

New Bern Weekly Journal.

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NEW BERN CRAVEN COUNTY, N. C., FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 1906.—SECOND SECTION.

29th YEAR

DEATH IN PEN

One of Trio of Gold Brick Swindlers Now Serving Terms.

Special to Jounal.
Raleigh April 10.—H. D. Hawley, one of the three men convicted six years ago of attempting to swindle Paul Garrett, wine maker, now of Norfolk, by a gold brick scheme, died in the penitentiary here today. His age was fifty. Liver disease, which had kept him in hospital most of the time caused his death. He was from New York and certain politicians there had made tremendous efforts to get him pardoned. Much money was used in his defense, and in later attempts in the Federal courts to get him released. His wife a frequent visitor here, left tonight for New York with the body. Hawley and Howard the other swindlers, were once on the State farm, but so desperate were the efforts to get their liberty, and so much money was shown, three years ago they were ordered kept here. Howard is yet in prison.

THEY COME AND GO.

Miss Jesse M. Stevens arrived yesterday from Southport, and is the guest of her brother Editor Stevens.

Mr. G. N. Ennett made a business trip to Wilmington yesterday.

Mrs. W. J. Neighbors of Cove is in the city.

Miss Henrietta Hancock left yesterday for a few days visit in Durham.

Miss Amy Guion is at Snow Hill visiting friends and relatives.

Dr. L. Shaw Andre

Eye Specialist

Eyes treated for all defects of vision. Examination for spectacles free. Office—Hotel Hazelton, New Bern, N. C. Hours 12 to 2, 6 to 8 p. m.

A Store and Lot in Oriental For Sale

A Lot 55x100 feet, and Store 22x60 feet with Shed 12x10 feet. For information apply to

J. W. JORDAN,
Oriental, N. C.

Wanted to Buy All Kinds of Southern Fruits and Vegetables

for CASH or will handle on consignment. Let me know your prices on what you have—or will take.

Stephen Whitton, Jr.,

Commission Merchant

29 York St., Utica, N. Y.

Notice of Store Purchase.

I have purchased the stock of general merchandise owned by Geo. S. Wilcox, (deceased) at Bellair, N. C. and will continue the business at the same place. Miss Lottie Wilcox will manage the business, with the assistance of Daniel Lane Jr.

We expect to carry a full line of General Merchandise and sell at New Bern prices.

We will thank all former patrons to continue with us.

Very Truly,

GUY S. LANE.

For Sale

For cash or on time one ten H P engine, one 12 H P engine, return tubular boiler; one 50 saw. Pratt Gun with feeder and condenser. Reasons for selling want to put in larger machinery. Wash Mattocks Silver Mine, N. C.

Slay Dog

A white tan female dog, followed the advertiser from Craven county and is now in his possession. The owner can receive the dog if he desires by applying to "W." Journal.

GREENSBORO

Federal Court Engaged in Counterfeiting Case

Both Silver and Gold Pieces Circulated. notorious Diecader Arrested. S. P. C. A. Meets. Death from Pneumonia. Rector Declines Call to Gates City.

(Special Correspondence.)

Greensboro, April 10.—Deputy Marshals Chandley and Bailey yesterday went to Gailey county and arrested Sid Matlock, said to be one of the most notorious and most desperate blockaders in this district. The arrest was made about 5:10 o'clock yesterday morning at Matlock's home, near Lamer post-office, and the officers had quite an exciting experience in capturing him. Matlock was brought to Greensboro yesterday and laid in jail to await his trial in Federal court on the charge of illicit distilling. The trial will take place today.

The recently organized North Carolina Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals will hold a meeting for permanent organization tonight. A Board of Directors and other officers will be elected. A large number of new names will be presented for membership.

Mr. Drury T. Ladd died yesterday at his home on North Edgeworth street, after an illness of three days with pneumonia. Mr. Ladd was formerly a member of the firm of Ladd Bros., retail grocers on West street, but lately he had been working for the Singer Manufacturing Co. He was 36 years of age and survived by a widow and three children.

Rev. Alfred Berkley who recently received call to the rectorship of St. Barnabas Episcopal church here has declined. This church as well as First Presbyterian has been without a pastor for some time although have made unsuccessful calls to pastors in other fields.

Federal court was engaged all day yesterday in the trial of G. L. Smoot and wife for counterfeiting. The government presented a long array of witnesses from Wilkes and Ashe counties and from Charlotte connecting defendants with passing counterfeit silver dollars and half dollars and five-dollar gold pieces. The defendant G. L. Smoot was the only witness examined by defense, the woman in whose possession a large quantity of spurious coin was found when she was arrested not testifying. Smoot said he thought his wife was collecting money to build a church and was himself in West Virginia under an assumed name trying to make a little money to give a lawyer to get him out of liquor trouble he had got in in Wilkes county. He had jumped a \$300 bond also. Col. Morehead for defense and Assistant District Attorney Britt for the government had concluded their argument before court adjourned last night. Major Stedman and District Attorney Holton will conclude the case this morning.

Death and Devastation From Vesuvius

Naples, April 9.—Reports of fatalities consequent upon the eruption of Mount Vesuvius are coming in. According to information received late tonight, probably as many as five hundred lives were lost. It is said that more than two hundred perished in the district of San Giuseppe, while from the ruins of a church which collapsed, owing to the weight of ashes on the roof, forty-nine corpses were extricated, and it is asserted that at Sorrento thirty-seven persons were killed by falling houses.

Cavalry proceeding to the succor of the inhabitants of the devastated section have been unable to make progress, the rain falling on the ashes a foot deep, having made it impossible for the horses to travel.

The sea is greatly agitated. The sky has cleared, but heavy clouds hang over the east, threatening a further downpour.

The streams of lava are almost stationary. Troops are erecting barriers in the direction of Pompeii to prevent further danger in that quarter.

Charged With Incendiarism

Special to Jounal.

Raleigh, April 11.—A magistrate here held M. T. Norris, a prominent Raleigh merchant in \$1,000 bond, to appear before the Superior court in July on the charge of burning a county residence owned by his wife to obtain the insurance. The case is pressed by the Insurance Department and a local insurance company. His attorneys express belief the grand jury will not return a true bill. They accuse the chief witness against Norris of having himself set fire to the house, and say he was the last man at the place before the fire. The case was very sensational. Thomas rented the place last year, sublet it, and had to pay rent. His offer of \$1,000 for it, but \$1,200 was demanded.

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SHOWS AN INCREASE

The Sale of Fertilizer Tax Tags

Condition of State Guard. Few Convicts for Pen. Insurance Collections. Cotton Yet in Texas. Growth of State Traffic. Hall of History Has New Additions.

(Special Correspondence.)

Raleigh, April 10.—Today there were placed on the walls of the Hall of History a large number of extremely fine and interesting photographs, illustrating a scene at Fayetteville, Southport, Wilmington, New Bern, Washington, Edenton, Roanoke Island, Bath and others of the oldest places in Eastern North Carolina, which was specially visited by your correspondent during the month of January. An interesting addition to the collection is made by Mr. John Blue of Aberdeen in the shape of some "Communion Tokens", these having been used by the early Scotch settlers. They were given to persons who had shown their fitness to take the communion and were then presented by the latter. These tokens are now extremely rare and it requires special effort to secure any of them, over a score of requests having been sent out. An enlarged photograph of the copy of the New Bern Gazette containing the Mecklenburg Resolutions of May 31, 1775 is to be made from the photographs taken by your correspondent at "Hays" of the original paper, which was in the Johnson collection and which is now the property of Mr. John E. Wood. The enlargement will give a picture the exact size of the paper. There is also a photograph of the letter from Daniel Cogdell of the New Bern Committee of Safety, transmitting this paper.

To show the very great extent and growth of traffic in North Carolina may be stated that the returns to the North Carolina Car Service Association show that the number of freight cars checked by it in North Carolina reached the large figure last year of 320,000, which is 37,000 more than that of the year before.

While farmers in North Carolina are thinking about planting cotton your correspondent saw large areas of cotton well above the ground in Southern Texas in mid March, in the vicinity of San Antonio, Pecos and other points along the Southern Pacific Railway. There is a good deal of cotton yet held in Texas, but it does not seem that farmers there held nearly so tenaciously as they did in this State this season. It may perhaps interest people to know that there are more cotton mills in Raleigh than there are in the whole State of Texas.

Insurance Commissioner Young has paid into the State Treasury as the collections for March, \$9,055, making the total for the year ended March 31, reach the large figure of \$205,124, this being an increase of \$7,721 over the previous year.

Commissioner of Agriculture Patterson says the sale of fertilizer tax tags this season so far are somewhat in excess of those last year to this date. He says he expects there will be some increase during the entire season of spring.

Inquiry was made at the Adjutant General's department as to the condition of the National Guard of this State. The organizations are up to the limit, there being 36 companies of infantry making 3 regiments. The Naval Reserves are very short now, there being only two divisions, while the Navy Department allows eight in North Carolina. The two existing are at New Bern and Wilmington. It has been said that an effort would be made to divide the division at Windsor. The supplies for this force are kept in an arsenal at New Bern. The total strength of the National Guard is about the same as it was last year, nearly about 2,000. As yet it is not known what equipment will be ordered this year.

The arrivals of convicts at the penitentiary recently has been very small. The number of State convicts, in fact, dwindles steadily from year to year, the counties absorbing them for their own purposes, mainly road developments. Two convicts were brought from Chowan today, one a woman and the other a man, the former for infanticide and the other for burglary, both being negroes.

Old Time Dances for Confederates

New Orleans April 12:

The entertainment committee of U. C. V. Reunion to be held in New Orleans April 25, 26 and 27 has issued a call to veterans from other cities to arrange their "sets" for an old-time Southern cotillion and Virginia reel which will be led by General Stephen D. Lee and Mrs. General Braxton Bragg on the night of Thursday April 29th. It is desired that each locality make up its own set so as to be prepared to participate in the biggest single dance ever given in the South. The old St. Louis Hotel which is immediately opposite the reunion hall has been fitted up with 3000 cots with electric lights, and other conveniences, all of which will be free to the veterans. The Railroads have made reduced rates to New Orleans for the occasion and from the present outlook the indications are that the attendance will exceed even that of the big reunion held here in 1876.

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