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London has become recognized as the great clearing house for all European thieves who operate on a large scale.

The Manufacturers Record observes: "The beauty and variety of Southern forests are admired by all lovers of nature."

The people of Genoa, Italy, are already beginning preparations for the celebration in 1892 of the completion of the fourth century since the discovery of America.

The Hungarian Government is laboring resolutely to put a stop to the emigration of its subjects to the United States.

Her von Beveren, a Belgian who has made considerable reputation in his native country as a political economist, thinks that an international treaty fixing the day's work in all countries at eight hours is necessary and urgent.

Congress at its last session appropriated \$20,000 for the establishing of an immense whitefish hatchery somewhere on Lake Erie.

NORTH AND WEST.

NEWSY ITEMS BY TELEGRAPH.

Being a Condensation of the Principal Happenings in Different States.

GENERAL ADRA ANDERSON, well known as a railroad engineer, committed suicide in Philadelphia by shooting himself.

THE body of Hayward M. Paul, a young Philadelphia millionaire, who disappeared mysteriously from his uncle's residence...

THE strike of the 6000 Pennsylvania railroad coal miners is ended, and work in all the mines was resumed.

A VERY light vote was polled in the election for the ratification of the Sioux Falls Constitution of 1885 throughout South Dakota.

THE entire Wabash Railway system was sold to the committee representing the majority of the bondholders for \$15,520,000.

REAR ADMIRAL EDWARD DONALDSON, United States Navy, died of old age at his home in Baltimore in the sixty-eighth year of his age.

AN English syndicate has consummated the purchase of five large Detroit breweries.

FOUR laborers were unloading a carload of iron at Detroit, Mich., when some part of the brace holding the load broke and several tons of iron fell on the men.

THE office of General Inspector of the Naval Pay Corps, abolished by Secretary Whitney, has been re-established by Secretary Tracy, and Pay Director T. H. Looker appointed to fill it.

THE President has accepted the resignation of Judge George A. Jenks as Solicitor-General of the Department of Justice.

CHIEF-JUSTICE FULLER, of the Supreme Court, started for South Carolina on his judicial district tour.

FIVE brigands were hanged in the court yard of the prison at Sofia, Bulgaria. They were led separately to the scaffold and were hanged in succession.

MALAYS attacked the Dutch port of Edil, in Sumatra, killing five of the garrison and wounding twenty-five.

JOHN C. NEW entered upon his duties as United States Consul-General in London.

A United States Paymaster Robbed of \$29,000.

One of the most desperate and successful robberies and flights in the history of Arizona Territory took place on a recent afternoon five miles north of Cedar Springs near Fort Thomas.

Major J. W. Wiam, United States Paymaster, accompanied by his clerk, W. T. Gibson, left Tucson on a trip to pay troops stationed at Fort Bowie, Grant, Thomas, San Carlos and Apache.

THE distance from Grant to Thomas is forty-five miles through a mountainous and unimproved country.

It was at this point in a deep narrow gorge, that Major Wiam and his clerk, Gibson, were attacked by a party of about thirty Indians.

Major Wiam was unseated, although the major body of Apache Indians, from the battle continued for half an hour before Major Wiam yielded, but seeing that the major was evidently protected, and he would certain death to his entire party he was forced to yield to their demands.

The box of coin was taken containing \$29,000. As the major turned down the road, Wilcox under the control of the military authorities they refused to allow the full details of the fight to be sent out to the public, leaving the Fort Grant says the wounded driver of Major Wiam was found by Dr. E. Norton, who heard the firing at a distance of nearly two miles and went to ascertain its cause.

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Half a million dollars' worth of canned goods were shipped from this country to tropical regions last year.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES.

Outline of the Work Performed by the Michigan Institution.

As agricultural colleges are forming in many of the Southern States, the facts concerning the Michigan College will be of interest. This is the pioneer institution of the kind in the country, having been established in 1867.

Up to 1887 the college had turned out 470 graduates, of which 154 were following farming, horticulture, agriculture, and 6 were professors of agricultural colleges.

An agricultural college must also of a necessity be a good school in the natural sciences. Many students enter for such purposes, without any intention of following agricultural pursuits, and this in no way interferes with the work of preparing students to go forth as scientific farmers.

The Michigan College was long looked upon, even by farmers, as very much of a humbug, but of late years it has been steadily winning its way into public confidence by its extensive system of experiments in stock raising and fattening, grain and grain production, and the use of fertilizers.

Fighting the Distilleries.

In the northern part of Tuscaloosa county, Ala., about forty miles from Birmingham, has for some time been over-run with illicit distilleries.

Resolved, first, That whereas illicit distilling in the northern part of this county has become demoralizing to the young and vicious to the society, and against the best interest of all law-abiding citizens, we, the undersigned, do hereby earnestly ask all engaged in it to discontinue the same, and just quit and let us all have order, peace and a law-abiding county.

Resolved, second, That if they will not be persuaded to stop we will use any and all lawful measures within our reach to suppress the same.

About fifty names were signed to these resolutions, and then a vigilance committee was organized to aid the officers in breaking up the stills and capturing the moonshiners.

Breaking Up the Pool Rooms.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—[Special.]—The pool room men will probably not go on gathering in the shacks of the sport-loving public until the Supreme Court decision on the constitutionality of the anti-pool law, passed by the last Legislature.

Dead at Its Mother's Feet.

A most distressing accident occurred in the family of Dr. J. C. Johnson, at Clarksville, Tenn. Mrs. Johnson, standing at the foot of the stairway, and called to the nurse to bring the baby down stairs.

A Tragic Drowning.

The families of W. P. Sheretz and W. P. Denham were spending Thursday fishing in Lake Trout, Barlow county, Fla. The twelve-year-old son of Denham started away from the party and went in swimming.

Big Fire at Norfolk.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company's warehouse, at Norfolk, Va., was burned Friday night and totally destroyed.

Cotton Seed Oil Mills.

Wilbur M. Crowell, R. F. Munro, G. H. Brown and William T. Wells have incorporated the American Cotton-seed Oil Co. at Newark, N. J., to build cotton-seed oil mills in the South, and are looking up locations.

ALLEN T. RICE.

Sudden Death of the Newly Appointed Minister to Russia.

Taken Sick in New York as He Was About to Sail for Europe.



Hon. Allen Thorndike Rice, recently appointed United States Minister to Russia, died at 4 o'clock the other morning at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, of edema glottis.

Mr. Rice's death was altogether unexpected. Having been appointed United States Minister to Russia by President Harrison he was about to sail for Europe, and had already engaged his passage when taken ill.

Sketch of His Life.

Allen Thorndike Rice was best known as the editor and proprietor of the North American Review. He was born in Boston in 1853, of wealthy parents, and at eighteen years of age went to England and entered Oxford University, where he took his degree in 1875.

Mr. Rice possessed an inherited fortune estimated at over a million dollars. He was never married. Both his parents are dead, and he had no brother or sister.

Sentenced to Death for a Criminal Assault.

Simon T. Walker, the negro who so brutally outraged Mary Ann Quill, aged twelve years, the granddaughter of Michael Morris, a well-known citizen of Chesterfield county, Va., about two weeks ago, was convicted in the county Court of Chesterfield county of rape, and the Court sentenced him to be hanged in August next.

The Schutzenfest in Augusta.

The Deutsch Schutzenfest opened successfully at Augusta. The festivities at the platz were well attended, and the prize shooting and drilling was enjoyed by the military.

Girls Who Vowed to Get Married.

The elopement of two young people of the western part of New Haven, Conn., brings to light the existence of a queer organization.

Cleveland's New House.

Ex-President Cleveland has leased the house of Henry G. Marquand, the well-known banker, at 816 Madison avenue, New York City, for two years, with the privilege of purchasing it at any time prior to the expiration of the lease.

Southern Sprays.

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Chief Justice Fuller was in Charleston several days on his summer district tour. A banquet was given in his honor.

J. T. Wilder, from Tennessee has purchased a site at Blacksburg and will erect foundry and machine shops to cost \$50,000.

Mr. T. E. Horton of Greenville, who will represent South Carolina at the Paris Exposition has been in conference with Commissioner of Agriculture Butler to agree upon a plan for work.

The Democratic State executive committee of South Carolina is to select the successor of the late Capt. F. W. Dawson on the National Democratic committee.

At the meeting of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce Tuesday the proposition from Charlotte to raise \$75,000 for the construction of a railroad from Charlotte, N. C., to Lancaster, S. C., was declined.

A tank containing about 5,000 gallons of turpentine was wrecked last week in Union county by an accident on the Spartanburg, Union and Columbia R. R. The turpentine ran over a stream which extended as far as Broad River, three miles away.

A monument erected to the memory of the members of the German artillery, companies A and B; German Hussars, German Volunteers and Hampton Legion, who lost their lives during the Confederate war, was dedicated in Betheny cemetery, Charleston on Wednesday.

VIRGINIA.

Many truck farms were seriously damaged by the recent hail storm near Norfolk.

Rev. Sam Jones, the Georgia evangelist, is conducting a ten-day tabernacle meeting in Danville.

Cove Springs in Wythe county has been purchased by Northern parties who make the place a leading summer resort.

A Richmond firm has been awarded the contract to furnish the engines and boilers and all other machinery for the war steamer Texas, now being built at the Norfolk navy yard, at \$634,500.

The Episcopal council of Virginia met in annual convocation at Lynchburg. Eight colored preachers had seats in the council. They oppose a separate organization.

Hugh N. McKay, a deputy collector of internal revenue at Norfolk is missing and his accounts are short \$3,500. Warrants were issued for his arrest and the United States authorities are now on his track.

J. W. Day, proprietor of the Lexington chair factory, was caught in the belt of machinery at that place and dangerously injured. One of his arms were broken, and his head and face badly cut.

Roger A. Pryor, Jr., has just published a pamphlet form at Richmond a complete refutation of the charge of desertion recently made against his father.

The Chattanooga Savings Bank formally opened for business Wednesday.

Surveying has been begun for the proposed railroad from Bristol to Asheville, N. C., via Elizabethton.

Seventeen year locusts are reported to have made their appearance in middle Tennessee.

The Supreme Council of the Catholic Knights of America met at Chattanooga Thursday and continued in session four days.

Mrs. Henry Thompson, a most beautiful lady of Chattanooga, the wife of the master mechanic of the C. R. & C. Railroad, met with a tragic death by taking, through mistake, an overdose of oil of tansy.

The sensation in Memphis is the impeachment of Judge J. J. DuBois, since September, 1886, judge of Shelby county Criminal Court.

The monument to the Confederate dead was unveiled in Mount Olivet cemetery, Nashville, in the presence of a vast assemblage.

The firemen's tournament at Athens passed off with enthusiasm. Reel and other races were run and fast records made.

114TH ANNIVERSARY

OF MECKLENBURG'S INDEPENDENCE

Commemorated at Charlotte—Prize Drills, Parade, Horse-Racing, Etc.

On May 20th, 1775, in the county of Mecklenburg, N. C. was formed a Declaration of Independence and absolute secession from the crown of England.

The day was bright and clear, and made cool by the stirring breeze. At Carolina Park, without the city limits, the crowds witnessed a prize-drill by the cadets of the Bingham Military School, of Mebaneville, in being the regular annual contest between the four companies for first place in the battalion—won by company A. L. O. B. Jones, captain.

The first race was by runners for a purse of \$100. The horses starting were El Sulto, Erin Burke, Lilly, Charleston and Daisy M.

The second race was for trotters. The horses starting were Lulu K. and Sinda Rose. The three heats were won by Sinda, time 3:08, 2:53 and 2:43. She was awarded the purse of \$100.

The third race was a running one of two heats for a purse of \$125, for which were entered Melville K. Russell, Star and Spindrift. Russell Star won easily in 1:48 and 1:54.

The fourth race was for trotters, free for all. Maggie R., Melville Chief and Jerome were the horses to the start. This race excited the liveliest interest.

Maggie R. got once to the front in the first heat, but on the home stretch Melville Chief got down to business. Time 2:41. Melville Chief was ahead for the first eighth mile of the second heat, but he broke and was passed by Maggie R. and Jerome, but went in home ahead of Jerome. Time 2:36.

In the third heat Jerome worked ahead of Maggie R. and came in second, with Melville Chief first. Time 2:32. The fourth and last heat Maggie R. went away from the starting point with Melville Chief second. The latter broke within a few hundred yards, however, and Jerome went up behind Maggie R. but in the last eighth Melville Chief forged ahead and won without a break came gradually down the quarter stretch and placed down the wire the winner of the heat and winner of the race, Maggie R. second. Time of last heat, 2:32. William Burns, the owner, himself drove Melville Chief.

Between two heats of the fourth race came the gentlemen's race for trotters attached to four wheeled vehicles, won by Mr. Kimball, time 3:40.

During the remainder of the day military companies paraded the streets to the accompaniment of music furnished by accompanying bands and the city was crowded with spectators. A dress parade by the Bingham cadets and evolutions of the Home's Nest Riflemen of Charlotte, excited admiration. In the evening a play, called "The Star of Empire," was presented at the Riflemen and under the auspices of a musical program to the day, a ball and German was held at the Central Hotel.

Special trains on all the railroads carried the visitors home.

Jeff. Davis' Niece Arrested.

Mrs. Maybrich, niece of Jefferson Davis, and French Canadian aristocrat by birth, has been arrested at Liverpool, Eng., on a charge of poisoning her husband with arsenic.

The centennial anniversary of the foundation of the University of North Carolina will be celebrated at Chapel Hill, N. C., on June 25th.

Lieutenant Francis Winslow, of the United States Navy, has resigned his commission and accepted the position of manager of the Pamlico Oyster Co., comprised of New York and North Carolina capitalists.

New Towns in Oklahoma.

Town site filings for the new towns of Harrison, Frisco, and Reno City have been made at the Land Office, at Kingfisher, Indian Territory.

The storm of Saturday night threw down many tents and flooded the lower part of the city.

Lived 115 Years Without Teeth.

There was a very old man from Meriwether in attendance at Pike Superior Court last week. He was feeble in appearance, and indeed, some of his old acquaintances asked him his age. "Well," he said, "I live to see Feb. 31. I will be 115 years old."

Death of Rear Admiral Donaldson.

Rear Admiral Edward Donaldson, United States navy, aged 78, died at his home in Baltimore at 4 p. m. Wednesday. His physicians said that old age and liver complaint were the cause.

THE COALING OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

Talking the other day with a manager of one of our transatlantic lines he told me some curious things about the coaling of ocean steamers.

The Umbria burns two tons of coal per hour, and on every voyage the journals and accounts of the her size the journals and accounts of the machinery require 180 gallons of lubricating oil per day.

How the Signal Corps is Paid.

The 500 men in the Signal Service Corps are paid monthly their army pay proper, commutation of rations and commutation of quarters and fuel.