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RALEIGH.

Delinquent Sheriffs to be Sued by State Treasurer.

Rain Needed New Law Creating Additional Courts, Mosquitoes Pleading Everywhere, New Insurance Company Barc Hall Interest.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 31.—There is need of rain in this part of the state and if it does not soon fall there will be a cry for it. The intense heat has dried the ground wonderfully fast.

The new law creating sixteen Superior Court districts, four more than heretofore, went into effect July 1st, and to-day the Auditor made out the first warrants, each for \$229.10, this being for salary and traveling allowance. Judges Brown of the First district and McNeill of the Seventh are the only ones whose districts were not changed by number.

It is more than probable that several of the ten delinquent sheriffs, who have not paid last year's taxes will be sued by the State Treasurer.

The State Superintendent of public instruction is taking much interest in the formation of special public school districts, that is districts in which by the levy of a special tax the regular public school tax is supplemented. He says if this idea is carried out it will go a great way towards settling the great educational problem.

Auditor Dixon left today for Windsor, where he will tomorrow deliver an address to Confederate Veterans. He will be the guest of Judge Francis D. Winston.

The Raleigh base ball team is certainly doing some great playing these days, and interest in it is never greater.

Mosquitoes, a pest on the coast this year, are more abundant in the interior of the State than in many years. The oil treatment of standing water has not been employed in this State but ought to be.

It is said that the crops in this county now are as poor as in any county in the State. Farmers say they will not make expenses.

The Life and Annuity Insurance Co., of Greensboro, will in a few days begin business, the insurance commissioner is informed. He went to confer with its officers.

Potatoes Jump in Price.

PHILADELPHIA, July 30.—Philadelphia and, in fact, the East generally, is confronted by a potato famine.

Potatoes, which last year at this time sold at \$1.25 a barrel, now sell at \$4, and dealers do not hesitate to declare that the \$5 mark will be soon reached. They see nothing else ahead, and all attribute the scarcity of potatoes to the backward spring and the drought.

Chicago, July 30.—"Though the drought has been broken," says the Post, "the woe effect of the agricultural situation is now being brought home to Chicago and to other cities as well."

Oklahoma's Lottery.

EL RENO, O. T., July 30.—Scenes about the lottery platform today, where the drawing for lands on the Kiowa-Comanche reservation is being conducted, where a repetition of those of yesterday. During the night and early morning the crowds had been swelled by several thousand eager people who had arrived in prairie schooners or on trains. Many slept again upon the hillside around the wheels of fortune, to be on hand early. Others came from up town at the break of day and secured positions as close to the platform as possible.

When the second day's drawing commenced it was estimated that over 30,000 people were on hand.

The intense excitement of yesterday had told on many, and to this was added the individual feeling that each person's chance had materially diminished. Yesterday's drawing had given to 1,000 homesteaders the privilege of selecting the best claims in the reservations. This left 12,000 claims and 160,000 applicants. It was decided to draw 2,000 names from the wheels today, 1,000 each from the El Reno and the Lawton land districts.

Combine For Southern Producers.

BOSTON, July 30.—George F. Washburn, of this city, president of the Commonwealth Club of Massachusetts, sailed for Europe today on a mission to inquire into the co-operative methods of various bodies in England, Belgium and Switzerland with a view to the formation of a \$50,000,000 cotton combination in this country.

According to an interview Mr. Washburn has worked out a plan to unite the cotton producers of the South into one great co-operative trust, with headquarters at St. Louis and central warehouses in Memphis. He said he had been selected for this mission because of the special study he had made of co-operation from a business man's point of view, and that in his judgment the only way to meet the capitalist Cotton and Wheat Trusts was to organize better and larger ones in the interests of the producer.

Mr. Washburn said that the application of the idea to the cotton industry is made because the planters being men of means can unite in a co-operative business movement and effect a tremendous saving to themselves.

A Gigantic Swindle.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 30.—George H. Phillips, of the Board of Trade, today reported to the postal authorities his discovery of an alleged attempt at a gigantic swindle. He told Inspector Stuart that the country had been flooded with circulars emanating from New York, asking for subscriptions to a \$2,000,000 fictitious pool for a deal in September corn.

Stock of Gold Increases.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—The stock of gold in the treasury today is the largest in the history of the government, and is accumulating at the rate of \$4,500,000 to \$5,000,000 a month. Today's figures are \$504,354,297, of which \$248,658,698 is free gold, but including the \$150,695,599 gold reserve. Since July 1, 1900, the stock of gold on hand has increased about \$81,000,000.

THE MARKETS.

The following quotations were received by J. K. Latham & Co., New Bern, N. C.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.	
COTTON—	Open. High. Low. Close
Aug.....	7.16 7.21 7.15 7.20
Oct.....	7.29 7.33 7.27 7.33
January.....	7.36 7.43 7.34 7.43

Chicago, Aug. 1.	
WHEAT—	Open. High. Low. Close
Sept.....	84 89 87 89
Oct.....	84 89 87 89
Nov.....	84 89 87 89
Dec.....	84 89 87 89

New York, Aug. 1.	
STOCKS—	Open. High. Low. Close
Sugar.....	141 141 140 140
So. Ry. Pfd.....	84 84 84 84
R. I. L.....	139 140 140 140
U. S. L.....	134 134 134 134
St. P.....	160 160 159 160
Tex. Pac.....	29 29 29 29
Am. C. F.....	116 116 116 116
Con. Tob.....	118 118 118 118

TOWN FINES.

Action to be Taken Against Hendersonville for Violating Law.

Action at Wake Forest College—Cunmuck Mine to Reopen. Two Veterans Critically Ill. First Regiment Camp.

RALEIGH, Aug. 1.—The State Superintendent of Public Instruction today received a letter from Henderson county saying the county board of education, after finding that the town had failed for three years to pay the fines into the school fund, called in the Mayor and agreed to let the fines for two years go unpaid if he would pay this year's fines and gave him until January 1st, to do this. The State Superintendent says this was unlawful, that the county board had no authority to make any compromise. He telegraphed to Attorney General Gilmer at Waynesville, to go to Hendersonville and take action in the matter.

The trustees of Wake Forest College decide to defer for a year the organization for a school of medicine and also a school of pharmacy. Dr. Herbert Royster of Raleigh is to be at the head of the school of medicine. It was the original plan to establish it September of this year.

Local rains fell in this section and did much good to crops. A light general rain is needed.

The phosphate mills here obtain their supply of phosphate rock from Tennessee. Today a car was opened and in it was a shepherd dog. The car had been sealed July 25. The dog was nearly dead but had endured the great heat, with no food or water.

It is expected that by September 1 the coal mine at Cunmuck will again be in operation. It was forced to shut down about a year ago by the explosion of gas which killed 20 persons and damaged the machinery. The previous explosion had killed 43.

Two inmates of the Soldiers' Home here are at death's door. One is James Aldrich of Kingston.

The shipment of peaches from Newport, near Morehead City, and from Southern Pines are very large. While the early peach crop in general is short in the State, it is large and fine at these points. The best peach is found to be the Elberta. It is declared by experts to be much finer flavor than the California peaches which are shipped eastward.

It is expected that the First regiment will take over 600 officers and men to camp next week.

The Corporation Commission devoted today to the consideration of uniform freight rates in this State on cotton.

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Fast Mail Train Held Up.

CHICAGO, July 31.—The Baltimore & Ohio passenger train from the East, which was due to arrive in the Grand Central depot, Chicago, at 9 o'clock tonight was held up by five masked men at 8 o'clock between Edgemoor and Grand Calumet Heights, Indiana, 31 miles out from Chicago. One of the mail cars which contained no money, was dynamited and wrecked. The attempt at robbery was made after the two mail cars had been detached from the train and run a quarter of a mile ahead. The failure of the robbers to make a rich haul was due to the fact that the express cars, which contained the train's treasure, was in an unusual place. It was the third car in the train. After wrecking the mail car and obtaining no booty the robbers disappeared in the darkness without attempting to rectify their mistake. The only loot that they carried away with them as a result of their adventure was the gold watch of the engineer.

What most people want is something mild and gentle, when in need of a physic. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets fill the bill to a dot. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

Motors Fired to Bring Rain.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 31.—Four miles northeast of this city tonight twenty-four mortars, posted on a twenty-acre tract, are being fired at minute intervals in the hope that the result will be a downfall of rain. W. F. Wright, former deputy State food commissioner, is the promoter and manager of the enterprise. Mr. Wright is the originator of the "special vibration" theory of rain-making and for several years has unsuccessfully opposed a legislative appropriation to pay his theory into practice. Mr. Wright says he will continue the bombardment until rain comes, or until he shall have exhausted his supply of several thousand pounds of gun powder. The sky tonight is clear.

THE GOVERNOR'S SON.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The Governor's son, who is recovering from his wounds, is expected to be discharged from the hospital today.

Cunard Line to Fight for Record.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Cunard Line has decided to fight for the Atlantic record. Designs have been prepared and estimates invited for a vessel of 25 knots although owing to the high price of iron and other causes, the order has not yet been placed. "This determination," says The Daily Telegraph, "will cause the liveliest satisfaction in Great Britain."

1,900 Per Cent. Dividend.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The Evening Post says today that James A. Davidson declared recently by the First National Bank before taking over the National Bank of the Republic was 1,900 per cent on the old capital of \$500,000. This dividend was more than large enough to enable the shareholders to pay for their share of the new stock to be issued on the increase of the bank's capital to \$10,000,000, without the outlay of other cash.

O. O. Buck, Belton, Ark., says "I was troubled with constipation until I bought DeWitt's Little Early Biscuits. Since then have been entirely cured of my ailment. I recommend them." F. S. Duffy & Co.

Cortez Given 50 Years for Murder.

DALLAS, Tex., July 31.—Gregorio Cortez was today convicted and given a sentence of 50 years imprisonment, at Gonzales, for murdering Henry Schnable, a member of a posse that was pursuing him during the long and exciting man hunt on the lower Rio Grande several weeks ago. Cortez will be taken to Kates county for trial on the charge of murdering Sheriff Morris. After that he is to stand trial for the murder of Sheriff Gower.

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Raleigh Downs Tarboro.

TARBORO, Aug. 1.—Raleigh defeated Tarboro here today by a score of 6 to 4.

Charlotte Defeats Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, Aug. 1.—The game of baseball here today resulted in a defeat of the home team by Charlotte, by the score of 3 to 0.

The laws of health require that the bowels move once each day and one of the penalties for violating this law is piles. Keep your bowels regular by taking a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when necessary and you will never have that severe punishment inflicted upon you. Price 25 cents. For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

Japanese Tea Trust.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Quick to respond to the commercial movement in the United States, the tea-growers of Japan are about to organize a trust which will seek to control the market for Japanese teas by limiting the supply.

Papers incorporating the Japan Tea Company have been drawn by Edwin Corbin, a lawyer of this city, and as soon as the organization is completed in Japan Mr. Corbin will apply for a New Jersey charter. The capitalization of the company will be between \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000, and the prospectus promises annual profits of about \$1,000,000.

James White, Bryantville, Ind., says DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve healed running sores on both legs. He had suffered 6 years. Doctors failed to help him. Get DeWitt's. Accept no imitations. F. S. Duffy & Co.

Christians in Desperate Condition.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 31.—The excitement among the Albanians at Prishtina is becoming more acute. The Christians are reported to be in a desperate condition and the foreign ministers here have made renewed demands that the Yildiz Kiosk that the government protect the lives and property of the Christians.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

The heavy department has proposed a considerable tract of land around the naval observatory in Washington in order to protect the observatory from the noise of the city. The tract is about 100 acres and is to be purchased by the government. The tract is to be purchased by the government. The tract is to be purchased by the government.

The line of Massachusetts avenue extended will cross the creek, but has been deflected at this point so as to run around it. Part of the present acquisition is high, wooded ground, and with that already owned by the government the naval observatory has a fine sweep of ground. It is expected ultimately to run a boulevard around the creek.

There are about ten acres of land within the creek yet to be acquired, including small tracts of land owned respectively by Messrs. Barnes, Fleming, Young and Barber. The grounds of the Industrial school are also within the creek. They belong to the District government and comprise a little less than seven acres. Outside the limits of the creek the government owns about 15 acres of land which it is designed to sell and use the proceeds in the purchase of private property within the creek.

Peddlers Who Sell to Federal Clerks.

Each executive office of the government has its time-honored peddler, who generally takes a stand at his or her post before the clerks arrive each morning and remain with the greatest tenacity until the last clerk leaves the department in the evening. One of the peddlers of these peddlers is an old woman known as Mistress Hayes, who sits in a cornered room at the north front of the Interior department with one eye on her Bible and the other on the lookout for customers.

Her wares are a lot of shoestrings, pins, needles, buttons and other small things such as peddlers generally sell, making in all quite a heavy stock for a center of this class. Though a devotee of many fables, this old woman, whose back is as crooked as a rainbow, pulls her small wagon through good weather and bad, never failing to take up her stand as the clerks go by. Once in awhile some one buys a trifle, but usually a little change is dropped into the cup without a purchase.

For a time it was the custom of the messenger boys to leave their bicycles at this end of the steps, while the old woman occupied a camp stool farther along in a much exposed position. Nothing this and that the bicycle corner was a snug one, Secretary Hitchcock had the boys remove their wheels, and now the old woman occupies the more comfortable place.

The secretary sometimes drops a coin in her cup, and, though she smiles that she hopes some time to save him through the medium of her quaint old Bible, she has not yet tried to persuade him. She has, however, got many of the clerks in the straight and narrow path and maintains that her business is to serve them while they buy shoestrings from her.

New Idea at Smithsonian Institution.

The Smithsonian Institution at Washington is to have a special exhibit for children. It is being arranged with a view to its educational advantage. Professor S. P. Langley conceived the idea of having a children's museum and has devoted considerable time during the past few months to its completion. One large room, immediately opposite the main entrance of the Smithsonian building, has been set aside for this purpose and has been prepared ready to receive the exhibits, some of which have been placed in position.

A special feature of the museum will be in the manner of labeling the exhibits. Common names only will be discarded. In many instances the labels will tell some important fact connected with the life of the bird or animal. A new feature of this museum for children is the presence of live birds in cages owing among others of branches. Birds and insects are shown in proximity to objects they are commonly known as.

The President's Vacation.

Enough many of his predecessors in the White House, Mr. McKinley is not a sportsman. He does not care for hunting and fishing, as both President Cleveland and President Harrison did. He is very fond, however, of horseback and delights in driving about the country. During his vacation he will spend considerable time on his farm near Canton and expects to derive much benefit from these outdoor excursions. He takes deep interest in this farm and watches closely the crops and the treatment of the soil in various fields, also the cattle and horses which are raised there under the care of a very competent husbandman. He likes to chat with this farmer about the fields and crops and last March had the old gentleman as his guest at the White House during the inaugural season. The president is anticipating much pleasure in renewing his acquaintance of the country and country folk about Canton this summer and will doubtless have more time to devote to healthful recreation than he has had in any summer since first assuming the office of president.

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