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TRAGEDY AT KERNERSVILLE.

Louis Carmichael Kills His Wife, Wounds His Step-daughter and Takes His Own Life.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Sept. 26.—One of the most horrible tragedies in the history of Forsyth county occurred seven o'clock this morning at Kernersville. Lewis F. Carmichael, a carpenter, aged 64 years, killed his wife, aged 50 years, seriously wounded his 12 year old step-daughter, and then cut his own throat with a razor and shot himself with a pistol. The weapon was fired four times, three balls taking effect on the right side of the head. He lived until 10:30 but was never conscious after the shooting.

Mr. Carmichael and his wife separated several weeks ago. Yesterday he went to her home near the passenger depot and told her that if she did not consent to live with him again he would kill her before tonight. After eating breakfast this morning at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. Lewis, he took a razor and pistol and went direct to the home of his wife. When the husband entered the kitchen the wife was over the stove preparing breakfast for herself and children. It is supposed that she again refused another request to live with him and that he thereupon took the razor and cut his wife's throat, nearly severing her head from her body. The wife ran into the yard and fell upon the grass, where she expired in a few minutes. Carmichael then turned upon Miss Diggins, his wife's youngest daughter, with the razor, cutting two severe gashes on her breast. He then used the razor and pistol with fatal effect upon himself.

Those who talked with Carmichael a short while before the crime was committed say he was sober. The impression is general here that no sane man could have committed such a crime. Carmichael will be buried in the Methodist cemetery here tomorrow morning.

The attending physician says he sees no indication of symptoms that will prevent the recovery of the girl.

Little River Association.

The seventy-fifth annual session of Little River Primitive Baptist Association was held last Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Hannahs Creek church.

The introductory sermon was preached Friday morning by Elder J. T. Coats. The following preachers also delivered sermons Friday: Elders L. P. Adams, J. S. Ward and J. T. Collier.

On Saturday the following preached: Elders J. W. Gardner, Josiah Eldridge, Burnice Wood and Gardner Bryan. Elders P. D. Gold, W. B. Williams, J. A. Burch, and William Woodard preached Sunday, Elder J. T. Coats was re-elected moderator, J. A. T. Jones, clerk, and Elder W. A. Simkins, assistant clerk.

The next session will be held with Willow Springs church in Wake county.

Very large crowds attended each day. The good people of the Hannahs Creek section entertained the delegates and visitors handsomely. It was considered one of the very best sessions of the Association held in recent years.

Fearful Odds Against Him.

Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with Kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies. "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all Stomach and Bowel Complaints. Only 50c. Guaranteed by Hood Bros.

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A SCENE AT THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.



The above cut shows another scene in the Republican National Convention at Chicago which nominated Mr. Roosevelt for the Presidency of the United States.

Mr. Roosevelt was placed in nomination by Ex-Governor Black of New York. His nomination was seconded by Harry Smythe Cummings, a negro from the city of Baltimore. Some of our Republican friends have been denying that Mr. Roosevelt's nomination was seconded by a negro. This denial is in line with the campaign of misrepresentations which they are making. Of course no respectable Republican will deny that the President's nomination was seconded by a negro. But the statement has been denied by certain Republican politicians of Johnston county of the peanut grade. "Without Theodore Roosevelt as President of the United States," declared the negro orator at a banquet in Washington, "that dark cloud which threatens desolation to the colored race will be 'without a silver lining.' President Roosevelt is the charm for every woe, as far as the colored man is concerned today." Fortunate indeed are our colored fellowcitizens that in Mr. Roosevelt they find a charm for every woe. No such blessing is vouchsafed to the white race. Mr. Roosevelt a charm, a "charm for every woe," so far as the colored man is concerned. Let our Republican friends cease their denials. He is simply a candidate of the negro-whiskey party in North Carolina. Judge Parker stands for white supremacy and temperance. Reader, which will you support?

ARCHER NEWS.

Mrs. Annie Barnes is quite sick.

Miss Ella Price, of Clayton, was home Sunday.

Messrs. E. V. Gainey and Jonah Pittman were in our midst Saturday.

Miss Maude Robertson is visiting relatives and friends in Wendell this week.

Messrs. J. V. Whitley and Wm. Stancil attended the Primitive Baptist association at Hannah's Creek last week.

Mr. Fuller a representative of the Kimball Organ Co., of Chicago, was in our community last week and sold several instruments.

The entertainment given by the Misses Smith last Thursday evening was a decided success and very much enjoyed by all present.

Hons. Allen Rogers and Dock Stephenson addressed a handful of republicans and a few democrats at Archer last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Berry Hinnant was so unfortunate as to have his mule run away last week and tear up his buggy but he remained faithful and stayed all night with the buggy the mule going home.

Seeriff Ellington and Elder J. A. T. Jones will address the people of our township next Saturday at 2 p. m. at Archer Lodge on the issue of the day. Let a good crowd greet them.

Mr. Thad Woodard, of near Princeton, has been elected as principal of Archer Academy. Mr. Woodard is highly recommended as one of Johnston's best teachers. Gladly we welcome him to our midst.

Sept. 26, 1904. S. L. W.

What is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results. Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in constipation, headache or liver trouble. Dr. Kings New Life Pills quickly re-adjust this. It's gentle, yet thorough. Only 25c at Hood Bros'.

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SELMA NEWS.

Mr. R. B. Whitley had the misfortune to dislocate his left shoulder last Friday while unloading machinery at the cotton mill. He is doing nicely now.

Mr. C. G. Wiggs has purchased an interest in the livery business of R. C. Fuller, Esq.

Dr. A. Z. Taylor has returned to our place and reopened his dental parlors where he will be pleased to see all who have aching teeth.

Mr. John H. Parker will remodel his office near the post office.

Ellis Bros. have opened a nice fancy grocery in one of T. H. Whitley's new brick stores. They want to sell a lot of nice groceries and fruits.

The town has bought a lot from John A. Mitchener and moved the guard house on it.

Robert E. Richardson went to Wendell Sunday.

Hon. J. Floyd Brown of Oneals was in town Tuesday talking true Democracy.

CLAYTON NEWS.

Mr. W. A. Barnes is in the northern markets buying goods.

Mr. M. G. Gully is having several new rooms built on his dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Horne have returned from a trip to northern cities.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins preached two excellent sermons at the M. E. church Sunday.

Messrs. Arthur Wallace and S. Tom Stephenson are attending court at Raleigh this week in the capacity of witnesses.

Mr. Roy Robertson left Wednesday for Tennessee, where he will enter Vanderbilt University for the study of dentistry.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Massey have moved back here and will make their home here in the future. Mr. Massey will work at New Bern for some time.

We are very pleased to know that Mr. Millard Hinnant, who left here about two weeks ago sick of fever, will soon be able to resume his work with Mr. W. A. Barnes.

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TERRIBLE TRAIN WRECK.

Two Trains Crash Into Each Other in Tennessee with Great Loss of Life.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Running on a roadbed in a supposedly high condition of maintenance and having about them every safeguard known to modern railroading, two trains on the Southern railway carrying heavy lists of passengers, came together in a frightful head-end collision near Hodges, Tenn., today, sending fifty-nine people to death and injuring 120. Several of whom will probably die. This appalling loss of life and maiming of the living resulted apparently to the disregarding of orders given to the two trains to meet at a station, which has for a long time been their regular meeting point. The claim of failure to see either the station or signals can not be set up by the engineer of the westbound train were he alive to enter a plea of defense, as the accident occurred in broad daylight, and according to the best information obtainable he had the orders in a little frame in front of him as his monster of steel and iron rushed by New Market and soon after came upon an eastbound passenger train making for New Market in compliance with instructions to meet the westbound train which carried the sleepers from the East for Knoxville, Chattanooga and other southern cities.

The possibility exists that the ill-fated engineer may have been asleep or that death had suddenly taken the sight from his eyes before he reached New Market. But nothing is known save that the orders were not obeyed. The trains were on time and not making over thirty-five miles an hour, yet the impact as they rounded a curve and came suddenly upon each other was frightful. Both engines and the major portions of both trains were demolished and why the orders were disregarded or misinterpreted probably never be known as the engineers of the two trains were crushed, their bodies remaining for hours under the wreckage of the monster locomotives which but a short time before had leaped forward at the touch of their strong hands upon the throttle.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 26.—No additional deaths of injured have occurred today, and the death list of the Southern wreck still stands at sixty-two. All of the injured at the Knoxville general hospital are reported doing well, and only four or five are so desperately wounded that death may result from their injuries.

Turlington Graded School.

This week closes the first month of the fall session of our graded school which now has an enrollment of about 200 pupils.

The school has been a success from its beginning and Prof. R. A. Merritt, the superintendent, is to be congratulated. Though one of the youngest superintendents in the state his able management of the Turlington Graded School has shown that the trustees made no mistake when they selected him.

The following are the teachers and the grades they teach:

1st and 2nd grades—Miss Katie Lee Banks.

3rd and 4th grades—Miss Mayme Ellis.

5th and 6th grades—Miss Lucie Webb.

7th and 8th grades—Miss Flossie Lee Abell.

9th 10th grades—Prof. R. A. Merritt.

Music department—Miss Passie Harris.

With such a strong faculty the school will fully meet the most sanguine expectations of its patrons and friends.

Children teething often suffer from Cholera Infantum, Diarrhoea or some form of Bowel Complaint. Dr. Seth Arnold's Balsam is the best remedy. Warranted by Hood Bros.

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KENLY NOTES.

Mr. Milton High, from near Taylor, spent Saturday night at Mr. J. G. High's.

Mrs. A. J. Smith, of Spencer, is visiting her father, Mr. C. W. Edgerton, this week.

Miss Lena Edgerton spent Saturday and Sunday with friends near Buck Horn church.

Miss Eva High, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Tarboro, returned home Friday.

The Dunn Oil Mill Company's ginners here is doing a good business. They ginned 100 bales last week.

Mr. L. Z. Woodard spent several days this week visiting friends and relatives near Louisburg and Spring Hope.

There will be a Masonic funeral of the late R. M. Pulley preached at Raines X Roads the second Sunday in October.

Miss Annie Strickland, of Louisburg, who has been visiting friends here for several weeks, is visiting friends in Smithfield this week.

Messrs. C. B. Bailey and R. T. Fulghum visited friends and relatives near Pleasant Grove church and Rock Ridge, Wilson county, last Sunday.

Miss Fannie Freeman, teacher in the intermediate department of Kenly Academy, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Freeman near Taylor.

The farmers are realizing that Kenly is one of the leading cotton markets of this section of the state, the top of the market being paid at all times. Seventy-eight bales were bought here Saturday.

Miss Rosa Stott, of Raleigh, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Wilson county, near Pleasant Grove church, for several days spent Saturday evening here with the family of Mr. Jno. G. High.

Rev. Dr. R. H. Whitaker, of Raleigh, filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church here Sunday morning and night and preached two able sermons admonishing the church members to be faithful to their obligations and to be careful what kind of influence they exert over those around them.

There will be an educational rally here October 27th. The Kenly Council of Junior Order United American Mechanics will also present Kenly Academy with a large United States flag and a Bible. Noted Junior Order and educational speakers will be secured to make speeches in the morning and at night. A full program of the day's exercises will be given next week.

Mr. Josiah Stancil tells us he went to one of the biggest family reunions last week he ever attended. It was that of his brother Thomas. Every one of his children were present and there were altogether fifty children and grand children. A sumptuous dinner of barbecue, chicken, pies, cakes, etc., and most everything good to eat was spread. It seemed like an old fashioned picnic. Every one from the oldest to the youngest thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Sept. 30. REX.

Cumberland, Md., Sept. 23.—Fast freight No. 94 on the Baltimore and Ohio struck a wagon loaded with 750 pounds of dynamite at the crossing at North Branch, W. Va., four miles east of here this afternoon. Two persons were killed and nine were injured.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 26.—A monument marking the birth place of James Knox Polk, eleventh president of the United States, was unveiled near Pineville, N. C., this afternoon in the presence of a large concourse of people. This monument was unveiled by Miss Julia Robertson, of this city, and Dr. J. B. Alexander, also of Charlotte, delivered the address. The exercises were conducted by the daughters of the American Revolution.

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