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Gov. Aycock has nominated the members of Andrew Jackson, the murderous Lincoln county burglar, to life imprisonment, and will doubtless incur severe criticism for the act.

It is a day of education. Let us recognize that. Send the children to school, provide them with school books for their studies, and with good books and papers for their home reading.

Former Governor, John F. Altgeld of Illinois, died at Joliet yesterday morning of apoplexy. He was stricken the night before at the close of a speech he had made at a pro-Reform meeting.

This will be an important and interesting year in politics. Already the pot is beginning to simmer. Those who wish to keep up with the campaign are invited to keep up with THE GAZETTE.

The educational value of a clean, bright, live local paper among the children of a home should commend it to every progressive family. THE GAZETTE is such a paper and a dollar paid before April 1st will get it one year. After the date named THE GAZETTE will come twice a week.

Small-pox expenses are still piling up on the county. If everybody in Gaston were to be vaccinated before night this small-pox expense would cease in 30 days, and next year's small-pox expenses, instead of mounting into the thousands of dollars, would barely run into the hundreds.

The piece of macadam road between Gastonia and Dallas has been a continuous stream of water on the value of good roads. At this end and at the other end were miles of mud but on the macadam road itself even in the worst of weather all was trotting grade and smooth going. What an advantage it would be if all sections of the county were traversed by such roads!

The advance of 35% on insurance rates recently made by the South Eastern Tariff Association was one to invite conflict. The fact that such conflict has come to the refusal of the Greenboro companies to fall in line with the advance should cause us to be overtaken by a feeling of State pride and to labor and hope that our sturdy home companies will win the fight.

With the compliments of the author, Mr. Jefferson Wallace, of Richmond, Va., we are in receipt of a copy of the Virginia Carolina Chemical Company's Almanac for 1902. It contains over 200 pages, and is packed with interesting matter touching fertilizers and other farm topics, contains valuable statistics and other information of practical value, has a good index, and is altogether one of the most interesting publications for the progressive planter of which we have knowledge.

The fact that Senator Tillman in a recent speech in the Senate omitted all mention of North Carolina in placing the glory of the victory at King's Mountain has justly excited criticism in this State. One of his critics, however, says, "We suppose North Carolina says he mentioned Tennessee as the battle was fought on her soil." In which statement geography appears to be against the critic. King's Mountain park, or pleasure, is in North Carolina, but the battle ground, about eight miles distant, is in South Carolina.

Among the foremost scientific investigators of all time is the great Edison, whose marvelous electrical inventions have caused him to be styled "the wizard." Last week his two sons, who were on a pleasure trip in Elizabeth City, were arrested by the town officers, one for being drunk the other for attempting to fight the officer. The former paid his drunk fine and was released while the latter was bound over to court under a \$500 bond. What a contrast between father and son! Says no matter if your father was as good as Moses, as wise as Solomon and as rich as Croesus, it is a good idea not to try to glide through life on his reputation but to have a job of your own to do and a purpose of your own to follow. This plan will keep you out of jail at least.

McADENVILLE.

In the early hours of Sunday morning the soul of Mrs. Lillie Guinn, wife of C. C. Guinn, took its flight. She had been an intense sufferer for about a week with pneumonia. Shortly after she took a few minutes' rest, her physician pronounced her case hopeless and her friends did all they could to ease her and make her comfortable. Mrs. Guinn was a young woman and had been married less than two years, and was beloved by a large circle of friends. Her death is a severe shock to her husband who almost idolized her. She leaves two children, a daughter and son, the latter being only an infant, therefore her death is the more to be deplored. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church from which the funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. B. L. Hobe, Monday at 11 a. m. The remains were interred in the cemetery at Lowell. The bereaved husband and his little children have our sympathy in their bereavement.

Rev. B. L. Hobe, with his wife, arrived here Saturday evening and received the cordial attentions of their friends who had prepared a room for them at the hotel and furnished a room. The funeral was given as a present by the many friends of the happy young couple.

We have been having a season of preaching during the past week. Rev. H. W. Hawkins and Rev. Mr. Folger conducted services last week and witnessed thirty odd conversions. Rev. Dr. Weaver, the Presiding Elder of the Shelby District, held the quarterly conference here Saturday and preached Saturday night and Sunday morning and Sunday night dispensing the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the morning service. There was also preaching at the Baptist church as usual Sunday morning and night.

Rev. W. G. Maloney, agent for the school of the Western North Carolina Conference, was in on hand and in his eloquent style reported on the case but did not take up a collection. The McAdenville Post Office has again changed post-masters, the present incumbent being G. W. Ramefick.

Mrs. James Gashon is very sick. Little Lucy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Webb, is very sick with pneumonia. Miss Estelle Mangum was on the sick list last week but is better now.

A number of our people who laid bare their arms and were vaccinated are complaining with sore arms. The worst cases were M. J. Ray and M. S. Bowen; but they were not seriously affected; it only "look well."

STANLEY NOTES.

The Brevard mill dam five miles north of Stanley which was condemned at the last term of Lincoln court, is being torn out this week. Mr. Henry Dellinger has the contract. Supervisor Edleman boarded the train this the first of the week for Rutherfordton. By some means the report got out that he had gone after the cherry tree folks to work on the tinaco chaisings.

A novel sight was seen in Stanley yesterday. A fifty dollar milk cow was being hauled in two horse wagon, she being too weak to travel any other way. But she seemed satisfied and was quietly devouring her mattress of straw. Deputy Sheriff Lantz was in charge of the turn-out and Mr. Brevard Lindeberger was the proprietor.

Mr. C. C. Moore, of Ironton, is contemplating moving to Stanley soon. He has rented a building from B. F. Carpenter. Our dramatic club is practicing for a play which will come off soon. The Buck oak-land Batters have secured a new ball ground much more convenient to town, and are in high gear at present.

The small-pox scare has about subsided as there is a belief that it is only a form of chicken-pox. Mr. Charlie Childs, of Lincoln, spent yesterday and to-day in Stanley on business.

Plowing began in earnest over here to day. Since the spring days have come, some of our older citizens have appeared in town, who have not been here for months.

The gripp has been remarkably severe this winter. The walls of a new residence can be seen going up in west Stanley. Brown Peterson is the builder.

Miss Withers, Esq., is still confined to her room. Mr. Samuel Sherrill, of Cleveland county, has been in the Jenkins shop for the season and is daily giving us the news chorus.

DALLAS DOTS.

The Communion Service of the Lutheran congregation was held in the Olden Chapel Sunday morning. The pastor of this congregation, Rev. W. A. Denton, has for several months been delivering a course of interesting and instructive lectures on the Augsburg Confession. The lectures are given every Wednesday evening and are much appreciated by the congregation. The Public School term expires the latter part of this week. The teachers of the Free School and Primary Department of Gaston College have invited their pupils to a party to be given at the College, Friday evening, March 14.

Little Miss Mabel Dorothea Wolf is the latest arrival in the boarding department of Gaston College. Although she is but a new comer she is quite popular with the faculty and students.

The friends of Hurrell and Mrs. Armstrong will be pleased to have them in Dallas one more.

The small-pox patients in the county post house are reported to be doing well. Mr. Bert Diller was in town on Sunday.

Mrs. Jacob Ramefick has been visiting her mother for several weeks. She left on Monday for her home in Lincoln county.

Our other cities in warning. If the Governor is right in granting a moratorium, then the courts are wrong in carrying on many executions. You pay your money and take your choice.

LETTERS ON RURAL DELIVERY.

Mr. Opposite Letting the Routes to Constructors.

Reuben Klutz made a twenty minute speech today in opposition to the bill, which proposes to put the rural delivery system on the contract basis and to let the routes to the lowest bidder. Mr. Klutz contended earnestly that such a change would ruin the system. Rural carriers are now paid \$600 per annum and the proposed object of this bill is economy.

"If the policy of the delivery of mails to citizens at their homes is admitted," said Mr. Klutz, "I can see no reason why, when a city carrier who works in comfort, walks on nicely fixed pavements, needs no conveyance, has all his days and work done, and works only eight hours a day, receives from \$600 to \$1,000 per annum, the sum of \$600 should be grudgingly to the rural carrier who must furnish his own conveyance, his own substitute, and travel twenty or more miles every day in the year over bad roads, in all weather. I am in favor of all proper economy, but I have little patience with gentlemen who unquestionably vote for appropriation of hundreds of millions for other purposes and become addressers of very economical, when something is attempted for the betterment of the rural population. The rural free delivery service is the first real effort to put the farmer on something like equally with the city folks as to delivery of mails. It has been a grand success and has done much to make life on the farm more pleasant, and is as opposed to anything which would ruin it by degrading it to a level with the discredited star route service. The present regulations putting it under civil service take it entirely out of politics and make it absolutely non-partisan."

Mr. Klutz paid his respects in lively fashion to the provisions of the bill and its supporters and had excellent attention and liberal applause. In fact it was one of the best speeches of the session.

NEWS ITEMS.

Lord Pauncefoot, the British Ambassador, is on a visit to Mr. George Vanderbilt at his Biltmore estate.

It is reported that the government is shipping 1,000 barrels of seed corn by mail to the needy farmers of Arkansas.

Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson was to leave for Stateville last night under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Ira McDavid, the Atlanta mail clerk who had snail-pox in Charlotte, was pronounced cured after two weeks and discharged.

The steamship Oriol cleared last week from Galveston, Texas for Bremen with 2978 sacks of cottonseed meal, valued at \$6392.

Two new enterprises which are being talked for McAdenville are a fruit canning establishment and a handle and spoke factory.

Miss Alice Mossevelt, the daughter of the President, when trip to the English continent has been called off, has gone on a visit to Cuba.

The Forty-second Annual State Fair of North Carolina will take place at Raleigh, October 27th to 31st, next. Preparations are on foot to make the Fair of 1902 eclipse all others.

B. N. Duke, B. L. Duke, Washington Duke, and George W. Watts offer \$5,000 in cash for the Red Men's Orphanage if located at Durham. A site of twenty acres near Raleigh is offered.

Gov. Odell, of New York, has been invited to attend the centennial of the founding of the Salem Female Academy and College at Winston-Salem during the week beginning May 23.

Mr. Enoch Gowen and family, of Grand Island, Neb., are visiting relatives in Davis county. They made the trip in a two horse wagon. Mr. Gowen moved from Davis to the far West 45 years ago.

Shelby (N. C.) Cotton Mills has amended charter, increasing capital from \$99,900 to \$150,000, and allowing further increase to not more than \$200,000. Improvements of a minor character will be made.

Dr. J. Edward Hayes, a South Carolina physician by birth and a surgeon major in the business navy for the past thirteen years has recently had conferred upon him by the King of Siam the Royal Order of the White Elephant.

The Charleston Post says the exhibit of "holery, colored and white, and of undervest" made by the Excelsior Mills of Union, S. C. and the Mayo Mills of Mayodan, N. C., would be creditable to any manufacturers in the world.

At the cabinet meeting Friday the President requested the members not to talk to newspaper correspondents about matters under discussion at the semi-weekly meetings. It was thought best for the President himself to make public such matters as he deemed proper to be given out, hereafter the President will do this.

Mr. John M. Trotts, a Charlotte newspaper editor, died in Hot Springs, Ark., a few days ago and his remains were brought home and buried. Trotts was supposed to be unmarried and left an estate valued at \$28,000 or \$30,000. Now a Charlotte woman, who was Miss Ellis Wilson, comes forward and says she was secretly married to Trotts last August and Squire W. O. Bollen, of Pineville, who performed the ceremony, confirms her statement. Mrs. Trotts, now Wilson, will insist on receiving her share of the deceased Trotts' estate.

Lowest Flour Mill in the World. Washburn-Crosby Co., of Minneapolis, Minn., have not only the largest but one of the finest milling plants in the world. Their Gold Medal flour took first award at the Pan-American Exposition. The wheat used in their mill is the very finest.

The flour is a little golden in color, which indicates purity and strength, and the bread will have a rich nutty flavor, not found in the ordinary flour.

Their flour is ground granular and absorbs more water or milk, and the mill guarantees it to make one fifth more bread, when flour is properly handled. J. A. GLASS & Co., Gastonia, are their agents.

Advice to the Aged.

Age brings infirmities, such as stag-gering, bowing, and blood-letting and TORPID LIVER.

Tutt's Pills

Imparting Vigor to the kidneys, bladder and LIVER. They are adapted to old and young.

The C. & W. W. B. Yorkville, S. C.

It can now be stated as a fact, that although the standard ratings of the Carolina and North-Western railroads will not be completed within the time agreed upon—July 1, next—there is no need of discouragement on the part of the people interested. President W. A. Barber made the matter very plain to the board of county commissioners last Wednesday.

It will be remembered that on the last previous occasion the Mr. Barber appeared before the board of county commissioners on the subject, he agreed to forfeit the sum of \$500 in case he failed to complete the standard-gauging of the road and to pay the commissioners the sum of \$2,500 for the one thousand shares of stock that York county holds in the corporation, on or before July 1, next.

The object of Mr. Barber's appearance before the board on Wednesday, was to advise the body that it was a physical impossibility for him to comply with his agreement within the time specified, and to ask for an extension of the time limit in the matter of the road. He explained that although he had disposed of the bonds of the road successfully, and had bought and paid for hundreds of carloads of steel rails and several new bridges, at a cost of \$125,000, the people with whom he had contracted had found it impossible to comply with their agreements promptly, and suggested as such work can be done much more satisfactorily and economically in the summer than in the winter, the board would confer a great favor by extending the time limit to its contract with Mr. Barber from July 1, next, to January 1, next.

After due consideration, the board decided that it would offer no objection to an extension, provided Mr. Barber would pay the \$500 agreed upon for the stock July 1, next, and agree to pay the \$500 forfeit in case the broad-gauging is not completed by January 1, next. Mr. Barber agreed to this arrangement also that even after paying for the stock, he would leave it in the Loan and Savings bank, to be forfeited back to the county along with the \$500 additional forfeit, in case he did not complete his work according to promise by the first of January, next.

The whole matter was settled with the understanding that Attorney Brice would draw up a contract to carry out the agreement outlined.

Missed Man's Suit Against the Railroad.

A suit has been instituted in Superior Court entitled Wm. J. Finch vs. the Southern Railway and the W. N. C. Railway company. The plaintiff asks damages to the amount of \$2,000. He alleges that he is blind and that he and his guide, a seven-year-old boy, were ejected from a railway train at Connelly Springs on account of the boy not having a ticket.

Finch had been in the employ of the Southern Railway previous to his blindness and he claims that he had always been allowed by the railway, since he lost his eyesight, the privilege of having this young boy accompany him as a guide, for which no transportation was required. It is claimed, however, that Finch always had a ticket for himself, though the guide traveled dead head.

Money to Promote Education in South.

Announcement was made to-day that there has been organized in this city an association to promote southern education, to be known as the General Education Board, and that more than a million dollars had been placed at the disposal of the trustees.

The underlying principle of the association is stated to be the recognition of the fact that the people of the Southern States are earnestly engaged in the promotion of public education and that in this effort they should receive generous aid to this end, and to purposes of this kind and kindred objects, the association will seek gifts, large and small, from those in sympathy with its plans.

Whitman's Little Sonnet.

A good many people laugh at a snail-pox and because the type which has generally prevailed in this State for the past three years is very mild many of them insist that it is not snail-pox, or if it is it is so mild that one need not be afraid of it. But this snail-pox, although it is very mild, kills some-times. There have been a number of deaths from it in the State. In Duplin county last Thursday Dr. C. T. Hodge died of snail-pox and a 13 year-old daughter of Mr. G. H. Weddington, of China Grove, Rowan county, died Friday of the same disease.

CASE OF THANKS.

The friends and neighbors who were so kind to my family during the last illness of the dear and mother who has been taken away, have placed us under a debt of gratitude which mere words cannot repay. I thank them one and all for the great kindness and Christian sympathy shown us in our sorrow. May a kind Heavenly father reward them.

MOBERT A. FALLS.

Flamant Ridge, March 10. Friends cannot be counted by level approximations, as they cannot reach the distant parting of the day. There is only one way to do this, and that is by consolation. Religion is caused by an intense condition of the income, being of the nature of a fever. It is a disease which you have a right to cure or improve. It is a disease which you have a right to cure or improve. It is a disease which you have a right to cure or improve.

Notice in hereby given of the regular town election to be held on

Monday, the 6th day of May, 1900, and of the opening of the registration book of the Town of Gastonia, for the registration of such persons as are not already registered, for the said election.

The said registration book will be kept open by J. A. Spencer, the returning officer, at the Town Hall in Gastonia on the four Saturdays next preceding the day of the said election, as required by the charter of the Town of Gastonia, as amended by the Board of Aldermen as G. W. McLaughlin and W. I. Stone, by order of the Board.

J. P. Lovv, Secretary.

March the 10th, 1900.

Greater Than The Lion.

Catholic Standard and Times. "Yes, he's absolutely first class now, but once he was prominent contractor in New York and got the lion's share of all the contract work given out by the Democratic administration."

"Ah! I suppose when he found over the Lion's share he didn't have much left."

BOOK BARGAINS. SPECIAL SALE CLOSING SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd.

OUR CLEARANCE PRICES and a few sunny days have made busy times at the book store. But we have a few book bargains left of which we wish to tell you more than was contained in our last announcement. To begin with—

Our Teachers' Bibles Fifty-Cent Books for 25 Cents. A few of these in beautiful boxed editions with dainty floral sides with gilt top and side ribbon marker. Your choice for 25 cents. Postage 10 cents extra. Only these left: THOMAS A'KEMPIS—Imitation of Christ. MRS. GASKELL—Cranford. GEORGE ELIOT—Mill on the Floss. HAWTHORNE—House of the Seven Gables. O. W. HOLMES—Antocrat of the Breakfast Table. MRS. STOWE—Uncle Tom's Cabin. LAMB—Tales From Shakespeare. Here is a list of stirring stories for boys, mainly historical, reduced from 50 cents to 25 cents during this special sale—postage 10 cents per volume extra. ANDERSEN—Fairy Tales. COOPER—Last of the Mohicans. DICKENS—Robinson Crusoe. DICKENS—Child's History of England. GILMAN—Fairy Tales. G. A. HENRY. By Right of Conquest. Lion of St. Mark. The Young Colonists. Facing Death. By England's Aid. By Sher Pluck. In Times of Peril. Dutton and the Raven. For the Temple. Maori and the Settler. For Name and Fame. Final Reckoning. Orange and Green. One of the 28th. By Fire and Dyke. Young Frank-Tireus. Bonnie Prince Charlie. In Freedom's Cause. Young Carthaginians. JAMES OTIS—Wood Island Light. GILMAN—Fairy Tales. Swiss Family Robinson.

Dollar Books for 60 Cents. Beautifully bound in English Cloth and finely illustrated. Large handsome volumes. Catalogue price \$1.25, our former price \$1.00. Special price 60 cents; two for \$1.00. Postage 15 cents volume extra. Only three titles: ANDERSEN—Fairy Tales. GRIMM—Fairy Tales. Swiss Family Robinson. Sixty-Cent Books for 30 Cents. An excellent all-top series of eminent authors. Come in and take notice of the paper, printing and binding. You would doubtless offer us from 50c to 75c per volume. Our price is only 30c—four for \$1.00. Postage 8 cents per volume extra. These titles left: CHARLOTTE BRONTE—Jane Eyre. JAMES HEYCE—Holy Roman Empire. LORD BULWER LYTTON—Last Days of Pompeii. HALL CALINE—The Deceiver. Shadow of a Crime. COOPER—Dear Sayer. Two Admirals. Water Witch. A. CONAN DOYLE—Firm of Girdlestone. White Company. GEORGE ELIOT—Felix Holt. Romola. G. A. HENRY—Facing Death. MRS. MARY J. HOLMES—English Orphans. Lena Rivers. VICTOR HUGO—By Order of the King. Hunchback of Notre Dame. Ninety Three. Tollers of the Sea. MISS MULOCK—John Halifax. CHARLES READE—Foul Play. LORD MACAULAY—Speeches. WALTER SCOTT—The Abbot. Heart of Midlothian. Woodstock. ELIZABETH WETHERELL—Queechy No.

35-Cent Books for 20 Cents. Paper, printing, and binding that you would expect in high-priced books. They sell readily at 25 cents or three for a dollar, but to close out quickly we have cut the price to 20 cents or two for 35 cents. Handy pocket-sized volumes. Postage 6 cents extra. Speak at once. CHARLOTTE BRONTE—Jane Eyre. BUCKLEY—Fairy Land of Science. DRUMMOND—Natural Law in the Spiritual World. GEORGE ELIOT—Romola. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN—Autobiography. JOHN HAUBERTON—Couldn't Say No. Court of Boyville. Seven Smiles and a Few Fists. Both for 1.00. Postpaid 1.75. Court of Boyville. Christmas Story from David Harum. Both for 1.00. Postpaid 1.75. Brooks Adams, America's Economic Supremacy. 1.25. Trest's Southern Statesmen of Old Regime. 2.00. Problems of Asia—Capt. Mahan U. S. N. 2.00. Thoughtful man—the three for only \$3.50. Postpaid for 3.90. Blaine's Twenty Years in Congress. Two large volumes. 7.00. John Sherman's Recollections of Forty Years. Two splendid volumes. 7.50. Both sets on counter or by express not prepaid for 11.00.

Remember this sale closes March 22nd. We are offering you some very great book values. Never mind about our making any money at these prices—we are after making sales and friends. If we make the sales, the sales will be sure to make us friends. Take advantage of these few remaining bargain days, and if you would get your choice, better get ahead of anyone else who may be wanting the same thing. Bring your purse—spot money prices.

Marshall's Book Store. ON THE CORNER. J. A. Spencer. R. Lee Jenkins. SPENCER & JENKINS. CONTRACTORS FOR SLATE AND METAL ROOFING. Special attention given to Sky-light Windows, Galvanized Iron Fronts, Cornices, Trimmings, and other ornamental work. Estimates furnished from Architect's Plans. Correspondence solicited. SPENCER & JENKINS, DAVIS BLOCK, GASTONIA, N. C. Notice in hereby given of the regular town election to be held on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1900, and of the opening of the registration book of the Town of Gastonia, for the registration of such persons as are not already registered, for the said election. The said registration book will be kept open by J. A. Spencer, the returning officer, at the Town Hall in Gastonia on the four Saturdays next preceding the day of the said election, as required by the charter of the Town of Gastonia, as amended by the Board of Aldermen as G. W. McLaughlin and W. I. Stone, by order of the Board. J. P. Lovv, Secretary. March the 10th, 1900. Greater Than The Lion. Catholic Standard and Times. "Yes, he's absolutely first class now, but once he was prominent contractor in New York and got the lion's share of all the contract work given out by the Democratic administration." "Ah! I suppose when he found over the Lion's share he didn't have much left."

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