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SIGNS OF PEACE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION SAYS ROBERTS The Sunday school people in this city are interested in the event of next week. Kruger Said to Have Cabled ticipate in the great meeting that is to be held.

Overtures to Salisbury

BRITISH REFUSAL

IS EXPECTED NOW

Reinforcements Sent to Roberts in Free State-Women Take up Guns and Will Fight for Republic.

London, March 9 .- President Kruger has cabled overtures of peace to Lord Salisbury. It is believed that he has refused them. .

WILL RE-INFORCE ROBERTS. Durban, March 9 .- It is understood that General Warren's Fifth division of General Buller's forces, will be sent to the Orange Free State to re-inforce General This would seem to indicate Roberts. that no attempt will be made by General Buller to force his way through the Drakensburg passes.

London, March 9 .-- John Redmond, M. today received the following telegram: We challenge you to repeat publicly

In Dublin, your statement in the House of Commons yesterday respecting the Queen's visit to Ireland."

(Signed.) THE IRISH TRANSVAAL COMMITTEE.

GERMANY TO REMAIN NEUTRAL. Munich, March 9.- A private letter from General Von Dergoltz, writing from "Personally my sympathy is with the Boers. I desire their ultimate triumph. but Germany must remain neutral.

THE SIGNS OF PEACE.

London, March 9 .- In various quarters there are signs of peace. All the dispatches from General Roberts' headquarters, including commanders' in cheif, indicate the lack of a guiding spirit amon the Boers, and also individual demoraliza, portending to disintegration unless speedily stemmed. The flight of the burghers from Popular Grove, from all accounts, was wholly inglorious. The cor-respondents there say there is a growing outery against any further identification of the Free State's with the Transvaal's 41110 interests.

DISMBAYED BY ROBERTS' VICTORY. London, March 9 .- The Times has Asafontein dispatches stating that General Roberts' victory caused dismay at Bloemfontein, and that the submission of the Orange Free Staters is expected within a week.

THE FORCE AGAINST ROBERTS. March 9 .--- Thursday. Poplar Grove. March 9.-(Delayed.)-Many Free State burghers are clamoring to President Steyn to surrender. The force opposing General Roberts Wednesday is now estiRALEIGH. N, C., FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 9, 1900.

COL. CUNINGHAM **MEETS HIS FRIENDS**

Many from this city are expected to par- So Says the Charlotte Observer

of Today

COL. CUNINGHAM

HAS ENCOURAGEMENT

What the State Board of Agriculture did at its Meeting-The Interest of

Farmers at Heart.

agree. He will be the most prominent Colonel Fred Olds writing in this morn spirit of the convention; but will be ing's Charlotte Observer says: ably assisted by leading Sunday school "Colonel John S. Cuningham finds that

he has a great many warm friends and supporters here who desire to see him get the nomination for Governor. These are in all walks of life." Colonel Cuningham has been in Ral-

eigh for the past two or three days and will leave tonight for his home in Person county. While here he has received the most encouraging news from his friends who are pushing him forward for the nomination. Colonel Olds is right in estimate regarding Colonel Cuninghis ham's popularity in this city and county and this is evidenced by the welcome that he receives on the occasions of his visits The object of Colonel Cuningham's here visit to this city at this time was to preside over the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture of which he is chairman. Speaking of the meeting Colonel Cuningham said: "This was the annual meet ing of the board and they transacted much business of importance. The name of the Experiment Farm was changed to Test Farms, the object of these farms being to ascertain which fertilizers are suited to the various soils. The commit-tee appointed to select locations for these farms have already succeeded in getting a farm near Tarboro and one near Red Springs in Robeson county. They will locate these Test Farms in other secions of the State as rapidly as possible A committee was appointed to find out whether the rise in fertilizers is due to the advance of the raw material or whether a combination has been formed

Market Inspector McRary Picks up a Hot Article Mayor Powell put the fine limit for disorderly conduct on Willie Smith, colored, charged with that offence. Willie Smith, from the testimony giver

HE WAS A PIECE OF BAD MEAT

in Mayor's court today, had been visiting a hay mound in which a hen had her nest He found the hen to be away from homand took charge of the eggs in the nest. When the hen returned she missed them and so did the hen's owner, but it was considered too trivial a matter to carry to the courts. But Willie was not satisfied. He went

to the Market House-the one that is or is not to be sold-and when he was accused of taking the eggs, he consigned the body and soul of his accuser to parts unknown. The language that Willie used was offensive even to the butchers, so Market Inspector McRary nabbed Willle as a piece of bad meat and condemned him to the station house until his case

could be heard by Mayor Powell. The case was heard. So was Willie As a result the egg business will be conducted at the old stand by the old hen, without interference from Willie.

"I have always believed in practicing the conservative policy in business and the same in politics. The people in all of the counties in which I have been, and I have travelled in many districts of the State, are strongly in favor of the constitutional amendment and I think it will

"A large cotton mill at Roxboro, cost-ing nearly \$100,000, will soon be completed. Hon. J. A. Long, one of the wealthiest and most enterprising men of the State is president of the mill. I am glad to see the rapid progress North Carolina is making in manufacturing. I believe the day is not far distant when the cotton factories will be transferred from Massachusetts to North Carolina.

ing figures in the establishment of the Roxboro mill, and is interested in cotton and other milling in this county and throughout the State.

Miss Lena Winnifred Partin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Partin, and Mr to put up the prices. The Board of William Henry Broughton were married Agriculture is destrous to see that not last evening at 9 o'clock at the home only the farmers but the manufacturers of the bride, 502 Oakwood avenue, Rev.

GEORGE MEDLIN FACES BAD CHARGE

Accused by Eght Year Old Rosa Howell

TRIAL IN PROGRESS THIS AFTERNOON

Medlin. an Employee of the City, Faces a Sad Story From His Alleged Victim-The Little Girl's Story.

The testimony of little eight year old Rosa Howell in Magistrate John Upchurch's Court this afternoon, told a sad story of the attempt of George Medlin to commit that nameless crime upon her at her home when he had been called upon to render assistance to the little ones in the house at a time when it is alleged that he was intoxicated.

A warrant was sworn out this morning by the mother of the little girl for the arrest of Medlin and the trial began this afternoon about 3:45 o'clock. Medlin was represented by Mr. R. H. Battle and Mr. M. N. Amis conducted the prosecution. As The Times-Visitor goes to press the trial is still in progress. Rosa Howell was sworn and place I on

the stand. The little girl was as composed as one

of many years her senior. She said she knew what was right and wrong and what the penalty for failure

to tell the truth. "It's to go to the bad boy." she an-

swered. The little girl spoke rapidly and told her story clearly, the only doubt in her uind being a lack of judgment of length of time

She told how on yesterday afternoon she was left at home with her younger brother and the little baby, while her mother and older sister were away. The fire went out and the little babe was growing cold. She wished some one to build a fire and for this purpose directed her younger brother to call in the first passer-by to render the assistance which had become necessary. George Medlin happened to be the first

erson to come that way. He was summoned by the little boy

and came in the house for the purpose of kindling the fire for the baby. He did this and then from a pint bottle he took a drink of whiskey. He asked the little girl to take a drink, but she refused. Then, she says, he took her in another room, where, according to her story in ourt, he made attempts to do such things as cannot be mentioned in print. It was impossible for him to accomplish his pur-

Rosa says that she broke into tears and protested, as did also her little brother, but that it met only with threats o punish if quiet was not kept. She cried, but no one came to her rescue. However, Medlin, after some time had clapsed, she said two hours, (but she appeared to have no idea of time), left the room and hid behind the chimney. Soon accordingly. flow this hor older sister returned and the little ones told her the story of Medlin's alleged assault. Medlin, returned about the same time, she says, and the older sister raked him over the coals on the subject. He made a denial. She also claimed that Medlin returned to the house again this morning and that they sent for Mr. Joe Francis, who went to search for Medlin and to have him arrested. On examination, both by Mr. Amis and Magistrate Upchurch, and cross-examination by Mr. Battle, the little girl told about the same story. She was very much abashed when she told the story of how Medlin approached her in the room and how he treated her and the way in which he handled her. George Medlin is in the employ of the city on the street force. He was placed on the stand late this afternoon and made a denial in toto. Medlin was discharged it being thought that the child in her excitement misunderstood his oproose and there was not sufficient corroboration to her story and is there was no evidence of bodily in jury.

25 Cents a Month

THE MARKET HOUSE ELECTION

Communication From a Prominent Citizen on the Coming Election.

Editors Times-Visitor: As you open your columns to a discussion of the sale of the Market House property, and there being some who have not made up their minds fully as to which way to vote, 1 desire to propound some questions that I presume can be answered easily by those who are anxious to sell, and may gain them votes. I assume that your statement is correct that only the land covered by the Market House will be conveyed in the title; that now used as streets on the north and south side is to remain as streets, and that no bid will be onsidered under fifty thousand dollars. (Correct me if I am wrong.)

First. If a sale is effected, when the title is made, will there be a stipulation that the owner shall not carry op, or allow carried on, any of the business for which the premises are now used?

Second. If such an agreement is entered into, and the trade of the market be removed to some other locality, will it not decrease the value of all the adja cent real estate, and if so how much will the city lose in taxes annually?

Third. If the object sought by this sale is the one of obtaining a large auditorium, and the city is to furnish it, would it be better to invest fifteen or twenty thousand dollars in some out of the way place where no revenue will be derived from it, or to invest it in remodeling the Market House, so as to have not only a large and commodious auditorium, but a good theatrical hall which would pay back a good revenue? It is certainly a good location.

Fourth. Is there any possibility (there is no probability that I can see) that there is a scheme somewhere that will "feather the nest" of any individuals or syndicate at the expense of the city, if this sale is effected and other property purchased?

Very respectfully. AN ENGINEER.

A CAPITAL MARKET HOUSE. Mr. Editors: A great deal has been written and said anent the moving of the market house, etc. On the 19th inst. an election will be held to determine what disposal shall be made of the site of the market place. The city lot has been spoken of as a suitable place for the market bouse and auditorium, and several other places have been mentioned. but in order to settle the controversy, without holding an election, I would suggest that the Board of Aldermen petition the Legislature (which meets in Raleigh this summer) to donate the capitol building to this city, to be used as a market house and let the State build a wooden capitol on the site of the city lot, which is splendid location for such a building The partition walls on the west side of capitol could be taken out and meat the stalls erected, and on the east side the same thing could be done and devote that side to vegetables. The House of Reprecentatives would make a nice place to sell fish, while the Senate chamber would be an excellent place in which to manufacture ice to sell to the butchers. The auditorium, city offices and guard house could also be crected o nthe city lot. The capitol park would make a splendid market place for the sale of cattle, as there is a nice grazing there. Let our Aldermen consider the above advice, and act

IKE DONKEY'S COUSIN.



be carried by a large majority.

Colonel Cuningham was one of the mov

MARRIAGE LAST EVENING

mated at fifteen thousand. It seems to have melted away in disorder before General French's pursuit.

ONE MONTH MORE OF WAR. Lorenzo Marquez, Thursday, March 9. (Delayed.)-President Kruger is quoted as saying in an address to the army that he didn't know whether arbitration of intervention would end the struggle, but he strongly believed the war would end within the next month.

PRETORIA'S DEFENCES.

Pretoria, March 9.-The defences of the city are being strengthened at every point. So great is the secrecy observed about the scheme of the defences that nobody is alowed to walk or drive on the outskirts of the town.

THE WOMEN WILL FIGHT.

Pretoria, March 9 .- The Boer women will be enthusinstic to the end of the The recent reverses have aroused their patriotism, and they will take up arms themselves in defense of the beloved republic. A number of women have to form a home guard to enable the men who now do that duty to go to the front. The women are good shots and are as courageous as their husbands.

ALL EFFORTS FRUITLESS.

Poplar Grove, Friday, March 9.-Both President Kruger and President Steyn were present at the battle Wednesday They did all in their power to rally the men after they broke and fied before French's cavalry, but all their efforts were fruitless.

The men bluntly refused to face the withering fire from the artillery o ntheir front, and eight thousand cavalrymen sweeping around their rear. Both presidents rode among the disordered forces, begging, urging and commanding the men face the music, but threats and entreatles were equally futile.

SUPERIOR FORCE WON.

London, March 9.-General Roberts wires that Presidents Kruger and Steyn were present Wednesday at the battle, when the Boers were completely routed, the men declaring that they could not stand against the British artillery and such a force of cavalry.

AUCTION OF GROCERIES.

Messrs. W. J. Upchurch & Company will close out the balance of their stock of groceries tonight at auction. The stock includes a fine line of canned goods. There is to be no by bidding, but the goods will go to the highest bidder.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, March 9.-Cotton- The market is quiet with quotations ten to fifteen points in advance of last night's closing.

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Moskowski-Valse major 6. Richard Wagner-Traume (Dreams). Miss Tucker. Wagner-Liszt-Liebestod (Love-death).

The seventeenth annual convention of

the North Carolina Sunday School Asso-

ciation will be held in Charlotte March

14th and 15th and 16th, commencing on

The convention will be attended by

Mr. B. F. Jacobs, of Chicago, who is chairman of the executive committee of

the International Sunday School Associa-

tion, and who is generally considered as

the founder of the international lessor

system. The attendance of Mr. Jacobs upon the convention insures its success.

as all who have ever heard him will

The address of the opening session will

be made by Rev. James Atkins, D. D.,

of Nashville, Tenn., Sunday School edi-

tor of the Southern Methodist Church.

Rev. B. F. Spilman, of Raleigh, field sec-

retary of the Sunday school department

of the Baptist Church, will conduct a

Sunday school institute on Thursday

afternoon. Dr. J. F. Monroe, of Davidson

College, will present the subject of "Sun-

day School Work in the Manufacturing

Other prominent workers named on the

program (which is yet incomplete) are N. B. Broughton and Jos. H. Weathers,

of Raleigh; Geo. W. Watts, of Durham; Prof. F. S. Blair, of Guilford College; J.

W. Bryan and N. B. Parker, of Golds-boro; Rev. A. D. Thaeler, of Winston;

Entertainment will be provided for by

the citizens of Charlotte for all delegates.

Reduced rates have been secured from

all railroad lines-the rate being full fare

No Sunday school superintendent who

wishes his school in the front should de-

prive himself of this unusual opportuni-

ty of being in a convention with Mr.

Jacobs for two days. Many workers in

all parts of this country and Canada

have journeyed long distances to enjoy

THE CONCERT TONIGHT

Miss Minnie Fitch Tucker Will Sing at

the Govenor's Mansion

The second and last of the musical re-

citals of the season at the Governor's

Mansion will be given tonight. It will

be a plano recital by Mr. Stanley Olm-

1. Bethoven, Op. 53, First Movement.

2. Richard Wagner-Der Engel (The Angel), Rad der Zeit (Wheel of Time).

sung by Miss Minnie Fitch Tucker. 3. Schumann-Des Abends (Of Even

Chopin-Etude, Ballade, (A flat major)

4. Richard Wagner-Im Treibhauze

(In the hot-house); Schmerzen (Pains)

Mendelssohn-Spinnenlied (Spin

stead, of Peace Institute.

ng):

ning Song).

Miss Tucker.

Brahms-Capriccio.

5. Grieg-Selected.

The program is as follows

going and one-third fare returning.

Charles Ross, of Asheboro.

similar pleasure.

Districts."

workers of this and other States.

Wednesday, the 14th.

Wagner-Brassin - Feuerzäuber . (Fire Magic)

DURHAM HAS LIGHT

After a Month of Darkness Electric Lights are Furnished

(Durham Sun.) After being darkness ever since the ilth of February, Durham has light again The electric lights were turned on just before dark Wednesday night both on the streets and in the business houses After being without electric lights for nearly four weeks, the sight of them coming on again was quite welcome. The power is furnished from the temporary plant erected on the sight of the plant that was destroyed. The electric light people have done remarkably well in furnishing lights so soon after the complete destruction of their former plant. They deserve commendation for so doing. although it may be said that it was as much to their interest as to their patrons that they were so prompt. They would have been even prompter, and had the lights on two or three nights earlier if a section of pipe had arrived in time.

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL."

Mr. Livingston Barbour, the great character impersonator, will appear here Friday night, April 6th, in the Academy of Music under the auspices of the "Woman's Exchange" for the benefit of the carpet fund of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Barbour will present on this oc casion Dickens' "Christmas Carol." prominent New York paper says: "Dick-'ns' "Christmas Carol" as rendered by Mr. Barbour becomes something more than a story; it is a play with each character clearly, forcibly and attractive, ly presented.

WARMER SATURDAY.

For Raleigh and vicinity Clearing this afternoon; fair, warmer Saturday, southerly winds.

Cloudy, rainy weather is now confined to the Atlantic and East Gulf States and is caused by slight barometric depressions, one over Florida and the other off Hatteras. Quite warm and generally fair weather prevails in the Ohio and Mississipp) valleys, with the temperatures at 8 a. m. muchm above freezing and southerly winds. The temperature has fallen to below zero at Bismarck, N. D.,

but cold weather in that vicinity cau not have much force further south.

COL. JNO. S. CUNINGHAM.

of fertilizers are treated fairly. As soon [B. W. Spillman officiating. as this committee find out the facts in . Many friends witnessed the ceremony the case they will make a report, and The bridni couple said the marriage vows not only publish it in the Bulletin, but under a beautiful arch of evergreens, in the press of the State. The farmers The decorations consisted of plants and of Eastern North Carolina, from what potted flowers. Refreshments were serv-I can learn, were very much dissatisfied ed after the ceremony.

reports that there has been a considera- presents were numerous and handsome. ble decrease in the yield in the number of pounds of tobacco in the past few years; whereas the price on some of our largest markets has decreased from an average of \$13 per hundred pounds to I think it is wise to make this \$6.22. investigation and to learn where the

fault lies. From the reports that I have the farmers in Eastern North Carolina will not plant as much tobacco this year as formerly, owing to the high price of cotton. My advice to tobacco and cotton growers is to diversify their crops and raise their supplies at home, and then to grow as much tobacco and cotton as they can as the money crops."

Colonel Cuningham is much gratified at the active support he is receiving from his friends in Raleigh and Wake county in his contest for the gubernatorial nom nation. He believes that the best of feeling should prevail among the candidates and the friends of the candidates. as well before the nomination in April as after the nomination. He not only thinks that he will get a strong vote in the State Convention from Raleigh and Wake county, but from other sections of

North Carolina. "I do not believe in any class legislation," said Colonel Cuningham, "and I believe that the voice of the people should govern in all things.

with their prices for tobacco grown last Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, who are popyear. I can see no reason for the de-cline of the price of tobacco. I friends, were the recipients of hearty "The department at Washington City congratulations and best wishes. The

MILLER-WILLIAMS.

Thursday's Charlotte Observer contained the following:

Mr. U. B. Williams, of Raleigh, was married in this city yesterday afternoon at I o'clock to Miss Nancy Selma Miller, daughter of Mr. Auten Miller. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mr James Knight, corner of Cedar street and West avenue, by 'Squire D. G. Maxwell. Mr. Williams is well known in Charlotte.

Captain T. R. Robertson, in Company A.

A YOUNG NEWSPAPER VICTIM.

(Charlotte Observer.) Mr. Roscoe Mitchell, a bright young newspaper man, who is in charge of the Raleigh bureau of the Asheville Gazette, spent yesterday in Charlotte. When the Caucassian becomes a daily, as it will soon, he will be its city editor. Mr. Mitchell is a native of Alamance, and a

nephew of Captain George F. Bason. Last evening he was in tow of Captain M. M. Albright, oen of the Southern's popular man conductor's, who is himself an Alamance

REPORTED BILL FAVORABLY.

Washington, March 3.-The Senate com mittee on foreign affairs has agreed to report the Hay-Pauncefote treaty with an amendment giving the United States the ame control of the Nicaraguan Canal as England has over the Suez Canal.

The committee on appropriations has reported the Porto Rico bill and bill on appropriations favorably, which will be taken up tomorrow.

SIXTEEN MINERS KILLED.

Nimes, France, March 9 .- Sixteen min ers were killed in an explosion in the coal pit at Bosseges today. The galler ies of the mine collapsed, burying the bodies of the victims.

HANGED AT NOON.

Trenton, N. J., March 8.-Edward Williams was hanged at noon today for the murder of his swet heart, Minnie Eles-

Epworth Sunday school. Raleigh, ha received the second prize offered by Messrs. J. and P. B. Myers, of New York, for the best design for church decoration for Christmas. Epworth Sunday school design was planned and photographed by Mr. J. H. Clifton, foreman of the Advocate force, and who is also Treasurer of Epworth Sunday school.

A call meeting of W. R. Womble Hook and Ladder Company Friday night, March 5th, 1900, at 8 o'clock. By order fore

F. K. MABRY. Secretary. DEATH OF LITTLE CHARLIE MILLER.

Again has the fell destroyer removed one of God's brightest jewels. little Charles Henry, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller, whose death occurred at their home yesterday morning a short while after 11 o'clock, of the dread discase meningitis. Little Charlie had been sick only a few days, and there was but little hope of recovery to cheer the loved ones from the first. Only yesterday the broken hearted mother thought her darling was better and her hope that he might still be spared to her was much strengthened. But a little later the voice of Jesus called the little one to ome unto him and rest. May God send his richest bleasings to the mother. father, brother, sister and the dear old grandmother, whose greatest pleasure as this little sunbeam, who had brightened her life for nearly two years.

Little Charlie was a very bright child. and a special pet with all his friends. Only those who have had the same sor row can know how this little form will he missed by the loved ones.

A FRIEND.

JEFFREYS vs. SHARKEY TONIGHT

The Moving Pictures to be Shown in the Academy of Music.

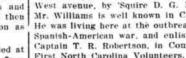
Moving pictures of the Jeffries-Sharkey fight, decided at Coney Island on the night of November 30, are to be the attraction at the Academy of Music tonight. The following is part of the Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle's notice of the performance there Tuesday night:

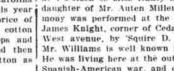
"Many people who would not attend a prize fight had their curiosity to see what prize fight is like gratified last night by the moving pictures of the great Coney Island fight between Jeffries and Sharkey It is certainly a wonderful photographic and mechanical achievement, and it difficult to realize that one is not looking at the men as they move about the roped-in-arena. It is a prize fight removed from its objectionable surroundings, and proceeding amid silence without the sports and toughs who infest such gatherings, and free from the betting and boisterous exclamations that are the usual accomodations of the prize ring

"oT the unskillful there is nothing in the fight that is decisive of victory, and when the twenty-fifth round is ended it is doubtful how the audience would decide if it were left to a vote of the spectators, but those who are up in the science say Jeffries had all the best of it 'in points."

"From a scientific stanpoint it is a wonderful production, and surpasses any moving pictures that have been displayed heretofore,"

He was living here at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, and enlisted with First North Carolina Volunteers.





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