to his residence at West 69th Street when the ship arrived at the pier. Dr. Lovs went abroad two weeks ago with Mrs. George Law, upon whom he had operated for appendicitis. He leaves a widow and two children.

### BURIED IN THE WOODS.

#### Horrible Fate of a Man Who Neglected His Opportunity—Take Warning.

"And they buried him Away out in the woods, In a pretty little hole in the ground Where the Woodpeckers sing And the Junco bugs tumble around."

His end, kind reader, was not different from that of many others who go through life in a sort of dazed way, neglecting or overlooking their opportunities. Here we are, shouting at the top of our voice, trying to save them 20 to 35 cents on every dollar they spend. What more can we do? Are we to blame then if they are buried like the other fellow—buried and forgotten? With you it's different. You know a good thing when you see it; you know the difference in 10 per cent. and 50 per cent. profit. You know that a saving of 25 cents on the dollar is something today, more tomorrow and in several years it means the difference in a poor man and a rich one.

We name a few items to guide you.

### 1 Cent Buys

Palm leaf fan, cake of soap, 7 balls laundry blue, paper needles, box shoe blacking, furnished fish line, coat and hat hook, coffee pot knob, key hole plate, 2 boxes of matches, rubber tip pencil, 24 sheets paper, 24 envelopes, thimble, a safe cigar.

### 3 Cents Buys

12 clothes pins, 500 carpet tacks, mouse trap, safety door bolt, clothes line pulley, machine oiler, case of pins, 3 inch pie plate, tea or sugar scoop, baby bib, Herald pencil, long counter or memo book, Lucella cigars, etc.

### 4 Cents Buys

Octagon soap, Gold Dust, Caluloid starch, umbrella rib holder, glass mug, salt or pepper shaker, 4 bushel basket, etc.

### 5 Cents Buys

7 inch white wash brush, roller towel rack, scrub or stove brush, chair bottom, bottle shoe polish, flesh fork, vegetable lifter, cocoa shape dipper, 2 quart plain dipper, 3 quart cup, 1 quart graduate measure, boys' knife, torch pulley, 2 boxes shoe nails, 5 hole tin mouse trap, 1 box put up for 100 matches, 3 quart dairy or pie pan, padlock, 2 boxes tooth picks, nice Japanese fan, 1 pair side combs, ladies embroidered collar, 1 dozen good steel pens, box paper and envelopes, writing tablet, story books, large pouch smoking tobacco, box braided picture wire, hair brush, ladies undervest, pair towels, 2 bottles ink, cream pitcher, lamp chimney, etc.

### 10 Cents Buys

Childs plated knife, fork and spoon set, box paper and envelopes, 50 visiting cards, cloth bound book, linen or turkish towel, plated watch chain, gent's belt, large bottle ink, lamp, etc.

### 15 Cents Buys

100 page ledger, rolled plate cuff buttons, 6 tumblers, 6 desert dishes, 4 gallon pitcher, pair gents drawers, bottle 25c perfume, flat bottom tea kettle, etc.

### 20 Cents Buys

Side lamp with reflector, hand and stand lamps complete, large pitcher, etc. From this price up the line and prices are marvelous. We are always glad to show you.

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