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ROXBORO, NORTH CAROLINA, WEDNESDAY EVENING, January 22, 1902.

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THE EARTHQUAKE IN MEXICO.

PROBABLY 300 PEOPLE WERE KILLED.

Great Destruction to Property Results in the City of Chilpancingo Where the Capitol Building, Parish Church and many Residences are in Ruins

Mexico City, Jan. 17.—One of the most terrible catastrophes ever recorded in the State of Guerrero is reported to have occurred late yesterday afternoon, when an extremely violent earthquake shock was felt at Chilpancingo, causing a great loss of life and injuring many persons. Details from the stricken district are very meagre, but scattering reports received here indicate that probably 300 persons were killed and as many more injured. It is known that the State capitol, the parish church and many business houses and residences are in ruins and there is much suffering from the awful seismic disturbance. One of the edifices that suffered most was the Federal Telegraph office, which explains the paucity of news that has so far reached this city. Later, meagre details began to arrive here. The telegraph lines and apparatus at Chilpancingo were badly damaged, but the employes, all of whom were uninjured, proceeded to erect an improvised telegraph office on the outskirts of the city. The number of dead was greater in the parish church than in any single place, as a crowd of worshippers were gathered there for the afternoon service. The solid masonry-walled roof came toppling down on the worshippers as if it had been wrenched from its bearings by a thousand strong hands. Several people were killed there. The War department has ordered the troops in the neighborhood to cooperate in the work of rescue.

Favor Panama Offer.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The supplemental report of the Isthmian Canal Commission on the proposition of the Panama Canal Company to dispose of its property to the United States for \$40,000,000 was delivered to President Roosevelt this evening. The members of the commission refused to discuss the nature of the report and like reticence was maintained at the White House, but it was stated on excellent authority that the report unanimously recommends that the offer of the Panama Company be accepted. The report it is stated is very voluminous, going into all phases of the question and attempting to meet objections that any legal complications will arise.

Fatal Accident in a Mill.

Durham, Jan. 17.—J. L. Wright white, 34 years of age met a horrible death in the Erwin Mill this afternoon about 1 o'clock. Caught in a belt his body was jerked to the pulley above and his right leg torn off at the hip joint. He lived some eight or ten minutes after the accident.

A Bloodhound Hunt.

Suffolk, Va., Jan. 25.—Hurricane Branch is making arrangements to have a bloodhound man hunt on Long Island. He has bargained with a former New Yorker to give a man chase on the island for \$5,000 and to exhibit the dogs in New York city for the same amount.

Proceedings of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday Jan. 13th, present, Rev. J. A. Beam Chairman, W. A. Warren and W. R. Hambrick.

The first business before the Board was from district No. 1, Olive Hill township, in regard to location of school site for white race. It was ordered that the decision of the Board at its Oct. meeting stand.

The report J. H. Sherman consolidating the colored schools in districts No. 2, 3 and 5 in Allensville and No. 3 in Mt. Tirzah township be adopted.

Ordered that W. A. Warren and W. R. Hambrick look after the Terrell fund.

Ordered that the committees be notified to have their school houses cleaned around so as to protect them from fire.

Ordered that Ten Dollars be allowed district No. 1, white, Mt. Tirzah township, for free library.

Ordered that the account of Noell Bros., \$9.60, be allowed.

Ordered that \$20 be paid Mr. Melton for one acre of land for school site, white, in district No. 3 Holloways township.

Ordered that the two joint schools, white, No. 1 in Allensville township and No. 2 in Roxboro run four months.

Ordered that \$26 by exchange of school house for the colored race in district No. 1 Allensville township be placed to the credit of the whites.

Ordered that the amounts due each school go to their credit.

Ordered that \$20 be paid Mrs. Fox for one acre of land condemned for white race in district No. 2 in Olive Hill township.

The report of the Superior Court Clerk was approved and ordered to be recorded.

Ordered that each school in the County run a four months school.

Ordered that \$5 be allowed each school to pay the general expenses.

Ordered that \$400 be apportioned to the Roxboro Institute and \$100 to Pass' Academy to run a four months school.

Amounts to be apportioned:

County Tax,	\$7448.74
Funds collected by Clerk	209.00
Funds by J. P's,	123.23
Mayor's fines,	123.30
Interest Terrell fund,	2670.20
State,	896.10
Whiskey tax,	700.00

Total, \$12170.57

Amount apportioned, 8155.00

Not apportioned, \$4015.57

G. F. HOLLOWAY,
Co. Supt.

Kentucky Officially Sustained
Schley.

Frankfort, Ky., 17.—The House after a spirited debate, adopted the resolutions commendatory to Admiral Schley. The Republicans opposed that portion of the resolution which condemned the court inquiry that sat in the Schley case and refused to vote when the roll was called. All of the 70 Democrats present voted for the resolutions.

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SKINNER WINS.

Bernard Makes Some People Mad by Withdrawing. Russel Declines the Collectorship. Keith the Man.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The district attorneyship was settled today by the withdrawal of District Attorney Bernard. Harry Skinner will be appointed in a few days.

Bernard went to the White House today and told the President that he would not longer oppose Senator Pritchard's wishes. It is said that Bernard was induced to take this action by Corporation Commissioner Abbott and Clerk of the Federal Court Grant, or that he was promised some other office by Senator Pritchard.

A large number of North Carolina Republicans are here in Bernard's interest, and some of them are mad because their candidate backed out.

The Wilmington collectorship was offered to ex-Governor Russel, but he declined this office and today it was decided again to appoint B. F. Keith, his appointment will be made in a very few days.

It is said that Russel's declination is a result of a deluge of telegrams to Senator Pritchard from citizens of North Carolina protesting against Russel's appointment or that he was asked to "decline."

Dr. Geo. T. Winston is here. He wants the A. and M. College relieved from paying for the United States guns burned in the recent fire. He finds that it will require a special act of Congress and Congressman Pou will introduce the bill at an early date.

The North Carolina Methodist Handbook and Almanac.

With the compliments of the publisher, Rev. T. N. Ivey, D. D., editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, we have received a copy of the North Carolina Methodist Handbook and Almanac.

Every family needs an Almanac containing practical information on affairs of the household and the State. Every family needs also a Handbook of information touching his religious denomination. Both needs are supplied in the one publication, The North Carolina Methodist Handbook and Almanac. The contents are full and varied, giving history, biography, directories, tables, exhibits, rolls, memoirs, etc., with half-tone cuts of the prominent men and institutions of North Carolina Methodism. The roll of Sunday-school Superintendents is lengthy and complete, and and the first one prepared in the State. In fact this is the first North Carolina Methodist Handbook and Almanac ever published in the State. It is pleasing in appearance, of 150 pages neatly printed and durably bound in stiff electrotyped cover. It is strange that a publication of such information and artistic merit should be sold as low as 25 cents a copy but so it is, and that postpaid. Send for copy to T. N. Ivey, Editor, Raleigh, N. C.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 17.—The railroad commission announces a general new class of freight rates in the State. A reduction of about 20 per cent. is made from the present tariff. The new tariff becomes effective 20 days after date.

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Volumes one, two and three of "Regimental Histories of North Carolina" have been issued and volume 4 is printed and nearly ready. These volumes can be had at one dollar each, from the State Librarian. Volume 5 is printed also, except "corrections" and the "index," which will delay its issue till March 1st. As the first requisite is accuracy and truthfulness all who may discover any errors and omission in the work are earnestly requested to send corrections to "Editor Regimental Histories," Raleigh, N. C., by the 15th of February, 1902. Those who failed to get the photos of their friends in previous volumes can get them in volume 5 by sending them to Maj. C. L. Patton, University Publishing Company New York city, by the 15th of February, 1902. The photos must have been taken "during the war or not long after" and must be accompanied by money order for engravings. No line is drawn at rank. Photos will be returned by Major Patton to senders. This is the last opportunity for corrections or photos.

Hurdle Mills Locals.

About all that our farmers can do now is to cut and haul wood.

It has been a nice time for gathering ice, and our ice-gathers took advantage of this cold wave and filled their ice houses.

Nearly all our people are enjoying very good health at this writing.

The Hurdles Mill school started off Jan. 6th with a very good attendance. We think, and are almost certain, that this school is already and is going to be one of the most successful schools that Hurdles Mill has ever had. A much larger number is attending now than attended before Christmas.

It is thought and feared that a great deal of the wheat and oat crop has been hurt by the cold freezing weather that we have been having so much of.

Mr. R. L. Wilburn, our merchant, returned home a few days ago from Va., where he has been for several days on a business trip.

I will close for this time wishing all success.

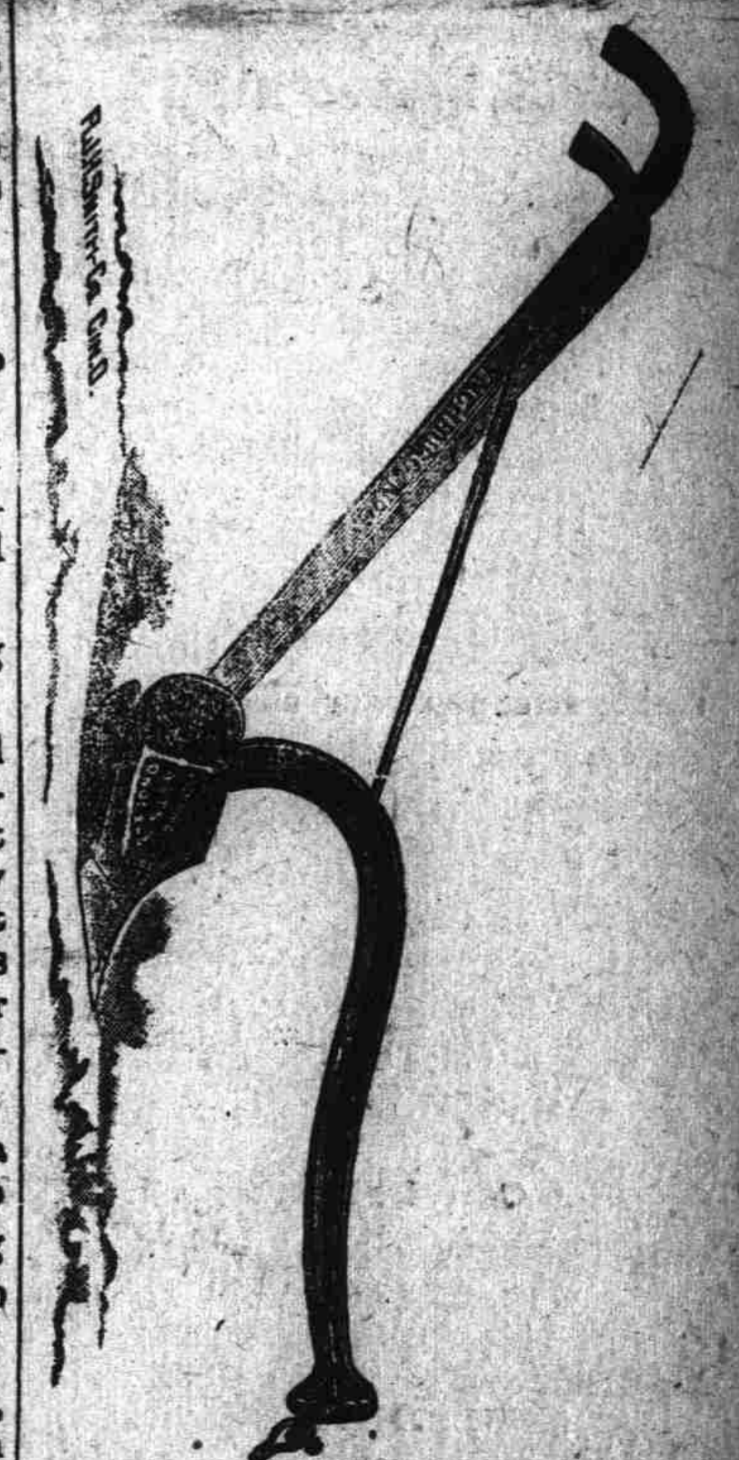
A. P. D.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—Prince Henry announced officially today that he will take to America a valuable present from the Emperor of Germany to Miss Roosevelt.

Substitute Philippine Tariff Bill.

Washington, Jan. 18.—The Democratic members of the Senate Committee on the Philippines were in consultation for several hours today over proposed substitute proposition for the Philippine tariff bill. They are agreed on all the essential features of their position. In general they say they will recommend that in the end, provision should be made giving the Filipinos their independence, but in the meantime providing for free trade between the United States and the Philippine archipelago such as is maintained between the United States proper and other territories.

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