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STATE PENSION ROLL.

Present List Over Six Thousand, Nearly Two Hundred Increase.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, October 20.—Preliminary estimates made by the State Auditor show that the number of pensioners on the State pension roll, under the general pension law, has reached the six thousand mark, the actual number being 6,072. This is an increase over 189 of 180. The pensioners are divided into five classes, the number in each class for the current year being as follows:

1st class, 111, a decrease of 10 from last year; 2nd class, 358, an increase of 17 over last year; 3rd class, 619, an increase of 98 over last year; 4th class, 2,326, an increase of 91 over last year; widows, 2,658, a decrease of 16 from last year.

The amount of the pension fund available for 1900 is \$113,900 of which \$112,230 will be distributed. The amount of pension for each class is:

1st class, \$58.00; 2nd class, \$43.50; 3rd class, \$29.00; 4th class, \$14.50; widows \$14.50.

In 1899 the pension fund had \$5,000 which amount was transferred to this fund by act of the Legislature from the accumulated "land grant fund." Nothing of this kind is available for this year in favor of the pension fund, and the fund is, therefore, smaller for 1900 than for 1899. A decrease in the amount of the fund with an increase in the number of pensioners causes a reduction of the amount for each pensioner for 1900.

General Wood From Cuba.

Special to Journal.

New York, October 20.—General Wood has arrived in the city from Cuba and will take his family back with him on his return. He will be there in time for the constitutional Convention early in November.

DIED PEACEFULLY.

Death of John Sherman at Washington Yesterday Morning.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—John Sherman died early this morning at the age of 77 years. He was born in Lancaster, Ohio.

His death was so peaceful that those in the room did not know of it until the doctor said that the end had come.

President McKinley went alone to the residence of the statesman and paid his respects to the dead.

Cotton Crisis Abroad.

LONDON, October 20. In an article dealing with the cotton crisis, the Standard says:

Probably by the end of October less than 50 per cent of the spindles will be idle and by the middle of November the spindles will have no trouble in obtaining all the raw cotton they require.

"It must not be assumed, however, that the end of the crisis is in sight. Unless the predictions of the small yield of the cotton crop are falsified the supply will be materially short of the demand, which will mean the continuance of relatively high prices and another curtailment of production later.

"As usual attention is being called energetically to the fact that there is an abundance of land up and down the earth capable of growing cotton; but that will not help us out of the difficulty. There is no getting beyond the solid fact that we must go to America or shut our mills."

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE OPEN DOOR.

United States Policy Seems To Have Won In China.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—England and Germany agree to maintain free ports in China and not use the present complications to obtain territory.

Field Marshal Count Waldseeck will use the Empress Dowager's palace as a temporary abode. He will return to Tientsin in three weeks. The German and Russian Ministers are still at Tientsin. A body of German troops burned down a small village below the German settlement at Tientsin, after killing eighteen Chinese and looting the houses.

A battalion of French Zouaves have captured Pootung Fu. The Chinese promptly hoisted a white flag.

Plot to Kill the Czar.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Sebastopol correspondent of the Daily Telegraph sends details of an alleged plot discovered about a month ago against the life of Czar Nicholas.

It appears that about a fortnight before the Czar and Czarina began their journey to the Crimea a student at Moscow University, son of a post captain of the Black Sea fleet, was arrested for digging in a suspicious manner in the vicinity of a railway tunnel near Sebastopol.

The police after the arrest found a large quantity of explosives deposited where they would have inevitably wrecked the tunnel when the imperial train was passing.

The correspondent says there are certain indications that the plot was one of those concocted by the Brest group of anarchists.

Kruger Fears the Boers.

LORENZO MARQUES, Oct. 19.—Mr. Kruger was secretly taken at 5 o'clock this morning on board the Dutch cruiser Gelderland, on which vessel he is to sail for Holland. The reason given for Mr. Kruger's embarkation is that he feared the Boers would attack him. The firing of the refugees against Mr. Kruger for fleeing from the country is very strong.

Raise Cotton in Africa.

ATLANTA, GA., Oct. 19.—Robert T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute for Negroes, announced today that officials of the German Government had closed a contract with his school to furnish students to introduce cotton raising among the natives in the German colony on the west coast of Africa.

On November 8 a party of students equipped with cotton, plows, gins, wagons and carpentry tools will sail from New York for the new fields. The party will be under the leadership of J. N. Calloway, instructor in the Institute. The Germans will pay all the expenses of the expedition and a good salary to each man.

The expedition is regarded as the beginning of a formidable competition with America in the cotton-raising industry. German agents say that sections of African colonies can produce a small expanse a quality of cotton equal to that raised in the Southern States of America when the industry is understood by the natives.

Bishop H. M. Turner, of Georgia, has devoted years to efforts to induce immigration of Southern negroes to Africa, and the plan of the Germans may give a fresh impetus to this movement.

White Gets the Money.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., October 20.—The State Treasurer today paid Theophilus White, shell fish commissioner \$591.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK.

Strike In Alamance Cotton Mills Everything Now Complete and First May Prove Dangerous.

New Telephone Building White On Oysters Shows His Wisdom Doubtful In the Sixth Odd Fellows Lodges.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, Oct. 20.—The trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church here are called to meet next Thursday to elect officers and teachers. An appeal is made for bed clothing and all sorts of furnishings for the first building, which is to be completed next week. In three weeks the contracts will be bid for a \$10,000 building.

Don Hugh McLean arrived today from the 5th district, and says the Democrats will certainly carry it. There is a hard fight in the 3rd district. It is the only doubtful one.

As yet the mill operators who are out of the Alamance cotton mills are permitted to occupy the houses owned by the various mills, in the hope that they will work elsewhere. This the mill owners desire them to get, and declare they are not black-listed. The men out are making threats against those at work and particularly against new men. There are deputy sheriffs on duty. So far there is no conflict, but of course the situation is like a powder magazine.

During last week, grand secretary Woodell tells me two lodges of O.S.D. Fellows which became defunct in 1893 were reorganized. During that week carriers were granted to two new lodges. During this week application for a new lodge at Windsor and for the reorganization of one at Roxboro were received. There are yet a dozen defunct lodges. Next week the grand secretary will organize an encampment at Durham.

Shell fish commissioner Theophilus White arrived today. He says the quality of the oysters was never finer, and that the quantity is abundant. He says that as long as the law is enforced there need be no fear of the despatch of the oysters. Buyers from the North are arriving. There will be a number of new steam canneries. Bellhaven is the center of the oyster trade. Last year one firm there shipped 12,000 gallons a day. There are new canneries at Wilt, Bellhaven, Marshallburg, Swan Quarter, and Elizabeth City, and there are 50 "raw" houses. White says he has had no pay in 20 months, nor have his deputies, a dozen in number, had any. He says the people in the first district have plenty of money and are talking very little politics.

At the request of the Inter-State Cotton Growers' Association a meeting of the North Carolina Association will be held here next week, to see whether delegates shall be chosen to the Inter-State convention at Macon, Ga., November 20. Commissioner of agriculture Patterson is asked to address the latter body, but says he will be unable to do so.

Coal Miners Strike.

Special to Journal.

SEBASTOPOL, Fla., October 20.—The end of the coal strike seems still remote in this district as the operators here refuse a straight ten per cent increase without regard to the powder question.

The miners say that if the only increase they are to get is to come from the reduced price of powder it will not yield 10 per cent. If they pay their laborers 10 per cent out of the powder decrease it will give them only 5 per cent for themselves. They want an explanation from the companies clearly setting forth that they will make up to the men whatever the powder money will fall short in realizing 10 per cent.

Wheeler is a Democrat.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., October 19.—Regarding the statement made in a recent speech by Governor Roosevelt that he was glad to see such men as General Wheeler supporting President McKinley in the present campaign, General Wheeler today said:

"Governor Roosevelt is honestly mistaken. He made the statement on the strength of a publication made by a man in my district, unfriendly to me, that I had delivered a Republican speech at Florence.

"In Congress there is only one member who has so long and so consistently as I have supported the Democratic measures. There is no need for me to deny these statements. The people of Alabama do not doubt my faithfulness to the Democratic party."

Fitzhugh Lee on Cuba.

WASHINGTON, October 22.—Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, who has been spending several days in Washington, does not predict failure for the Cuban Constitutional convention that will meet November 5, but makes it quite evident that he does not believe the convention will provide a Constitution that will be accepted by Congress.

Gen. Lee made a statement concerning the present epidemic of yellow fever in Havana, the worst since American occupation, that is calculated to arouse interest and discussion in the medical and scientific world—that the best physicians in Havana had about been convinced that sanitary precautions were not a bar to yellow fever.

STATE FAIR.

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RALEIGH, Oct. 22.—At 10 o'clock Gov. Russell opened the 30th annual State Fair here. It is the last fair ever held in the State. Three thousand people were on the grounds yesterday, mainly diverting their attention to the "Midway." All day today exhibits were being received and tonight everything is complete. There is a wide variety of amusements.

Among the week's events here, will be the meeting to form the State Literary Society, Tuesday evening; the cotton ginners' convention, Wednesday; the tobacco growers' convention, Wednesday; the State fruit shipper's convention, the annual meeting of the Confederate Veterans, to elect officers, etc., and the State Farmers Alliance executive committee all on Thursday; the inter-collegiate football game Friday between Blacksburg and the North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College teams; the inter-state shot gun tournament Thursday.

Today the registration for the November election began. It ends with this week.

Twenty convicts from the penitentiary, and 20 from the Anson farm were sent yesterday to the Roanoke farm, to pick cotton. The officials say over 600 convicts are now gathering cotton and that it will all be picked in 20 days. There are 250 convicts in the penitentiary. The crop of cotton will be a large one. None has been sold.

The Republicans from all parts of the State assembled at Greensboro yesterday, obeying Senator and State Chairman Pritchard's mandate, which was indeed a pressing one.

Chairman John S. Cunningham of the State Board of Agriculture arrived today, as did J. B. Colfield of that board. It meets Wednesday.

It is beginning to be noticed that some of the Republican leaders here are quite shaky in regard to McKinley's re-election.

Judge Purnell left for New Bern today to hold a term of federal court.

Since April 1, of last year the State has received \$9,181 from oysters.

On a special train from Hagerstown Md., yesterday 78 fakirs arrived to attend the State fair.

The following is the official list of State soldier pensioners from Craven County:

- Joe French, Co. I, 8th Regiment; Henry T. Hawkins, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; Elias Fulcher, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; Alex. C. Hart, Co. B, 63rd Regiment; John Collins, Co. B, 24th Regiment; Haywood Riggs, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; Thos. B. House, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; C. G. Taylor, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; C. C. Butler, Co. I, 4th Regiment; D. A. Taylor, Co. G, 10th Regiment; Abner Wetherington, Co. C, 2nd Regiment; J. D. Hensley, Co. H, 6th Regiment; M. G. Trevantham, Co. B, 2nd Regiment; E. J. Williams, Co. F, 2nd Regiment; E. R. Robinson, Co. K, 2nd Regiment; Caswell Jones, Co. I, 14th Regiment; Wm. H. Abanethy, Co. B, 4th Regiment; Wm. H. Wetherington, Co. F, 2nd Battalion; A. Wiggins.

Doings of the Campaign.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, October 20.—President McKinley and Gov. Roosevelt were in conference at the white house most of the day, in regard to the progress of the campaign. Roosevelt leaves for Baltimore where he speaks tonight.

The letter of acceptance by Mr. Bryan of the nomination by the Free Silver Republicans is a relief to that party as they have been much disturbed by the delay.

Mr. Bryan spoke at Elmira today and said, "Things look bright."

IN OUR FAVOR.

English and German Alliance Leaves the Chinese Door Wide Open.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—The agreement between Germany and England, just made public, not to take any territory from China themselves or to allow any other power to do so, and to maintain the open door in Chinese commerce, gives the United States all that it has asked for an equal chance with all other nations to maintain and increase its trade with China.

The agreement is the most important event, regarded from the standpoint of American interests, that has occurred in connection with the Chinese mix-up. It insures getting peaceably what many think would have been justified in going to war to get, had it become necessary. Germany and England being our leading rivals for Chinese trade, were hardly assented by a desire to help us. It is more likely that they wished to make sure that Russia should give up Manchuria, the Chinese province which it is already practically in possession of. This country has no interests in China other than of being allowed to trade with the Chinese, and that this agreement secures to us.

THE STATE GUARD.

Three Companies and One Naval Troop have been organized in the State.

Special to Journal.

By a vote of 10 yeas and 10 nays, the House of Representatives today passed a bill to organize three companies and one naval troop of the State Guard, to be known as the "State Guard." The bill provides for the organization of three companies of 25 men each, and one naval troop of 25 men, to be known as the "State Guard." The bill also provides for the appointment of a colonel and a lieutenant colonel, and for the appointment of a major and a captain in each company, and for the appointment of a lieutenant and a sergeant in each troop.

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LADIES AND CHILDREN'S Dressy Footwear.

Special to Journal.

It is only a few days from the season when you will like the lady who looks like a queen in dress and feet. Ladies and children's dressy footwear is now being made in the most artistic and comfortable styles. The following are some of the styles now being made:

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