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Following Its Spread Excitement is Great in Mexico City

CANNONADING AND RIFLE FIRING BEGINS AGAIN

Another American Killed—Rifle Ball Narrowly Misses Wilson

Mexico City, Feb. 15.—A rumor was current here tonight that President Madero had been shot. Great excitement prevailed following the spread of the rumor, but it could not be confirmed. Madero is not at the palace, but it is believed to be possible that he is on the firing line with General Huerta, who is in charge of the Federal troops.

Clearing the Streets.

Soldiers are clearing San Juan Letran street in front of the cable office, saying that there will be firing on the building. Cannonading and rifle firing began again late in the afternoon following a brief respite.

Federal troops in the State of Oaxaca and in Tehuacan are reported to be in revolt and to be coming here to aid General Diaz, the rebel leader.

Ambassadors are trying to arrange a daily armistice of certain hours to allow people to get about the city without danger. They are also asking for a well-defined neutral zone.

The Government has decided the protest of Perry and Wilson, the former Ambassador, and removed the American battery from the vicinity of the American embassy.

Another American Killed

R. E. Meredith, agent for the National Cash Register Company, was killed this afternoon by a rain of bullets as he was entering Porter's Hotel which he had just left. He was shot in the back by the American women and children.

Sidney Sutherland, an American reporter, was shot in the leg in the same attack. A rifle ball entered the American ambassador's office, missing Ambassador Wilson's head only a few inches.

Ambassador Wilson has invited the British, German, Spanish and French ministers to confer with him on Madero's refusal to resign.

Proclaims Himself President

Emilio Vasquez, General's former Madero lieutenant, crossed the line into Mexico today and proclaimed himself President.

Women like to attend a social function in order that they may be able to criticize it properly.

JACKSONVILLE HAPPENINGS

Baptists To Build Parsonage—Traveling Man Gets Better

(Special to the Journal) Jacksonville, Feb. 13.—The members of the Baptist congregation at Jacksonville have decided to erect a parsonage for the convenience of the pastors whom they call to the service of the church. The exact location of the parsonage has not been determined, but this and other preliminary questions will be settled at an early date and the actual building will soon begin.

E. C. Harrell of Elizabeth City, traveling salesman who on last Friday afternoon was accidentally shot near Dixon by Miss Eva Foy, a daughter of J. E. Foy of that place, is now recovering and in a few days will be able to return to his home.

Next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be service in the court house at this place. The public is invited to attend.

ORPHAN GIRL IS BURNED TO DEATH

Nellie Gray Jones, Aged Five Years, Falls Into Fire and Sustains Fatal Injuries.

DEATH RESULTS IN FEW HOURS

Left Alone a Few Minutes, She Was Found With Clothing in a Blaze.

News of a distressing accident which occurred in Number Two town-hill late Thursday afternoon and which caused the death of Nellie Gray, a little orphan girl five years of age, reached this city yesterday.

The parents of the victim of the accident died several years ago and while she was not more than an infant she was taken into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse R. Everington, since that time has lived with them.

Thursday afternoon Mrs. Everington and the little girl were sitting in the former's bed room beside an open fireplace in which there was a roaring fire. Mrs. Everington was called from the room for a few minutes and left the little girl alone, little thinking that harm would befall her. A few seconds after leaving the room Mrs. Everington heard frantic screams and rushing back to the room found that the little girl was enveloped in flames.

She seized a rug from the floor and with this managed to extinguish the child's blazing clothing. However, she had been so badly burned that death ensued a few hours later.

It is supposed that the little girl got too near the blazing wood in the fireplace and that the clothing became ignited from this. The little victim was loved by all who knew her and her painful death was the cause of grief in many hearts.

ISSUES FOR BEING PUT OFF TRAIN

Thomas Hill, Colored, Wants Coast Line to Pay Him Two Thousand Dollars.

SAYS HE BOUGHT A TICKET

Thought It Was To New Bern, But It Turned Out To Be To Some Other Place.

One of the most interesting cases taken up at yesterday's session of Superior Court was one in which Thomas Hill, colored, is suing the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company for damages in the sum of two thousand dollars for being put off one of the trains after he had purchased a ticket and had the same in his possession. From the evidence introduced during the trial it seems that Hill was working in Wilmington and that he wanted to come to New Bern to visit his mother. Having only a small sum of money he purchased a ticket, presumably to New Bern and had only thirty cents remaining.

Being illiterate he was unable to read the destination printed on the ticket and did not know it was a ticket to another city. He claims that the conductor told him he could not ride on that ticket on that division of the road and was told to leave the train. He contends that he did this and was compelled to walk back to the city of Wilmington and being physically unable to do this was greatly injured by being compelled to do so. The railway people claim that the man's story is incorrect. The counsel on both sides are making a hard fight in the case which will probably be placed in the hands of the jury by noon.

In the case of Grantham vs. Grantham, a separation proceeding which was decided in favor of the plaintiff, Mrs. Grantham, on the previous day, the attorneys for the defendant yesterday asked for a new trial. Judge Allen has not yet rendered his decision as to whether or not this will be granted.

In the case of James Quinley vs. Miles Simmons, in which the plaintiff was suing for a balance of one hundred and sixteen dollars which he claimed was due on a note given by Simmons in favor of the defendant, Richardson vs. Two divorce cases were disposed of during the day. In the case of Charles Tankford vs. Melissa Tankford a jury rendered a verdict on favor of the plaintiff and granted a divorce. In the case of Richardson vs. Susan Richardson the jury also found in favor of the plaintiff and granted a divorce.

CHARGED WITH THEFT

Samuel Small Awaits Superior Court Trial

Samuel Small, eighteen years old, was placed under arrest Monday night at Savannah, Ga., by a railroad detective on a warrant charging him with being implicated in the theft of a number of boxes of tobacco from the Norfolk Southern Railway Company's cars at this place.

The alleged theft was committed several weeks ago and young Small left the city a short time later. Another young man who is said to have been connected with the robbery is now under indictment and will be tried at the next term of court.

Small was brought to New Bern and placed in the county jail, being released yesterday afternoon when he gave a \$100 bond for his appearance at the next term of superior court.

OTHER COURTES SHOULD ASSIST

Judge Allen Thinks Neighboring Districts Concerned in Monument Project.

EXPLAINS VIEWS ON SUBJECT

No Admirer of De Graffenried But Approves of Monument To His Colony.

Several members of the committee in charge of the erection of a monument in this city to the De Graffenried Colony met at the home of R. A. Nunn last evening for the purpose of conferring upon the subject with Judge O. H. Allen of Kingston.

A few months ago during the time that the campaign for funds to be used in the erection of this memorial was in progress Judge Allen had published an article in which he gave his views upon the proposed erection of this memorial. At that time Judge Allen understood that the memorial was to be erected in memory of De Graffenried, personally, and cited several instances in which his conduct was not all that it should have been.

Last evening Judge Allen stated that since learning that the memorial was to be erected not to Baron De Graffenried alone but to his colony as a whole, he was heartily in favor of the movement and earnestly hoped that it would prove to be a complete success. Judge Allen is well read in the history of the early settlement of this country and is considered to be an authority upon the subject. He stated that De Graffenried had treated the colonists whom he brought here in an ungrateful manner and had taken advantage of them in every way possible and personally he deserved little credit for what had been accomplished.

It is Judge Allen's opinion that the citizens of New Bern should be assisted in the work of erecting this memorial by the citizens of Onslow, Pender, Duplin, Jones, Lenoir and Wayne counties for he has found unmistakable evidence that many of the members of the colony brought here by De Graffenried moved to those places and traces of them can yet be found.

Judge Allen is heartily in favor of the erection of this memorial and said that he thought it would be a fitting tribute to the memory of the men and women who underwent untold hardships to make the settlement of New Bern a permanent one.

Contributions to the memorial fund are coming in, although slowly at this time and the amount of subscriptions and donations in the hands of S. M. Brinson, one Judge Allen's friend and Public Schools, who is treasurer of the fund, is very encouraging. Within a few weeks the active campaign for funds to be used in its erection will be resumed and it is hoped that the full amount necessary to erect the memorial will be assured at that time.

NEW BERN LEADS 'EM ALL.

While the merchants in other towns in Eastern North Carolina are complaining about the lack of business, the merchants of New Bern, except during the winter months, are doing a splendid business, say that their business is the best that they have ever had at this season of the year. Such a condition as this clearly demonstrates the fact that New Bern is the liveliest city in this section of the State.

BOYS PREPARING FOR BIG DEBATE

New Bern vs. Washington and New Bern vs. Elizabeth City on Next Friday Night.

DISCUSS "VOTES FOR WOMEN"

The Past Week Was Examination Week—Trying Time For Teachers and Pupils.

The boys chosen to represent New Bern in the debates with Washington and Elizabeth City are busy getting their speeches ready. The question "Resolved that the Constitution of North Carolina be so amended as to give women the right to vote under the same qualifications as men," is a five one and will, of course, prove interesting. On the affirmative, Charlie Hollister and Fred Cohen will speak and on the negative, George Green and Robert Thornton.

The first debate will be on next Friday night, February 21st, in the school auditorium. Washington will send her negative team over to meet our affirmative team. Our negative side will go to Elizabeth City to meet their affirmative side there on the same night.

Examinations.

This has been a trying week in school both for pupils and teachers. Examinations tell the tale. The only happy persons on the Green were those who made 90 or over on each subject during the term. After roll call these wise ones were dismissed for the day, while those who made less than 80 remained to struggle with the examinations which were necessary for promotion.

Regular systematic work counts two-thirds as an examination counts one-third in school work and reports.

The average daily attendance during January in the white school was 772.65 and in the colored school 512.70, making the total average daily attendance during the month 1285.35.

All children between the ages of 6 and 21 years of age reside in the city of New Bern, except those who are dumb or blind or such as may be afflicted with contagious or infectious diseases or exposed to the same shall be admitted free of charge.

Children who have not taken up their residence in the City of New Bern with the purpose of regaining permanently, and all children whose parents or guardians reside elsewhere or who shall have removed to New Bern only temporarily for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the school, shall pay reasonable tuition charges prescribed by the Board.

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All tuition shall be due and payable in advance during the first week of each month. All persons not paying same in this time are to be excluded from school after the first week of the month.

Pupils not admitted free shall pay tuition as follows: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Grades, \$1.00 per month; 4th, 5th and 6th Grades, \$1.50 per month; 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th Grades, \$2.00 per month.

The attendance for the past week has been as follows: Monday-present 776, absent 26; Tuesday-present 772, absent 33; Wednesday-present 769, absent 45; Thursday-present 771, absent 28; Friday-present 736, absent 55.

In order that time may be gained in arranging the grades and assigning the teachers to their work, pupils will come to school on Monday one hour later than usual and school will open at 10 instead of 9 o'clock. The regular bells will be rung about one hour later than usual.

This arrangement will give time before school opens to get the full reports of the teachers on the numbers promoted and the size of the new grades.

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GOOD LOCATION, TOO Only It Would Be Better If It Were Closer to New Bern.

(Special to the Journal) Russell's Creek, Feb. 14.—Our town is situated four miles west of Beaufort on the New Bern road and the inland waterway.

Sweet potato growing is engaging the attention of our farmers to quite an extent. The sweet potato is perfectly at home in old Carteret, the soil and climatic conditions suit them and with the canal at our doors we think we can send the Northerners some "taters."

We hope the Legislature will not forget our greatest need, viz., "State wide stock law." The range is gone and woods stock is almost extinct. The fence problem is a big one with us. Wire fencing is next to a failure on account of the salt spray and wood fencing is entirely out of the question.

Ducks and geese are slow about making their annual visit. What has become of the thousands of ducks that formerly swarmed in our waters?

We have several new settlers this season from Craven and adjoining counties viz., Messrs. Snowden, Moore, Morton, Skinner, Freeman and Gwinn.

THOMAS HILL, COLORED, RECOVERS THAT AMOUNT FROM COAST LINE.

At the opening of yesterday's session of Craven County Superior Court the case of Thomas Hill, colored, vs. the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company which had been continued from the previous day, was resumed.

Counsel on both sides of the case made a strong fight for their client and considerable time was taken up in the argument. The case was given to the jury before noon recess and they rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff but awarded him damages only in the sum of sixty dollars.

In this case the plaintiff was suing for damages in the sum of two thousand dollars for being put off one of the defendant's trains at a point three miles from Wilmington and was forced to walk back to that place and in addition to this his physical condition was hurt and that he was caused great hardship by not being able to reach New Bern.

At the conclusion of this case the divorce mill again got in action and the case of Robt Edward's vs. Sylvia Edwards was taken up, jury finding in favor of the plaintiff and granting him a divorce.

Judge Allen has not rendered his decision in the case of Grantham vs. Grantham in which the jury granted Mrs. R. A. Grantham a separation.

The term closes today.

In some cases money is the only sugar that sweetens matrimony.

Income of Organization Now Over Twenty-Seven Hundred Dollars

NEW BOARD DIRECTORS CHOSEN LAST NIGHT

These Will Meet Wednesday Night to Elect the Officers

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held at the Court House last evening and was largely attended, among those present being a number of new members who have become affiliated with the organization during the past few days.

At the opening of the meeting Secretary J. Leon Williams presented his report for the past year. In this report Mr. Williams stated that when he took hold of the Chamber of Commerce two years ago the receipts were only ninety dollars a month. Last year he stated, the receipts averaged \$116 a month. During the campaign waged this week one hundred and seventy six new members were added to the list and the total income of the organization from the members is now two thousand seven hundred and forty two dollars each year.

The report also showed how the Chamber of Commerce has helped in developing New Bern during the past year by working up interest in various movements and how it had advertised the city.

After the report had been read and accepted the election of the Board of Directors was taken up. It had previously been decided to elect 115 members but upon motion of William Dunn, Jr., it was decided to elect twenty-one members of the organization on this board. Ballots had been prepared and upon these the members were allowed to write the names of any members of the Chamber of Commerce whom they wanted on the Board. After this had been done and the votes collected and read, the following were found to have been elected:

E. K. Bishop, J. B. Blades, C. D. Bachman, J. A. Bryan, L. H. Cutler, Jr., J. S. Claypool, B. B. Raven, Clyde Eby, William Dunn, Jr., T. J. Hill, O. G. Dunn, C. E. Foy, W. W. Griffin, B. B. Hurst, T. G. Hyman, C. L. Ives, W. J. Lucas, H. K. Land, R. A. Nunn, W. H. Newell, Jr., W. C. Rodney and T. A. Uzzell.

Next Wednesday night the Board of Directors will meet in the Chamber of Commerce room and elect the officers for the ensuing year.

The campaign for members just closed by the Chamber of Commerce was successful in every way. The greater part of the old members who had in hand the work of securing new members were enthusiastic over the movement and worked hard. H. K. Land was the champion "getter" securing twenty-one new members. W. W. Griffin came next with twenty new members and he was followed by Jesse Claypool with nineteen. The other "getters" succeeded in leading from two to fifteen members each.

There will always be a market for Rice. POTASH PAYS

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The entertainment was both musical and literary. There were two pantomimes, a tableau, piano solos and duets, readings and songs, recitations and circus.

There who faced inclement weather and slippery footways to attend this function, will gladly go as far and stay as long, to hear and see the same class of entertainment, when those who gave last night's performance, see fit to give another one.

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