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### General News.

The Washington Post says. The only contests from North Carolina filed with the clerk for the Fifty-sixth Congress are those of Messrs Dockery and Pearson. Mr. Skinner said he was uncertain as to what course he would pursue but close friends say he will hardly contest Small's right to his seat, as he recognizes the fairness of his election.

Mr. John Laws has been register of deeds for Orange county for forty-five years continuously and thinks he is entitled to the prize as being the oldest office holder in the State.

The distinguishing event of the Baptist Convention at Greenville, Friday was the formal reception of the ten associations formerly composing the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. Occurring after forty three years of division at the birth place of the Convention, this union was effected under peculiarly appropriate circumstances.

Mr. McKinley did a clever and graceful act when he invited Gen. Joseph Wheeler and his daughter to accompany the Presidential party to the Atlanta Peace Jubilee, next week. "Fighting Joe" accepted the invitation.

No steps have been taken yet to meet the condition presented by the actual establishment of peace. The administration is inclined to hold that peace will not formally exist until ratification of the treaty has been exchanged. No volunteers will be discharged as the result of signing the treaty and it was announced that until Congress votes to increase the regular service as many volunteers as is needed in the colonies would be retained.

Diplomatic relations will probably not be resumed with Spain until the treaty shall have been ratified.

A newspaper correspondent at Madrid says: "Everybody in Spain is pleased that the negotiations are ended, because all had been apprehensive that fresh pretensions on the part of the United States would be sprung upon the Spanish peace commissioners at every sitting."

If any of our story tellers can beat the following let him send it to the Gazette-Messenger.

Seven years ago a farmer living west of Webster City, Iowa, hung his vest on the fence in the barnyard. A calf chewed up a pocket in the garment in which was a standard gold watch.

Last week the animal, a staid

old milch cow, was butchered for beef, and the timepiece was found in such a position between the lungs of the cow that the process of respiration, the closing in and filling the lungs, kept the stemwind wound up, and the watch had lost but four minutes in the seven years.

Representative Bailey, of Texas, was continued as leader of the Democratic forces in the house, at the Democratic caucus Saturday. No division in the party was apparent. A resolution was adopted making caucus action binding on all participants.

The statement that Japan had offered \$200,000,000 for the Philippines proves to have been erroneous. Publication of the story, however, has brought out additional evidence of Japan's friendliness. Some time ago Japan let it be known that she wished America would retain the Philippines, and later the minister told Secretary Day that Japan would endorse any plan the United States had for the disposition of the islands. She hoped the United States would take full control, but if it was not found advisable she would join in a protectorate.

Admiral Dewey's fleet will be strengthened shortly by the addition of some serviceable gunboats. The Bennington now at Honolulu has been ordered to proceed to Guam, in the La Drone group and make a survey of the harbor with a view to the establishment there of a naval station. This done she will join Dewey's fleet. By that time or even before, the Helena will have arrived at Manilla and the Concord and the Peter now cruising in Chinese waters, will have turned and altogether the Admiral will have a sufficient force of small vessels under his command to carry out the President's policy respecting the Philippines, and to bring into submission any of the islanders who may prove refractory, and to release any Spanish prisoners held in confinement by the insurgents.

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