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RALEIGH.

How the Amendment Question Appears in West.

Bonds For Caledonia Farm. Trappers After Fur Bearing Animals. Death of R. B. Vance. Shall Fish Commissioner White's Dilemma.

RALEIGH, November 29.—Mr. Frank H. Fries, of Salem, came here and received from the State Treasurer the \$60,000 of 4 per cent. penitentiary bonds, issued to pay for the Caledonia farm, which his tank purchased in August. There now remains \$25,000 of bonds, to be used in paying for the Anson farm. As yet, though the latter farm has been purchased, the executive board of the penitentiary has not called for the sale of the bonds to meet the payment.

Mr. Patterson, commissioner of agriculture, received a letter, from Mr. Walter E. Moore, stating that W. A. Dills, a member of the board of agriculture, died last Saturday at Dillboro, his home. The board of agriculture at its meeting early in December will elect a Democrat to fill the vacancy, as the Democrats have a majority of the membership.

Two "trappers" are here on their way to New Light township, this county, where they will spend the winter in trapping fur-bearing animals. Last winter they caught 18 otters and over 400 minks, weasels, etc. Skunks are scarce in this part of the State, though plentiful in the mountain section.

Theophilus White, who by the Supreme Court's decision last week, is yet chief shellfish commissioner and lord admiral of North Carolina's oyster navy, is here to see the State Auditor about the matter of salary. In one breath the Supreme Court says that the Democratic board of shellfish commissioners, each one of whom was to have received \$400 a year and expenses, has no existence, but that White holds on and is supreme.

In the next breath the court says that the old law, which gave White \$75 a month salary, is void and of no effect. While the Auditor was trying to tell him about this hitch in the "pie" arrangements, an opinion from the Attorney General, telling Admiral White that the only thing left for him to do is to sue out a mandamus and let the Supreme Court decide what his salary is.

It is said here that the three known aspirants for the Democratic nomination for chief justice are James E. Shepard, Henry G. Connor and Walter Clark, and that there are perhaps half a dozen dark horses.

The State Treasurer has received a deed for the Caledonia farm, on the Roanoke river.

All the officers of the grand lodge of Masons are notified of the death of Past Grand Master Robert B. Vance at his home near Asheville. The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon. A number of grand lodge officers will attend it.

Rev. C. A. G. Thomas has resigned the pastorate of a Baptist church at Fayetteville to take the place of assistant to Rev. Mr. Springfield, business agent of the Baptist Female Seminary at Raleigh.

E. J. Justice, member of the House from McDowell, when asked if it was not certain that the Legislature will meet next June, replied: "Of course it will meet, but what is the use of doing anything?" This was in allusion to the Supreme Court, which now does so much of the work formerly done by the Legislature.

Mr. Justice, in response to further questions, spoke as to the amendment, saying that so far as he knew no Democrats opposed it. But many of them want to know positively that the argument of the Republicans as to the unconstitutionality of the grandfather section is not the correct one. These doubts must be allayed, for doubts are pretty nearly as bad as direct opposition. Democrats must direct their efforts upon doubters.

Talking with the other side, on this amendment matter it was gathered from a Republican leader that there is a great reaction "settling in" against the amendment, and that this is general. It is as well to study these Republican declarations. They will use all sorts of arguments, make all sorts of declarations and will, to go farther, use money freely in next year's great contest. This particular Republican went on to say that a certain (which one he did not say) had been polled and that the poll showed the vote would be very close, and he made the further declaration that it showed also that there had been a Republican gain of 6,000 since last year.

MANY DEAD HORSES.

Transport Victoria Forced by Stress of Weather to Return.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 29.—With a cargo of dying horses and mules and fifty-five empty stalls, the United States transport Victoria returned to port last night, having been forced by an unprecedented stress of weather off Cape Flattery, to turn back from her voyage to the Philippines.

Of the four hundred and ten horses and mules carried by the Victoria, taken aboard November twenty third, fifty-five were literally pounded to death against the sides of their stalls in the storm and the remaining animals were so badly bruised that the officials of the vessel believe they cannot be saved.

NORTH CAROLINA WINS.

In Foot Ball Game With University of Georgia. Hard Fought Battle. Score 5 to 0.

Special to Journal.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 30.—It was an ideal day for foot ball today, and the game between the teams of the University of North Carolina and the University of Georgia, brought out about one thousand spectators, who witnessed a hard fought battle, the Tar Heels winning by a score of 5 to 0.

The Georgian team showed unusual improvement and played its best game of the season.

The Carolina line was as impregnable as in the Princeton game.

A touch down was made by Koehler after three minutes play. Graves failed to make goal. Ritchie, Georgia, played running ball for goal. Singletary, Carolina's right tackle, had his knee wrenched and was succeeded by Koehler.

Carolina's halfbacks, Koehler and Bellamy, played a star game, Koehler saving a touch down by tackling Georgia's full back on Carolina's ten yard line and knocking him off the side.

Bellamy made the prettiest tackle ever seen in Atlanta, making a flying leap of about six yards and bringing the runner down.

The crowd was very bitter against the Tar Heels.

Rowbotham, the umpire, roasted Carolina on decisions, badly.

Neither Captain Shull or Captain Howell played, but they will be in Saturday's game against Sewanee.

The feature of the day's game was the kicking of Graves, which was better than usual.

Several petty fights occurred at the Kimball House, due to disputes over the game, the Carolina men sticking up for their rights.

In the game here Saturday, Sewanee is a strong local favorite. Georgia's team averaged 179 pounds per man, Carolina's team averaged 177 pounds per man, both teams being unusually heavy ones.

THE SILVER REPUBLICANS.

Will Adhere to the Bryan Democracy "If The Right Men" Are Nominated.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—Informal discussion by the members of the National Silver Republican Committee and chairmen of the State Committees at the meeting held here today, developed as the consensus of purpose adherence to the Bryan Democracy "If the right men are nominated."

There was no dissent from the opinion, that as the Presidential candidate William J. Bryan would be the "right man."

Most of the session was devoted to hearing reports on the condition of the Silver Republicanism in the various States. Ex-Governor Altgeld was present, and was greeted by a rousing salutation from the meeting. He made brief address in which he paid a high tribute to the patriotism and disinterestedness of the Silver Republicans. Chairman J. G. Johnston, Chairman of the Executive Committee, was a visitor.

Chairman Charles Towne made an address in which he inveighed against "The tendency of the McKinley administration towards absolutism."

Senator Teller said the drift of the Republican party was away from its original principles and if he had not quit the party in 1890, he would have had ample cause to do so since then.

GEN. WOOD REACHES NEW YORK.

He Says Conditions In Cuba Are Constantly Improving.

NEW YORK, November 28.—The United States transport McPherson, from Santiago, having on board General Leonard Wood, Military Governor of Santiago Province, and Lieutenant Brook reached Quarantine this morning. She was gayly decked with flags.

It is admitted at Washington that Gen. Wood is coming on official business, the nature of which is not made known. Before starting General Wood said that it was possibly for a conference upon his suggestion for the withdrawal of American troops and substitution of Cuban troops, with American officers in Cuba.

"The condition of Santiago in relation to public affairs is improving daily. We employ many on public works, such as roads. The people are busy and contented. We have no destitution, and, excepting a period after the great storms and hurricanes, when the rains washed the crops out of the ground in many places, we have not issued rations. I have great hopes for the early development of the mining industries of Santiago Province, with its wonderful rich deposits of iron, copper and zinc ores, which are bound to add to the prosperity of the island."

General Wood and Lieutenant Brook hurried ashore at Quarantine and left for Washington. The ship proceeded to her pier, at the foot of Pacific street, Brooklyn.

As he was leaving for Washington, General Wood said:

"I have no knowledge of the business for which I am called to Washington, beyond the order to report. Before it was issued we heard the news of the death of the Vice-President, and the flags were half-masted on all the public buildings. His loss is great, as he was a strong man in the Administration. His death was heard with profound regret at Santiago."

ENGLISH ADVANCE.

Not Checked by Losses Inflicted by Boers.

War Office Gives Figures on British Losses. Ninth Lancers Not Captured. Balfour Declares Dutch Seek to Establish an Empire.

LONDON, November 29.—Gen. Lord Paul Methuen, commanding the British expedition to the relief of Kimberley, continues to advance.

A dispatch received by the London War Office states that the telegraph line from Cape Town was opened Monday night as far north as Klokfontein, which is eight miles south of the Modder river and 32 miles south of Kimberley. This is regarded as meaning that General Methuen's force had reached that place and is, perhaps, by this time at the river or beyond it.

Gen. P. A. Cronje, who has been directing Boer operations at the sieges of Kimberley and Mafeking, has moved south and taken command of the forces that are opposing Methuen's advance. A big fight is expected at the Modder river, or Spytfontein, or both.

The London War Office has made public the British army losses last Saturday in the battle of Gras Pan or, as it is now officially designated, the battle of Enlil, where about 2,500 Boers opposed Methuen's advance. The total losses, including those of the Naval Brigade, were 108, of whom 24 were killed, 165 wounded and nine missing.

It is inferred from a statement in one of General Buller's reports that the Ninth Lancers took part in a reconnaissance on Sunday, which would tend to show that they were not captured by the Boers on Saturday, as feared. A press dispatch describing the battle says that the Lancers were forced to retreat by the Boers whom they were sent to intercept.

A dispatch to the Deutsche Zeitung, of Berlin, received through Boer diplomatic channels, says that the Boers are preparing to cut off both Generals Methuen in Cape Colony and Clerly in Natal.

General Gatacre, the British commander in North-Central Cape Colony, has occupied Bushman's Hook, south of Stormberg Junction, where the Boers are in force. His men are likely to have a fight soon.

The latest news from Ladysmith, which carried the situation up to last Friday, stated that the British garrison there was still safe.

On account of a break in the East African cable there has been difficulty in sending news from the seat of war.

Arthur J. Balfour, Government leader in the House of Commons, said in a speech at Dewsbury, England, that the Boers are seeking to establish a Dutch empire in South Africa.

SCATTERED INSURGENTS.

Bel Dispersed the Brigades of Alejandro and San Miguel.

MANILA, November 28.—Colonel Bell has located and scattered the brigades of General Alejandro and General San Miguel. The engagement took place on the summit of a mountain, the insurgents being so confident of the impregnability of their position that they had their families with them.

The Americans captured all the enemy's munitions and artillery.

Miss Annie E. Gunning, Tyre, Mich., says, "I suffered a long time from dyspepsia; lost flesh and became very weak. Lodoi Dyspepsia Cure completely cured me." It digests what you eat and cures all forms of stomach trouble. It never fails to give immediate relief in the worst cases. F. S. Duffy.

Invading North Luzon.

MANILA, Nov. 29.—A dispatch from Nampasacan, Province of Union, sent partly by courier, and dated Sunday, November 26, says:

"The battleship Oregon and the gunboats Samar and Callao captured the port of Vigan, Province of South Ilocos, today.

"The warships engaged in a sharp bombardment of Vigan. The firing from the shore ceased soon, and sailors and marines, with a field-piece, were landed. They occupied the town.

"It is reported that 1,700 Filipinos under Generals Tino and Pilar are massed at Tagudin, 10 miles north, and it has been concluded to wait at Nampasacan for the rest of the reinforcements. The American military force was still at Nampasacan Sunday, but a move north was expected to take place Monday.

"General Young, with three troops of the Third Cavalry and a small detachment of Macabebes commanded by Lieutenants Hall, Quinlan and Blount, arrived at Nampasacan from San Fernando de Union Thursday, November 23. They received news of Aguinaldo, from which it appears that he passed north, through Nampasacan, November 21, while General Young was at San Fernando, 20 miles south.

"The Filipino chief is now believed to be in Abra Province. When he passed through Nampasacan all his talk was in favor of continuing the war."

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BLOODY BATTLE FOUGHT

Boers Forced to Leave Positions at Modder River.

Fighting Nearly all Day With Desperate Resistance Offered. Losses Not Determined. Boers Save Their Artillery. Further Resistance.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—London was startled yesterday by news of what is probably the bloodiest battle so far of the South African war.

The battle was fought at the Modder river, 24 miles south of Kimberley, by Gen. Lord Paul Methuen's British army, estimated to number 7,000 men, and a Boer army, commanded by Gen. P. A. Cronje, which General Methuen estimated at 8,000 men.

The fighting began at dawn Tuesday and lasted nearly all day. Gen. Methuen, in his official report, says he "made the enemy quit his position." He gives no details as to losses, but says the fighting was "desperate."

A dispatch received at Windsor, England, and attributed to General Methuen, says the battle was the "bloodiest of the century." This is manifestly incorrect, as at Gettysburg and other battles in the American Civil War, not to mention some which have occurred in Europe in the present century, the loss was heavier than the total number of men engaged on both sides at Modder river.

General Methuen says he succeeded in getting a "small party" across the river, but does not state that his main force crossed. He must pass the river in order to get to Kimberley.

A Pretoria dispatch, dated Monday, states that the British made a sortie from Kimberley, killing 9 and wounding 17 Boers, also capturing some of them. It is inferred from the dispatch that the British returned to Kimberley.

Queen Victoria made an address to troops of the Grenadier Guards who have returned from Omdurman, and also talked with a body of wives and children of soldiers who have gone to South Africa. Joseph Chamberlain, British Secretary of State for the Colonies, speaking at Leicester, England, said that the actions of the Boers left the British free to adopt any course they saw fit after the end of the war.

BIG FIRES IN PHILADELPHIA.

Nearly \$2,000,000 Worth of Property Destroyed in Heart of the City.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., November 29.—Nearly two million dollars worth of property was destroyed by two fires in the heart of the business section of the city early today. The greater of the two fires started in the big department store of Partridge and Richardson, at the southeast corner of Eighth and Filbert streets, the very center of the shopping district, at 6:30 a. m., and before the flames had been put under control they spread to adjoining property, and caused a loss of about \$1,700,000. While this was in progress and spreading every moment, another fire broke out four blocks away on the fourth floor of No. 410 Market street. The losses of the two fires are more than covered by insurance.

The Eighth street fire was a very ugly one for the firemen to handle. Eighth and Filbert streets are very narrow thoroughfares. There was a strong wind blowing at the time, and the fire fighters had great difficulty in preventing the flames from getting a good hold on the buildings on the opposite sides of these streets. As it was many of the structures and their contents were badly scorched and damaged by water. It took four hours to get the flames under control.

The fire started in the basement of Partridge and Richardson's store from an electric spark, and soon the entire building was a mass of flames. The two stores to the south of Partridge and Richardson's were soon gutted, and then the flames attacked the big building of the J. B. Lippincott Publishing Company, on Filbert street, east of the burning department store. This publishing house is one of the best known in the country, many high class reference books, periodicals and numerous other publications being produced by the firm. The building was completely ruined. In the building, stored away in vaults, is nearly a half million dollars' worth of manuscripts, plates, and other material for reference books, and it is not yet known whether they were destroyed.

Little Brothers' large department store, which adjoins Lippincott's building, and which is valued, with its contents, at over a million dollars, was saved, but only after the contents of one corner of the building had been damaged. Straw-bridge and Clothier, another large department store, on the west side of Eighth street, also had a narrow escape, and the building and contents were damaged to the extent of about \$30,000.

HOW MUCH PAY?

The Issue With Oyster Commissioner Free Pass Case. Against Roberts. Moonshine Cases.

RALEIGH, November 30.—The register of deeds of this county tells that the number of crop liens and mortgages this year is far smaller than in past years. This is a good sign. It shows that the farmers are in better plight.

Lord High Admiral Theophilus White of the State's oyster navy, has gone home. He will fit up the oyster patrol steamer Lily for cruising and will fly the State flag on her. Revenue Collector Duncan, who is one of White's best friends, says as to the question of the admiral's salary, which the Supreme Court is to fix, that it is merely whether White shall have his old pay of \$900 a year or the \$2,800 which the Legislature this year provided for the entire seven oyster commissioners it selected and whom the Supreme Court ousted. Admiral White, according to Duncan's view is dead sure of "pie," in any contingency.

The Federal Court here next month will take up the law and equity dockets of the Criminal Court. Clerk Riddick says there are 40 cases of these. Moonshiners by the score will be here next week.

Revenue officers made a raid in Moore county and captured a 100 gallon moonshine plant.

The first case argued in the Supreme Court was a "free pass" case from Burke, in which the Southern Railway is sued for "discriminating" by giving T. N. Hallyburton a free pass from Morganton to Salisbury. The indictment set forth that this was giving "undue and unreasonable preference" to Hallyburton, in violation of the railroad commission act of 1891. The case was heard before the Western Criminal Court, and then before Judge Bowman and the bill was quashed on the ground that the corporation commission act of 1899 repealed the act of 1891. Ex-Justice Avery argued the case against the Southern and contended that under the decision of the court in the case of Abbott vs. Beedingfield the act of 1891 creating the railroad commission, has never lost its force and validity. He contended that this being so the bill must needs be sustained.

Five convicts have arrived at the penitentiary; three from New Hanover and two from Lenoir.

The State charters the Elm City Milling Company; capital \$8,000; George Verbridge and others owners. It will mill rice, corn, oats, etc.

Congressman Atwater says he will go in the Democratic caucus. He is against Roberts, the polygamist, and says the virtue and decency of the country are against the latter. He declares that if no one else will do so he will object to Roberts taking the oath.

The Attorney General began the work of summarizing the criminal statistics for the current year. It is safe to say that there has been a decrease of crime this year.

The State charters the Brooklyn Land and Lumber and Manufacturing Company of Smithfield; capital \$5,000; stockholders E. H. Woodell and others.

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