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INVESTIGATION BEGUN.

Special Session Directors on Nall Matter
Rural Free Delivery Order. Royal Arcanum Report. Morehead and Beaufort Trestle Commenced. State Charters Granted. Milk Inspectors.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept 13, 1905.—At ten o'clock this morning the special session of the directors of the state hospital for the insane here began, this having been called by Governor Glenn through Dr. James McKee, the superintendent of the hospital. The following directors met at the hour named—L. J. Picot, R. H. Stancill, S. O. Middleton, John D. Biggs, J. M. Parrott, J. G. Hunt, Edwin Smith and John W. Thompson. Dr. Whitehead did not arrive until later in the day. In the course of talks with some of the directors before the meeting they stated that they thought it best to conduct the proceedings quietly and to close doors so far as the general public is concerned, because in this way they could make a more complete investigation, without the presence of attorneys for either side in the case now before the courts, concerning the killing of Thomas Nall, which is the cause of this extraordinary meeting of the board. A stenographer was taken out to the hospital to report the proceedings and the directors stated that the full report would be given to the public.

Postmaster Bailey, who has charge of the rural free delivery routes in North Carolina is notified by the post-office department that all boxes on the routes of such carriers must be numbered, beginning at the starting point on each route. A charter is granted the Jonesboro Land & Improvement Co. with authorized capital stock of \$25,000. United States Marshal Henry Dockery who has returned from the special meeting of the 113 grand representatives of the Royal Arcanum at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, was specially interviewed regarding what was done by the body, and said: "We did not change the new rate which was recently established but we decided to assist the old members, over 65 years of age in carrying their assessments by lending them money at four per cent, and carrying one-half the dues and assessments, this to be taken out of their policies upon their death. This plan appears to be quite satisfactory to our old members. We also decided to have a volunteer fund of 20 cents annually from each member for the purpose of carrying those who are not able to meet their assessments. This is voluntary and not obligatory. Our plan as thus adopted gives relief to our older members and the new rates place the order on a perpetual basis and gives us one of the very best forms of insurance."

Charles L. Abernethy of Beaufort who arrived here today to attend the Supreme court says that work has begun on the 8,500 ft steel trestle which will connect Morehead City and Beaufort. The work is to be completed by next spring.

Charters are granted the mineral spring company of Union county, with local capital. The funeral services of Mr. Irwin T. Jones, were held today from Edenton Street Methodist Church, a number of out of town relatives and friends having come here to attend it.

Raleigh now has a milk inspection system with James S. Jordan as inspector. A license is required and all milk is examined by Prof. Stevens of the Agricultural & Mechanical College.

Letter to Rev. R. F. Bumpas
New Bern, N. C.

Rev. Sir: Three churches in Baldwinville, N. Y., have had their first lesson in Devoe.

Measrs. Osterhout & Lockwood painted the Presbyterian parsonage; estimated 90 gallons; took 22.

Measrs. Slingerland & Shutter painted the Episcopal church; estimated 40 gallons; took 29.

Of course, they estimated from what they had been using. The saving in paint and work is \$4 or \$5 a gallon. Total saving on three jobs \$125 to \$150—the painting costs two or three times as much as the paint, you know.

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GIVEN TEN DAYS

Smith Respited Because New Facts Develop.
Question of Who is Now Real State Executive, Glenn or Winslow, Negro Admits Privately Hanged.
Dilemma Unconcerned Division Pension Money.

Raleigh N. C., Sept. 14.—Yesterday Governor Glenn, from Concord, N. H., respited for ten days Peter Smith, under sentence to be hanged today at Marshall. Nothing regarding the respite was given out from the executive office yesterday. The first news your correspondent had of it was a telegram last night from Asheville, saying the authenticity of the telegram was doubted. The Private Secretary was asked today about the matter and said nothing was given out yesterday as there was nothing to give out, as the man was in a day of being hanged and a quick action was needed. He said that Attorney Ebbs for Smith asked for a respite, the telegram being addressed to Gov. Glenn. The Private Secretary says this came about one o'clock in the afternoon and that Ebbs said that he had secured evidence from the young woman in the case that she had been forced by her father to make the statement which resulted in the conviction of Smith. The Private Secretary, then consulted the Attorney General and two members of the council of the State and they advised him to telegraph Gov. Glenn, the Attorney General writing the telegram giving the facts in the case. The Governor in reply telegraphed the Private Secretary to respite Smith for ten days. The question came up whether the Governor being out of the State could in law do this, or whether Lieutenant Governor Winston is now governor. When Gov. Jarvis left the State to go to Boston in 1893, to remain a month Lieutenant Governor Jas. L. Robinson was notified to come here and as soon as Gov. Jarvis crossed the State line Lieutenant Gov. Robinson was sworn as Governor, and all the time Mr. Jarvis' absence exercised full power of Governor as to pardons, commissions etc. His letter book is in the Executive office, with the title "Letter Book, Gov. Jas. L. Robinson."

The State Pension Board in dividing the \$175,000 pension money gives the same allowance to first, second and third class pensioners and \$18 to fourth class and widows, which is an increase of four dollars for them.

Today Will Adams, the negro murderer was privately hanged in a small enclosure, roughly boarded and covered in the rear of the rear of the jail, over five hundred had applied for tickets to see the hanging, but about thirty-six saw it, today a negro who had a ticket was offered \$2.00 for the ticket but refused to sell. There was plenty of morbid curiosity to see the neck of the wretch broken. Sheriff Page himself sprung the trap. The negro called for a break fast of sausage and coffee. The execution affected the thirty prisoners in the jail very much. Negroes, included preachers and singers, were in the jail with Adams until 11 o'clock last night. His wife again went to see him this morning. He was unconcerned and said he was ready to go and had been all the time and that he had always told the truth. He is the fifth man hanged by Sheriff Page, all being murderers.

Second Night of Powhatan.
The second performance of the opera Powhatan was produced last night in the presence of a large and intensely delighted audience. It was expressed by those who saw the play both nights that the last was the best.

There were many features which would require a more extended notice than the Journal can give at this time but in the Sunday issue we will be pleased to have more to say about it.

Mr. Bumpas—What was the difference between you and me? Did you have a disagreement with me in your back yard?
Mr. Tambo—Yes, I give it up, Mr. Bumpas. What was the difference?
Mr. Bumpas—The difference between you and me, Mr. Tambo, was that you ate my food and I ate yours.

Mr. Tambo—Ladies and gentlemen, with your kind permission we will now sing "Newly Monkeys" by De Bussé, as you'll see 'til 'til cut."—Detroit Tribune.

OUR NEW REVENUE CUTTER

For Neuse River, Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds. Appropriation of \$175,000 Secured by Congressman Thomas.
Hon Charles R. Thomas has been advised by H. S. Merrill, Acting Chief Revenue Cutter Service, that the new Revenue Cutter for Neuse river, Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds, for which he secured an appropriation of One Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) at the last Congress, will soon be built. He is urging immediate construction of the vessel.

The following letter shows this vessel is to be one of the best ever constructed, and adapted to the navigation of Neuse river and the North Carolina Sounds:

Hon. C. R. Thomas, M. C.,
New Bern, North Carolina.
Sir:

1. Respectfully referring to your letter of the 9th inst regarding the new revenue steamer to be constructed for duty in Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds, I have to say that as this vessel is to be of very light draft (on y five feet) it was deemed advisable to have experiments made with the model of the vessel in a model tank at the Washington Navy Yard. After a day of over three months, owing to a large amount of experimenting being done at that place, the trials have been completed and the exact power necessary to produce the required speed has been determined.

2. This vessel is intended to be the most complete revenue cutter ever constructed. It will be of steel throughout, 150 feet in length, 31 feet beam and 5 feet draft, and will displace about 100 tons. She will have twin screws and be capable of developing 800 indicated horse power, which will easily give her a speed of 12 knots.

3. It is intended to fit this vessel with a complete electrical installation, which will include a search light, signaling apparatus and wireless telegraphy. Plans will probably be completed by the last of November, when proposals for the construction of the vessel will be solicited by public advertisements.

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Where Shall I Send My Boy to School?
I think there are several things in Bingham School, near Mehane, N. C., which commend themselves to thoughtful people who are considering where to send their boys.

An able corps of assistants, who seem to gain the affections as well as command the respect of the boys, the physical development in the gymnasium, the accuracy and neatness in penmanship, the religious influence of the Y. M. C. A., and the interest in Bible knowledge by regular systematic study of Bible principles.

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Bathers Who Sleep Floating.
"To fall asleep floating on the waves is not an impossibility," said an Atlantic City life guard. "On the sun warmed billows on an August afternoon I once floated off to sleep, and when I awoke I was nearly half a mile out at sea. I know a Camden man who often takes a floating nap off Chesapeake."

"A good many people can't float even though they can swim. They can't float because they keep the line of the body, from head to heels, stiff and straight. The line should be kept curved a little—it should resemble a very broad V—and all the muscles should be loose, relaxed. It is easy to float. I have taught many children of six and seven years to do it."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Reading Criminals.
Until the end of the eighteenth century the prisoners' dock in most important English law courts was furnished with an iron upright and collar fixed in front of the person who was being tried. If a conviction followed and the judge elected to include a degree of branding in the sentence that portion of it was carried out upon the thumb with the letters which the judge directed to be burned upon it.

TOGO'S FLAGSHIP DESTROYED

By Fire and Explosion. 599 Lives Lost. Admiral Not Aboard.
Tokio, September 12.—The Navy Department announced that the battleship Mikasa has been destroyed by fire and the explosion of her magazine, causing the loss of 599 lives, including men of other ships who went to the rescue.

The disaster to the battleship Mikasa has cast a gloom everywhere. The Mikasa was Togo's flagship and was endeared to the hearts of the people. The ship was at anchor in Sasebo harbor when the fire started at the base of the main mast at midnight. It spread with great rapidity, exploding the aft magazine, an hour after the fire had been discovered.

The Mikasa sank in shallow water and it is believed the ship can be repaired. Rescuing parties were sent from the various warships in the harbor and there were heavy casualties among them.

Various conjectures are current as to the cause of the fire. Some attribute it to an overcharge of electricity. Great relief was felt throughout Japan when it was learned that Admiral Togo was not on board the ship at the time of the fire.

A HISTORIC VOLUME.
The Bible Used by the United States Supreme Court.

Kept securely under lock and key in the supreme court room at Washington there is a small Oxford Bible around which cluster many notable and historic incidents. It was printed at Oxford in 1790, first came into the court's service in 1808 and is believed to be one of the 20,000 imported by congress a few years before. During its court career this volume has been called into service every day on which the august tribunal has held session.

The great constitutional lawyers of the formative period of our government as a prerequisite of their admission to practice before this learned body kissed its material face.

Besides the great legal lights every associate and chief justice, with the exception of Chief Justice Chase, who had a Bible of his own, and every lawyer except Daniel Webster, sworn to practice before the supreme court bar has taken his oath of allegiance on this little book. It is a tradition of the court that when Daniel Webster came before this high tribunal in his first argument in the defense of the chartered rights of his alma mater, Dartmouth college, against the legislative attacks of New Hampshire, by some strange inadvertence the oath was not administered. The tradition goes further, intimating that the judges were so impressed by the eloquence of his appeal, which stands out today as a classic in legal lore, that they either forgot or dared not mention his dereliction.

It is no wonder that this little Bible is so carefully preserved, endeared as it is with the memories of America's greatest statesmen and jurists. When a president is to be sworn the clerk of the court usually purchases a new Bible, and after the certificate has been affixed he presents it to the first lady of the land.—Leslie's Weekly.

THE CITY OF VENICE.
Its Peculiar Site and How It Came to Be Selected.

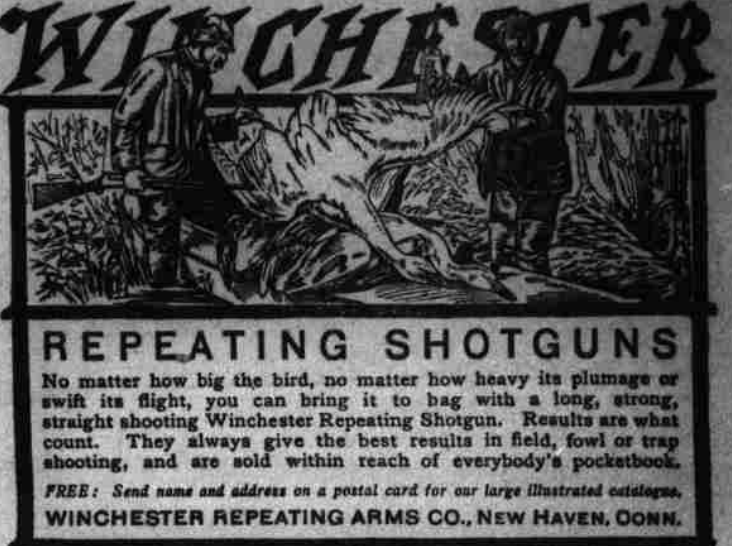
The city of Venice is approached from behind by a railroad constructed over a stretch of swamp. Out beyond this swamp was another swamp which was a little higher. It had been out of the water longer and had caught enough seaweed, sand, shells and sediment to be fit for birds to nest on.

There was one island called the Rialto, which was really quite secure, and around this one there were said to be about seventy-five or eighty other islands, which today are occupied by the city of Venice. Some of these were originally not islands at all. They were mere high places in a great bog, which, by the cutting of channels and by artificial means, were converted into more or less fit places for the erection of buildings.

Without consulting history, one could almost guess that such an unfavorable spot as this was not selected as the site for a city out of free choice, and indeed it was not. Venice was started during the fifth and sixth centuries. The inhabitants of Padua and a few more north of the Gothic and other tribes of barbarians, took refuge here in an Adriatic lagoon. The savages of Asia had no boats, so that the settlement was very safe, and, leading an independent life, prospered here by itself during the middle ages at a surprising rate.

It was a monstrous work to make the city secure from the sea. Ship loads of stone were brought from other coasts. Dams and canals were built at great cost, and the residents finally got enough of dry land about them to feel moderately safe.

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