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RAILWAY DISASTER

Fatal Collision on the Pennsylvania Road.

SIGNALS AT FAULT.

The Washington Express at Full Speed Ran Into the Rear of the Pittsburgh Flyer this Morning with Fatal Results.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. COLONIA, N. J., Dec. 21.—The Washington express, one of the fastest trains on the Pennsylvania Railroad, crashed into the "Pittsburgh Flyer," in a fog this morning, two miles from Rahway.

Several persons were killed outright, and many others were fatally injured, two hours after the disaster occurred ten of the passengers were still pinned under the wreck.

Persons who were on the scene of the wreck say that the block system was not used at that point, but that the railroad employed the automatic signal system instead to regulate the running of trains, which saved in the number of employees required to watch the engineer of the "Pittsburgh Flyer" did not see the signals at the point where the block system begins. He reduced the speed of his train for this reason. The engineer of the Washington express saw no signals, and as the "Flyer" slowed up he ran his train into the rear end of the "Flyer" at full speed.

Two were killed outright in the disaster, W. DeWolfe, of Parkersburg, West Va., and the porter of the parlor car, Knight, while the injured are: Pulman Conductor Welsh, Frank Irish, of Chicago, who is General Passenger Agent of the Chicago and Western Railroad, Engineer Vandevener, of Washington, and Fireman Seanes. The locomotive ploughed halfway through the sleeper.

About twenty persons, more or less, were seriously injured in this fatal collision. Several women were pinned down under the wreck for several hours.

TROUBLE AT SAMOA.

A War Between the Rival Factions is Feared.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor. AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, Dec. 21.—Advises received from Samoa dated December 16, say that serious trouble occurred there in connection with the election of a king. The German consul is supporting the candidacy of Mataafa, who has assumed a warlike attitude towards the foreign residents on the islands. The inhabitants fear an outbreak, and a war between the rival tribes is anticipated.

CIVIL OR MILITARY.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The Court of Cassation will not accept the secret dossier unless it is communicated to Marnard, who is the counsel acting in the interest of Mme. Dreyfus. A decree embodying the judicial pronouncement which Col. Picquart asked to have made in regard to the manner of his trial, will be issued during the present month, thus settling the question as to whether the case is civil or military.

SPANISH PERSONALS.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

MADRID, Dec. 21.—Captain General Blanco was received by the Queen this afternoon.

Minister Sagasta has improved but is still obliged to remain in his room.

JOINS THE JEWISH CHURCH.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Mme. Kahn, wife of Gustave Kahn, the famous poet, formerly a Catholic, was admitted to the Jewish church in resentment to the anti-semitic agitation.

GRIP.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

NW YORK, Dec. 21.—The president of the Board of Health says that there is no occasion for alarm from an epidemic of grip. The death rate is low and the epidemic is not particularly severe. All the street cars and elevated railroads have been ordered disinfected.

ANOTHER RAILROAD WRECK.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor.

WILKESBARE, Dec. 21.—A New Jersey Central freight train got beyond control at Yatesville and crashed into the rear of a Delaware and Hudson freight train. The engine and twelve coal cars and six freight cars were wrecked. Conductor Stark and Flagman Zeephers were fatally injured.

Mr. Jack—Isn't that skirt dancer a peach? Mrs. Jack—I should say she was more like brown sugar; very sweet but coarse; a little off color, and decidedly unrefined.—Life.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Two Men Fall in an Attempt to Rob an Express Car.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. GRENADA, Miss., Dec. 21.—The Illinois Central passenger train was held up last night at Pope's station by two men. However, the robbers were unable to break open the express door, and they fled without getting any booty.

AT CANEA.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor. CANEA, Dec. 21.—Prince George of Greece and high commissioner of the powers have arrived to escort the British, French, Russian and Italian flagships. They were received unenthusiastically.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT.

By Cable to the Times-Visitor. NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Merritt-Chapman wrecking steamer "Merritt" started for Santiago today to make another attempt to raise the warships of Cervera's fleet.

JEWETT GUILTY.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. BOSTON, Dec. 21.—The jury today brought in a verdict of guilty against ex-President Jewett, of the Lake National Bank, of Wolfboro. Jewett was charged with embezzlement of \$25,000.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Capt. Hood continues to hustle the marriage license business. The following licenses were issued today:

Mr. Henry B. Baker and Miss Hattie R. Burnett.
Mr. Eddie M. Cooper and Miss Ethel M. Sorrell.
Mr. Samuel Sorrell and Miss Addie Moody.
Also four colored couples secured licenses, they are Cornelius Webb and Cora Vass, Charles Whitaker and Nellie Walton, George Thomas and Katie Rogers and Will Leach and Flora McClamm.

THE OPERA TONIGHT.

Everywhere that the Andrews Opera Company have appeared they have received the highest endorsement. Last night the company played in Durham, and the Herald says:

In the "Bohemian Girl" last evening the Andrews Opera Company fully sustained the good impression made upon Durham theatre goers in "Martha," their first performance in this city.

"Bohemian Girl" is a romantic opera by Ralfe, in three acts. The inclemency of the weather again kept the house from being crowded, but those present made up a highly appreciative audience.

Mr. Walters, tenor, acted the part of "Thaddeus, a scrupled Pole;" Mr. Howard, baritone, "Count, governor of the province;" "Florentine, his nephew," was played by Mr. Burgess, and Mr. Johnson, basso, represented "Divilshoof, a Gypsy;" Miss Clayton, contralto, "Queen of the Gipsies," and Miss French, contralto, was "Arlene, daughter of the Count." The play was so well rendered that it is useless to try to particularize.

It is a pity that Durham's shows can not always be of the character and strength of Andrews' Opera Company and it is unfortunate that the weather was such as to prevent many of our citizens from witnessing the two performances just closed, of the best opera company that ever appeared in this city. The company goes from here to Raleigh.

Admission, 25c., 50c., 75c., and \$1.00. Doors will be opened at 7:30 and performance begin at 8:20.

THE POULTRY SHOW.

Secretary William Barringer is receiving many letters from poultry fanciers asking for particulars about the poultry show to be held here on January 18th, 19th and 20th. Many fine birds will be here from Georgia, Alabama and other Southern States. The show is under the auspices of the Charlotte Poultry and Pet Stock Association, of which Mr. J. M. Scott is president; B. S. Davis, treasurer, and William Barringer, Secretary.—Charlotte Observer.

MORE RAIN.

The weather bureau predicts for Raleigh and vicinity: Rain tonight and Thursday.

The forecast for North Carolina sent out from Washington is rain tonight and Thursday light southwest winds.

The storm over the Lake region is now in the vicinity of Marquette, with a pressure below 29.5 inches. Although there is no depression on the South Atlantic Coast considerable rain has fallen, with amounts over an inch at Jacksonville and Charleston. The weather has cleared in the lower Mississippi Valley with southwest winds. The temperature continues slightly below freezing only in the extreme northwest, and it is quite warm elsewhere.

SECRETARY INTERIOR

President Appoints Ethan Hitchcock of Missouri

MILES' TESTIMONY

He Gives Some Strong Evidence Before the War Investigators in Washington Today—House Adjourned.

By Telegraph to the Times-Visitor. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Lieut. Col. Miles, Shafter's chief of staff, told the war investigators the positions of the two armies before Santiago and said the Spaniards were so conspicuous that there was no necessity for any reconnaissance in force to determine them. He said no doubt there were Spanish sharpshooters between the Spanish and American lines, but he was unable to find a single instance of Spanish sharpshooters firing on our hospitals in the rear or on our flank.

General Miles when before the war investigators condemned the arrangement for landing at Santiago. He says the operations there were too precipitous; that orders defining the amount of tonnage and transportation for Shafter's army had not been issued by Secretary Alger until after the expedition sailed. The provision for disembarkation, made by Gen. Ludlow, was poor. He had secured a number of pontoons and such material suitable for a small stream. Gen. Miles opposed the landing of a large amount of troops in Cuba. He had hoped to get tugs and lighters from New York, but they did not arrive. He did not think the supply of medicines ever sufficient, and he said that Gen. Young might have camped on high ground. He frequently referred to his correspondence, and in reply to a statement of Shafter, that the surgeon could get all the medicine needed, he said that Gen. Wood told him that four men of the 33d Michigan died from lack of medicine.

There was a small attendance in the House today. Several bills were passed by unanimous consent. On motion of Chairman Dingley, the House adjourned at 1:05.

In the Senate Mr. Hale moved that the Senate go into executive session. The eyes and nose were demanded and a roll call disclosed the absence of a quorum. A call of the Senate was made to consider the nomination of Ethan A. Hitchcock, of Missouri, as Secretary of the Interior, and he will be confirmed before Senate adjourns. The nomination was made by the President this morning.

Secretary Long is confined to his home with grip. Nothing is learned of his reported resignation.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Representative Rixey, of Virginia, fulendorses the opinion of Mr. McKinley, that the government ought to help take care of the Confederate dead, and goes further. He has introduced a bill providing that all maimed, crippled and needy soldiers and sailors, who served in the civil war, shall be admitted upon the same terms to all Soldiers' Homes and other institutions wholly maintained by the United States government.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections has referred the charge of bribery made against Senator Hanna, by the Ohio Senate, to a subcommittee, composed of Senators Hoar, Spooner and Turley, for investigation and report. There will be a white-wash report from the majority of this subcommittee, and that will end the matter, so far as this committee is concerned.

A joint resolution for the usual two weeks Christmas recess of Congress has been reported from the House Ways and Means Committee, and it will be promptly adopted.

The war investigation commission will take a Christmas holiday, although for anything it is accomplishing, it might just as well take a permanent holiday. The next prominent witness it will hear will be Gen. Shafter. The commission has been having a little trouble of its own. Half of its force of stenographers went on a strike, because they said they were tired of doing all the work, and that the other half were incompetent.

An effort will be made to raise the Mongolian pheasant in this State. Under legislative protection these splendid birds have enormously increased in Washington and Oregon. The experiment will be first tried in Wake, says Col. Olds in his correspondence.

"Jube" Possey, constable of the town of Calbarne, Tenn., was recently sent to levy on some calves in a stable, but mission was unsuccessful for the reasons set forth in the following memorandum which he jotted down on the levy before returning it to the court: "The above calves were seizable through the krafs, but not stibale, as the door was locked."

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Dr. Burns May be Criminally Indicted Next Month.

Since Mr. Perrin Busbee won his suit against Keeper of the Capitol J. L. Burns for poisoning his dog, it is more than probable that an indictment will be presented at the January term of the Wake Superior Court against Mr. Burns for cruelty to animals. This case will prove very interesting to the public.

AN INQUIRY AND ANSWER.

Editor of the Times-Visitor: I wish you would please ask your readers, or in some other way find out or settle it which night the children should hang up their stockings. As Christmas day proper comes on Sunday, I have heard of some who say they will observe Sunday, and some Saturday, as Christmas Eve, and some me some way should be adopted so that the same day should be universally observed. What is your opinion on the subject?

PARENT. The above inquiry presents many technical points which hang principally about two words, "children" and "stockings." In answering the query satisfactorily to the fond heart of "Parent," one must needs be possessed of a volume of general information, have considerable legal knowledge and be a parent of children who have stockings.

Turner's Almanac for 62 years last past, an authority among the dwellers in Rhamkatie, has, without successful contradiction located Christmas on the 25th day of December of each and every year. This arrangement has been accepted by those who have stockings and such as have no stockings, both parent and child. Christmas being the 25th day of December, then the evening of December 25th would necessarily become Christmas Eve, Christmas is not regulated by the day of the week, but when the 25th day of December falls on Sunday, custom has made Saturday preceding, in some localities, and Monday following in other localities, the day for public demonstration and celebration.

In the homes of the people there has never been any established rule by which to be governed. If one desires to utilize the chimney and fireplace rackets one must necessarily have the "children," also the "stockings." These two essential constituents being available all that is required of him who, through his purse, must assume the role of Santa Claus, is to assist the children in hanging their pedal extremity apparel beside the chimney corner on Saturday night, and while they sweetly sleep, fill the stockings full of goodies and toys, that the little ones' hearts may be made happy on Christmas morning.

ANOTHER PARENT.

A CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

By the First Baptist Sunday School Children. The Cantata Friday night, under the auspices of the Ladies' Improvement Society of the First Baptist church, by the young people of the Sunday school will be one of the grandest of the many holiday entertainments.

The spirit of expansion of enjoyment has developed in this entertainment, the nations of the earth will have representatives there. Of course a holiday occasion without Santa Claus would be a dry affair, so the old gentleman will be on hand, Uncle Sam, John Bull, Queen Lak, the heathen Chinese, the Filipino, the Irish wit, and Scotchman, Indian, Moor and the American dude, brownies and fairies will join in making it an evening of unalloyed pleasure. Among the more prominent characters are: Miss Ellen Durham, Miss Mattie Lumsden, Miss Minnie Lanier, Mr. Wm. Royal and others of the Sunday school. This is in a most worthy cause and the price of admission is within reach of all and it is hoped that a large audience will greet the ladies and children in their efforts.

Box sheet will be opened at King's drug store Wednesday morning. General admission 25 cts. for adults; 15 cts. for children, with one price for reserved seats, 25 cts.

XMAS IN PRISONS.

To the Good People of Raleigh: In our county Jail and State prison there are many intelligent men and women to whom you can give pleasure on Xmas morning by simply sending the bright periodicals and religious papers, which you have already read, to the Co-operative Store, on Fayetteville street, from which place I will gladly take and distribute them among the prisoners on Sunday. If you could see the eager hands stretched out for a fresh paper you would be only too glad to give those you have already used. Any copies of the Bible or Testament or other good books, no longer used in your homes, will be thankfully received for use in my prison work.

MRS. I. C. BLAIR, Supt. Prison Work W. C. T. U. Send by Saturday noon.

"Yes, Mrs. Punk, I can understand why you would not live in a small town."
"What do you mean?"
"Anybody can live in a city, but it takes people who have mental resources to enjoy life in a small town."—Chicago Record.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Familiar Faces in the Passing Through

SHORT STATEMENTS

Movement of People You Know—Gleanings in and About the City.—Snatch's of Today's Street Gossip.

Mr. R. P. Taylor, of Oxford, is in town.

Mr. Jones Fuller is here to spend the holidays.

Mr. James D. Glenn, of Greensboro, is in the city.

Mr. R. L. Vernon, of Charlotte, is at the Yarboro.

Mr. Henry E. Knox, Jr., of Charlotte, is at the Yarboro.

Mr. W. S. Primrose went to Fayetteville today on business.

Mr. T. D. Jones, of Gulf, is in the city today on business.

Mr. R. H. Battle left today for his farm in Edcombe county.

A number of students of St. Mary's will leave tomorrow for Christmas.

S. S. Daniel, of Winston, is appointed a United States Commissioner by Judge Purnell.

Rev. B. B. Culbreth, of Wilmington, is spending the holidays with friends in the city.

Misses Mamie and Ethel Norris returned today from a pleasant trip to Washington.

The State Board of Public Charities is called to meet Thursday to prepare the annual report.

Many students of Peace Institute will leave tomorrow and next day for their homes for the holidays.

Mrs. H. S. Leard will leave tomorrow for South Carolina where she will spend the Christmas holidays.

Letters are being received from legislators daily inquiring about board, etc., during the coming session.

Misses Lilly and Fannie Hoke, who have been visiting relatives in Baltimore, returned home yesterday.

The Legislature will convene two weeks from today. Governor Russell is completing his message to the body.

Rev. Mr. Yates, of this county, has returned from Chicago, where he has been attending the University of Chicago.

Today is the shortest day in the year and is the beginning of winter proper, although the weather does not bear out the assertion.

Miss Susan McPheeters returned home today from Mrs. Sebebe's school in Baltimore, to spend the holidays with her parents.

In a few months the president and faculty of the Baptist Female University will be chosen. The University will be opened next fall.

Mr. William Crawford is preparing to have another house built on his place on Salisbury street, between the intersection of Edenton and Jones.

The Christmas exercises of the West Raleigh Baptist Sunday school will be given tomorrow evening, December 23d, beginning at 7:20. The public is invited.

The seventh batch of claims in connection with the volunteers was yesterday sent to the War Department. This completes the list. The total is \$24,542.

The fence around the diocesan rectory corner of Wilmington and North street, has been removed and adds greatly to the beauty of that part of the city.

William Johnson, the negro, who has lost his wife, was arraigned before Mayor Powell today on the charge of disorderly conduct. He was made to pay the costs.

There is not a single store now vacant in Raleigh and three parties are said to be seeking places to open business. Even the new stores which are being built are said to be all taken.

Next Friday afternoon at 4:30 in the Sunday school room of the Edenton Street Methodist church an entertainment will be given by the infant class. An invitation is extended to the public to attend.

United States District Attorney C. M. Bernard has rented the McVea house corner of Polk and Blount streets and will move his family here shortly. Mrs. Bernard is now here doing the requisite shopping before moving.

Next Tuesday night the children's entertainment of the Presbyterian Sunday school will be given in their lecture room. Santa Claus will come down a chimney, and then destroy the chimney, giving each child a brick.

The Andrews Opera Company, forty forty strong, arrived this morning and will present Martha in the Academy of Music tonight. This is a fine opera and deserves a large house. They play nowhere in the State except under a positive guarantee.

A fire alarm was turned in this morning about 11 o'clock, but the alarm was caused by a chimney being on fire at a little house on East Cabarrus street. No damage was done and it was not necessary to even take the hose from the wagon.

Mr. R. B. Raney will have two handsome three-story brick buildings, for stores, erected on the corner of Salisbury and Hillsboro streets. A temporary building near his present store will be occupied by Mr. Robert Simpson while the new store is being built.

Applications for membership in the Lyceum are still coming in, but rather slowly. The directors will meet this week and it is hoped that a sufficient number of applications will then be in to enable the managers to complete the arrangements.

The examinations at the A. and M. College will be completed tomorrow, and the students will then leave for their homes to spend the holidays. The Christmas recess will last until January 3rd. About twenty students will spend the holidays in Raleigh.

Work is now being done under direction of the Seaboard Air Line in behalf of the banquet to be given at Southern Pines on January 9th next, in honor of the commercial traveling men and business men of this and adjoining States. The banquet will be given at the Piney Woods Inn. Every commercial traveller and all the business men in this section of the country are cordially invited to attend.

TOPE OF THE MARKETS

Months.	Open	Close.
January	5 41	5 42
February	5 43	5 43
March	5 44	5 44
April	5 44	5 44
May	5 50	5 50
June	5 54	5 54
July	5 57	5 57
August	5 61	5 61
September	5 60	5 60

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

change:	
American Tobacco	140
Sugar	125
American Spirits (pref.)	112
Burlington and Quincy	121
Con Gas	197
Chesapeake & Ohio	25
Delaware L & W	151
Jersey Central	93
Louisville & Nashville	63
Manhattan	96
Missouri Pacific	43
Northwestern	141
Rock Island	1009
Southern Preferred	41
U. S. Leather	69
Western Union	53
St. Paul	117
New York Central	123

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations on the Chicago Grain and Provision market today:	
Wheat—Dec 66; May, 68.	
Corn—Dec. 35. May 26.	
Oats—Dec. 25. May 26.	
Pork—May 9.72 Jan 9.42	
Lard—May 5.32 Jan. 5.10.	
Clear Rib Sides—May 4.85 Jan. 4.65.	

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

The following were the closing quotations of the Liverpool cotton market today:	
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December and January	3 62
January and February	3 62
February and March	3 63
March and April	3 64

WHAT TO LEARN.

Learn to laugh. A good laugh it better than medicine.
Learn to tell a story. A well told story is as welcome as a sunbeam in a sick room.
Learn to keep your troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows.
Learn to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in this world keep the bad to yourself.
Learn to attend strictly to your own business. A very important point.
Learn to greet your friends with a smile. They carry too many frowns in their own hearts to be bothered with any of yours.
As usual his mother asked him what he had learned at school that day.
"We learned about the kindergarten colors," he answered.
"The what?" she demanded.
"The kindergarten colors," he repeated.
"What in the world are the kindergarten colors?" she asked.
"Ho! don't you know that?" he returned scornfully. Why, orange, green, blue—
"Oh, you mean the primary colors!" she exclaimed.
"What's the difference?" he inquired.
—Chicago Post.
If you find you are being driven to despair get out and walk.