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## THE FLEET AT HOME AGAIN

A RECEPTION GIVEN AROUND THE WORLD WANDERERS THAT EQUALS ANY THEY HAVE RECEIVED

## HOLIDAY WEEK IN NORFOLK

Fleet Comes Into the Harbor at Noon President-Elect at the Receiving Point Saluted as the Grim Agents of Destruction Pass by. Crowds Number Hundreds of Thousands. Many of the Officers' Wives and Sweethearts There Possible Disposition in Near Future.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 22.—Just a few minutes later than the time appointed at noon today the around the world battleship fleet passed between the historical Capes Charles and Henry and were greeted by the President aboard his yacht the Mayflower and a myriad of craft were just outside the prescribed line that were filled with eager passengers ready to welcome the Uncle Sam's sailors to their homes and firelands. The day though somewhat marred by rain was not unpleasant in other respects the sea being comparatively smooth. The city is overflowing with strangers at no time not even during the exposition has the city been so flooded with guests. There are many of them relatives of the officers and sailors of the fleet and to whom the home-coming is fraught with more interest than to the mere casual observer. Some of these are the particular guests of the hotels and have a choice of the best rooms and a first claim on all that is good at the city's service. Of this favored contingent ladies, the wives and sweethearts of the officers, Jack tarts made the memorable cruise.

The fleet is composed of 20 battleships, 2 or more cruisers, and three scouts. The torpedo boats, and torpedo boat destroyers which made a separate detail of the cruise have been assigned to other duties and only a few are present at this demonstration. Sixteen of these destroyers represented the Atlantic Battleship Fleet.

The composition of the fleet upon its arrival was as follows:  
FIRST DIVISION  
Connecticut (flagship of Rear-Admiral Sperry, commander in chief), Captain Hugo Osterhaus; Kansas, Captain John Hubbard, Vermont, Captain Frank F. Fletcher.  
SECOND DIVISION  
Rear-Admiral Walworth, commander; Georgia (flagship of Rear-Admiral Walworth), Captain Temple Potts, Nebraska, Captain Richard F. Nicholson; New Jersey, Captain William H. H. Southland; Rhode Island, Captain Joseph B. Muldeck.  
THIRD DIVISION  
Rear-Admiral Beaton, Schroeder, commander; Louisiana (flagship of Rear-Admiral Schroeder), Captain Captain Kossuth Niles, Virginia, Captain Alexander Sharp, Ohio, Captain Thomas B. Howard, Missouri, Captain Robert M. Doyle.  
FOURTH DIVISION  
Rear-Admiral William P. Potter, commander; Wisconsin, (flagship of Rear-Admiral Potter), Captain Frank E. Beatty, Illinois, Captain John M. Cook, Kentucky, Captain R. Hutchins, Kentucky, Captain C. Cowles.  
THIRD SQUADRON  
Rear-Admiral Conway H. Arnold, commander; Maine (flagship of Rear-Admiral Arnold), Captain William B. Caperton, Mississippi, Captain John C. Fremont, Idaho, Captain James M. Falk, New Hampshire, Captain Cameron McR. Winslow, North Carolina, Captain William A. Marshall, Montana, Captain Alfred Reynolds, Birmingham, Captain Barnet T. Walling, Chester, Commander Henry B. Wilson, Salem, Commander Albert E. Key.

ARMADA WILL REASSEMBLE HERE MAY 17TH.  
Present plan for the future disposition of the battleship fleet is to have them reassemble at the Hampton Roads on May 17. The ships will then prepare for maneuvers and target practice in Cape Cod Bay.  
TEMPORARY DISPOSITION OF SHIPS.  
How long the fleet will remain in being discussed largely at Fort Monro by those who already bear that the day will be over for top men to suit them.  
According to present arrangements the fleet will remain in Hampton Roads until after which they will be sent to the navy yards to have their hulls scraped, boilers cleaned, machinery overhauled and painted work renovated. The vessels, later to be selected, will remain in Hampton Roads until after the inauguration of Mr. Tatt. The Illinois, the Kearsarge and the Kentucky are to be temporarily placed out of commission. Their places in the fleet are to be taken by the new battleships—Mississippi, Idaho and New Hampshire.  
During the time that the fleet lies at anchor off Old Point, members of the Senate and House Naval Committees will make an inspection of the vessels, while foreign naval attaches will probably make an effort to obtain as much information as possible.  
GUNNERS MADE EXCELLENT RECORDS.  
Another important and pleasant surprise which the globe girding cruise brought forth was the excellent records made by the battleships in target practice. The Vermont flying the pennant of battle efficiency, will come in for the lion's share of congratulations when she steams to port.  
The President made special reference in his speech to the individual gunners for their excellent work at target shooting. He also complimented the newly enlisted men for their splendid deportment and marksmanship.  
SAILORS HAVE CREATED A FAVORABLE IMPRESSION.  
The celebrations on shore have also shown the bluejackets in a new light to the American people, who previously believed that the sailors were an oppressed lot and counted no days from port to port when at sea. It is true that the sailors enjoyed their shore leave, but it is equally true that they took the most active interest in the work assigned to them aboard ship. If private letters from the officers and men of the fleet received here are any criterion the men were on the whole happier when at sea than when on shore.  
From all reports the officers and men of the fleet made a lasting and splendid impression on all foreigners with whom they came in contact.  
The fleet visited South American countries, Australia, Japan, China and touched at European ports. Diplomatic representatives of South America have taken special pains to see the officers and men on every occasion since the ships were there. Sixteen of these sea fighters represented the Atlantic battleship fleet of the United States navy. Fourteen of the fighting machines, looking as sleek and span as if cut for a morning run, have just completed a cruise of 42,227 miles.  
Led by the battleship Connecticut, flagship of Rear-Admiral Sperry, commander-in-chief of the fleet, many of the vessels had about the same positions they occupied opposite Fort Monroe on December 16, 1907, before starting on their record breaking cruise.  
All these vessels were in as fit condition as if they had remained at anchor in the bay from December 16, 1907, until now. It is even declared that if Rear-Admiral Sperry were asked to again take the fleet around the world he would notify his superior that as soon as his ships were loaded and provisioned he would be ready to start.  
The vessels sailed in at about ten knots speed, each ship four hundred yards apart and following column formation just as they ploughed through the waters of three oceans. Whichever the Connecticut was the "lead" bearing a quarter of a point off the port quarter of the Connecticut. The Minnesota, bearing a fifth of a point off the starboard of the flagship was third in line, and then came the other vessels following the positions taken by the first two ships.  
These positions are taken so that the signals from the flagship can be easily distinguished, for if the fleet were in direct column the leading vessels would be obstructed by the others.

Rust proof seed oats, seed rye and Crimson Clover, at Charles B. Hill's, 25 Middle street.  
The Educational Loan.  
Raleigh, Feb. 23.—The State board of education lent \$51,000 to 29 counties for building school houses, Wake getting \$8,000 and Durham \$5,000. There are requests for \$20,000 and \$10,000 which amount would be called for if available.  
FOR HESTY.  
The farm known as the David Gaskins place, located north side Hester river eight miles from Vanceboro, suitable for corn, cotton, tobacco, peas, potatoes, and any crop grown in this section. For further information apply to W. E. GASKINS, 42 Orleans street.

## BILL AGAINST SUNDAY EXCURSIONS

POWER GIVEN TO GOVERNOR TO APPOINT JUDGES FOR SPECIAL COURTS.

## REVENUE BILL DISCUSSED

State School Appropriation Inevitable. Domestic Insurance Companies to Establish Guaranty Fund. Regulation as to the Running Sunday Freight Trains. Both Branches Adjourn Early in Commemoration of Washington's Birthday and the World Encircling Fleet.  
Special to Journal.  
Raleigh, Feb. 23.—Bills were introduced in the House, to prevent Sunday excursions, in Bertie and Northampton counties.  
To allow the governor to appoint judges for special courts.  
To make all rural free delivery routes public highways.  
The House devoted most of its session to the revenue bill, making no changes of importance, adjourned in honor of Washington's memory.  
Bills were introduced in the Senate:  
To increase the state appropriation to public schools from \$100,000 to \$150,000.  
To allow domestic insurance companies to establish a guaranty fund.  
The bill to allow through freight trains to run Sunday's when made up outside the state, and destined for points outside, with no stopping in North Carolina, was discussed and passed. The Senate adjourned in honor of Washington and of the "world encircling fleet."  
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## CORN AND COTTON EXPOSITION

A Fine Arrangement to Show the Agricultural Accomplishments in the South to be Held in Chicago.  
Special Correspondence.  
Raleigh, Feb. 24.—Commissioner of Agriculture Graham has a letter from Chicago announcing that a corn and cotton exposition is to be held there next autumn, expressing a desire that this state shall participate and desiring to know whether the state will participate and whether it is in position to do so. Commissioner Graham says that under the immigration act this state can make an exhibit there. It is under this act that it publishes the various bulletins announcing lands on sale in this state and also those containing lists of persons who desire to secure properties. There is a bill before the legislature to repeal this immigration law. The Republicans attacked the law in their last campaign and arduously now trying to carry out pledges then made.  
Painfully Injured.  
Mr. C. H. Banks, an employee of the Roper Lumber Co., was badly injured at Pollockville yesterday afternoon. He was at work loading logs on the train and was caught by a log falling on him and causing a fracture of the right leg. He was brought to the Stewart Sanatorium, and it was found that he was not seriously wounded, but suffered some pain. He will be confined for several weeks. He also suffered numerous bruises.

## SOUTHERN PINES GETS PRACTICE NATIONAL LEAGUE

North Carolina City Selected by the Philadelphia Team for the Professional Playoff.  
Raleigh, Feb. 24.—The Philadelphia National Baseball League team will be training at Southern Pines this season and will reach there on the morning of March 1st, remaining about three weeks. On the 6th of March the team of the Agricultural and Mechanical College will go to Southern Pines and play the Phillies whose headquarters will be at the Pine Woods Inn. The team from Trinity College, Durham, will play the Phillies at Southern Pines March 18th and Chas. M. Gantt of the Seaboard Air Line is now arranging for the Davidson college team to go there March 22, on which date it is expected to run excursion trains from Raleigh, Durham and Charlotte to Southern Pines at extremely low rates. It will cost only a dollar from Raleigh to Southern Pines March 26th. This is a very strong team from Philadelphia and will of course put up a fine game.

## NO PENALTY INCREASE YET

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—It seems very safe to say from what can be gathered that there will be no increase in the amount of penalties during this year and next year. Each year there has been a small increase in the number of penalties on the rail in spite of the heavy death rate and perhaps this increase may continue this year.

## ONCE MORE THE BACHELOR

Love Horn Maiden Writes a Soulful Billet Doux to Rekindle Languishing Fires.

Last summer the Journal published some amatory correspondence but it was cut short and we thought that there had been one more case where there were:  
"Two souls with but a single thought,  
Two hearts that beat as one."  
But we were mistaken as we here-with find an epistle to his crusta can majesty and if his heart doesn't melt at this he is a boiler plated old wretch—so there now!  
My dear Bachelor:  
No letter again, you are really growing intolerably negligent and I shall know you are growing tired of me, and that some new attraction is in the field. Knowing how anxious I am, respecting your health and welfare, I am sure you will give me credit of not writing for idle jealousy, at thought I really feel grieved and anxious at your neglect. But for some cause I feel sure you just overlooked my last letter and did not see it at any rate I am going to try to convince their king and if there is one thing that can console me from my unpayable absence, from your side, it is the pleasure of being able to pen a few lines to express how ever, feebly by continued and increasing appreciation for you.  
And I do hope that your affairs are in a rapid state of settlement, and I shall soon hope to bask in the sunshine with thoughts of happiness, which your playful and sincere disposition will hereafter shed around a home.  
I need hardly say how eagerly I watch for the post and how now I cherish every line that bears the evidence of my dear ones affection and how gratefully every sentiment that flows from your pen is treasured in my memory. I have no news just at the present. Indeed I am too much out of spirits to write at any great length. Pray hasten to remove all doubt from the mind of one whose thoughts day and night are upon you only.  
YOUR SAME LITTLE BLUE-EYED GIRL—YOU KNOW WHO.

## HEARING, SPECIAL MASTER NORFOLK & SOUTHERN RAILWAY

A number of persons were present yesterday at the hearing of Special Master Percy S. Stephenson for the Norfolk & Southern Railway held in the United States Court room here. The claims of farmers whose lands had been flooded by the forest canal were specially set for yesterday. They claim that the railroad had emptied large quantities of water up on their lands which had naturally flowed in the other road directions before the building of the road. The master, witnesses and lawyers and others go out on a special train to the canal to view the property this morning.  
Mr. R. H. Rush, a court stenographer from Norfolk is taking the testimony. Several claims for damage to stock and for supplies furnished by company were filed yesterday.  
Col. D. L. Ward represents the majority of the farmers' claims and Hon. W. W. Whedbee, of Greenville, appearing for the railroad.  
The master stated that claims could still be filed with him against the company if they were contracted before July 1, 1908.  
He also said that the impression seemed to have gone abroad that all creditors were required to do, was to file their claims with him, but that he could not pass upon them, unless the creditors appeared personally or by counsel and offered evidence in support of their contentions against the road.  
At the hour for adjournment the claim of the New Bern Iron Works for about \$1,200, for which is setting up both a mechanics and an equitable lien had just been completed. Mr. W. D. McIver represented the plaintiff.

## DEATH OF MRS. S. F. PATTERSON

Special Correspondence.  
Raleigh, Feb. 24.—Regret is expressed at the sudden death of Mrs. Samuel F. Patterson of Caldwell county, whose husband the Commissioner of Agriculture died last September. She was at Winston, Salem at the bedside of a relative of her late husband when she was suddenly stricken. Letters from her were received two or three days ago by her friends here.

## IN MEMORIAM

On the morning of February 19, the death angel visited the home of S. B. Holland, and took away his loving wife, Maggie.  
A darling one from us has gone, God took her from our sight, From this sad world of trouble, To one of joy and light.  
He needed one more angel, Amid his shining band, So with loving welcome smiles, He closed our dear mother's hand.  
A DAUGHTER.  
Cedar Point, Feb. 21, 1909.

## THE EDUCATIONAL BILL REJECTED

TELEGRAPH COMPANIES REQUIRED TO PAY TAXES OF 1908 AND 1904 PREVIOUSLY DECLARED ILLEGAL.

Homestead Law Repealed. Board of Public Charities Abolished. Very Little Progress Made in the Revenue Bill. Increase of Confederate Home, in Raleigh. There will be something of a fight on the Anti-Trust Bill.  
Special to Journal.  
Raleigh, Feb. 23.—In the House the committee on the constitutional amendment favorably reported Haymores, educational bill to extend the time of educational qualification for voters until 1916 it having expired last year.  
The bill repealing the homestead law was reported without prejudice. Bills were introduced to require Western Union and other companies to pay taxes for 1903-4, which the federal court declared illegal.  
To abolish the state board of public charities.  
The bill amending the constitution as to the educational qualification was referred to the judiciary committee which means its death. The House went into committee on the whole on the revenue bill but little progress was made owing to filibustering.  
In the Senate bills were introduced increasing the appropriation for the Confederate soldiers home at Raleigh.  
To give the Corporation Commission control over electric companies whose power is water generated.  
The Lockhart trust bill was the special order was strongly supported by him is extremely drastic and is really that introduced two years ago by Senator Justice of Guilford county.  
The majority of the committee entered Manning substitute adding its amendment giving the Attorney General full power to prosecute and send for witnesses.  
Yet another amendment will be added, giving power to examine officers of corporations. It is understood that this amended the substitute will pass.  
Opponents of Lockhart bill claim it was buried two years ago and its proposed punishments are unwarranted one making violation of the law a felony.

## SUPREME COURT OPINIONS

Special to Journal.  
Raleigh, Feb. 24.—Supreme court filed following Opinions yesterday:  
Piano Co. vs Sprull, Washington, reversed.  
Sample vs Lumber Co. Tyrrell, new trial.  
Spence vs Canal Co., Camden, no error.  
Green vs Rodman, Beaufort, affirmed.  
Hamilton vs S. A. L., Halifax, affirmed.  
Tyson vs Jones, from Pitt, affirmed.  
Edwards vs Faircloth, Greensboro, affirmed.  
Edwards vs Bank, from Greens, reversed.  
Chapman vs Lawhorn, Pitt, affirmed.  
Cowles vs Lumber Co. Craven plain (affs appeal, new trial, defendants appeal, affirmed).  
Smith vs Moore, from New Hanover, petition to rehear and motion for new trial both denied.  
Winslow vs Hardwood Co., Perquimans, per curiam, affirmed.  
National Finance vs Burgwyn Halifax, per curiam, affirmed.  
Garman vs Benthall Hertford, per curiam, affirmed.  
Smith vs Hembly, Pitt, per curiam, affirmed, on authority of Norton vs McLaurin, 135 N. C., and 185 and Peppye vs Clegg, 123 N. C., 112.

## MAN WHO NEARLY KILLED HIS SON, WITH A FISH SPEAR BOUND OVER TO COURT.

John Kenyon the negro who on Sunday, February 14, attacked his wife and son and stabbing the latter in the breast with a fish spear inflicting a very serious wound was on trial before Justice of the Peace, S. R. Street yesterday and probable cause found for binding him over to the Superior court for trial for assault with a deadly weapon. His bond was fixed at \$50 which was furnished.  
The case of William McCoy was also on trial for stealing of more than passing interest. It developed that McCoy is alleged to have stolen a valise or suit case from Rev. S. L. Mann, a colored minister, Tuesday evening. The latter had taken passage on the schooner Wave to go to Carteret county to preach. He had set his valise down on the deck and turned aside to talk to a friend and almost "right before his very face" the valise was taken away. It is said that the thief thought the suit case contained liquor. The loss of the valise was advertised and the police notified and the arrest of McCoy was the result.  
Probable cause was found in his case also for being bound over to Superior court under \$50 bonds, which he was unable to give.  
McCoy had just returned from the roads for a similar offense.  
Calcutta, because of the high rate of infant mortality has appointed a female sanitary inspector at \$50 a month.

## WANTED 50 MEN AND WOMEN

Davis Pharmacy, the enterprising druggist, are advertising today for fifty men and women to take advantage of the special half price offer they are making on Dr. Howard's celebrated specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia, and get a fifty cent package at half price, 25 cents.  
So positive are they of the remarkable power of this specific to cure these diseases, as well as sick headaches and liver troubles, that they agree to refund the money to any customer whom this medicine does not quickly relieve and cure.  
With Dr. Howard's specific at hand you can eat what you want, and have no fear of ill consequences. It strengthens the stomach gives perfect digestion, regulates the bowels, creates an appetite, and makes life worth the living.  
This is an unusual opportunity to obtain 60 doses of the best medicine ever made for half its regular price, with the personal guarantee of a well known business man to refund the money if it does not give satisfaction.  
Davis Pharmacy has been able to secure only a limited supply of the specific, so great is the demand, and you should not delay taking advantage of the liberal offer that they are making this week.

## JOHN KENYON ARRAIGNED

Man Who Nearly Killed his Son, With a Fish Spear Bound Over to Court.

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## SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX BILL PASSED

THE LOCKHART ANTI-TRUST BILL VIGOROUSLY ARGUED PRO AND CON. ORIGINAL BILL REJECTED.  
POLL TAX LAW WILL REMAIN  
Presenting Worthless Checks Prima Facie Evidence of Fraud. Bill to Prevent the Sale of Quail for Two Years Doomed. Favorable Report on Capital Improvement Bill. The Draining of Mattamuskeet Lake Sanctioned. Fruit and Truck Grower Interest to be Protected. Fishing in Albemarle Sound to be Regulated.  
Special to Journal.  
Raleigh, Feb. 23.—A bill was introduced in the Senate making attorneys receiving contingent fees responsible for costs.  
The bill providing for a special tax in every school district if necessary to conduct four months school and for a just distribution of state school funds, passed.  
Senator Lockhart took a new step by offering his drastic anti-trust bill as an amendment to the Bassett-Blow substitute which is favorably reported by a majority of the committee. Earnest debate followed which was continued tonight. Lockhart's bill being rejected.  
In the House a bill repealing the law requiring payment of poll tax as a pre-requisite for voting was unfavorably reported.  
The bill making worthless checks prima facie evidence of fraud was favorably reported.  
The Republicans filed a minority report on the bill extending seven years longer the educational qualification for voters, which the majority and unfavorably reported.  
The bill preventing sale of quail for two years and limiting which has passed the Senate was defeated.  
The drainage bill passed in readings.  
The Senate and House Committee on public buildings, decided to recommend favorably a bill appropriating \$500,000 for enlarging the present capitol and also to favorably report a bill allowing the Agricultural Department to guarantee \$100,000 bonds and erect its own buildings.  
The Senate and House committee on Agriculture decided to favorably report the bill to drain Mattamuskeet Lake, the largest in North Carolina, which covers 50,000 acres which will come available for farms and will develop as much more farming land around it.  
In the legislature today bills were introduced to give Tyrrell the road law.  
To protect sturgeon in Albemarle Sound.  
To protect and encourage fruit and truck growing.  
To regulate fishing in Albemarle Sound.

## COLORED PEOPLE AT THE INAUGURATION

The colored citizens of Washington are making great preparations for a suitable representation at President Tatt's inaugural day exercises have been sent out announcing the plans adopted which exceed in grandeur anything ever attempted.  
Nothing that will doubly accentuate their unity will be qualified and to make it will be to win the esteem of Mr. Tatt. The first of the inauguration will see sixty thousands of colored men and women in the streets.  
An organization mentioned has secured convention hall—the largest in the city, where they will receive and entertain the great throng. The several auxiliary chairman of the local committee on public comfort are authorized to extend invitations to the reception to all New Bern people who expect to be in Washington on that occasion.  
The guests are admitted on their invitation but must be provided with a supper ticket which will cost one dollar. Invitations and supper tickets may be obtained of the local chairman or of Daniel Harvey, 223 E. Street, Washington, D. C.  
Prof. I. H. Smith has been appointed chairman of the local auxiliary committee and any information may be obtained from him.

## FOR HESTY

The Grant farm, situated on the shore New Bern on both sides of the public road and on the main street is a large one. Apply to D. Ward, New Bern.