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MINERS' CONVENTION

Strikers Busy Today Electing Delegates to go to Scranton Monday

SETTLE IT THEMSELVES

Mitchell Says National Officers Will Allow the Miners to Accept or Reject.

By Telegraph to The Times. SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 9.—The miners' convention to be held Friday is the sole topic of conversation here. Every local union in the district is selecting its delegates today. President Mitchell will come tonight or early tomorrow. The strike will hereafter be directed from this city, where Mitchell has selected headquarters at the St. Charles Hotel. The convention will be held in Music Hall, the use of which has been donated to the miners. The hall is not large and its capacity will undoubtedly be taxed to the utmost with a crowd of 1,000 persons. According to District Deputy Dempsey, there are 2,000 miners in the district and the other districts have at least 4,000 more. The ratio of representation at the convention is one delegate for every 100 members, with the proviso that a delegate may represent four or more. Mitchell says neither he or any of the national officers will try to influence the voting one way or the other. The strikers are to be left to themselves to decide whether or not they will accept the ten per cent offer. PARADE AT SHAMOKIN. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 9.—Big demonstration of striking miners will be held here at one o'clock today. President Mitchell and other prominent leaders will be present. Mass meetings follow at which Mitchell speaks upon issues of the strike. It is estimated that 10,000 men will take part in the street parade. The city is profusely decorated.

TO PARADE TOMORROW

By Telegraph to The Times. SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 9.—Preparations have been completed for the big miners' parade tomorrow. It is estimated that many more will assemble at the mass meeting to hear the address of President Mitchell. "Methers" Jones will be "one of the miners" in the parade.

SHE WAS THE CORPSE

Did Insurance Thieves Kill Their Own Principle?

By Telegraph to The Times. CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 9.—The authorities have laid hands on what they believe to be a sensational attempt at insurance swindling. Charges of insurance fraud, which are imputations of murder, are lodged against three men. Warrants in the case were issued against the following: Dr. August M. Unger, F. W. Brown, assistant manager; and Roland detective agency; and E. H. Smith, an operative of the same agency. The three men were arrested at 11 o'clock last night and held in a local jail. Marie Debenbach, twenty-three years old, is the deceased principal in the case. She is said to have been a party to the plot, which it is alleged contemplated the substitution of a corpse for Miss Debenbach. But the fact that she is dead is the sensational feature of what would ordinarily have been a common case of insurance swindling. Marie Debenbach died the latter part of August. In July she obtained money from the New York Life Insurance Company a policy for \$5,000. On or about August 10 she secured insurance in the Canadian Order of Foresters for \$2,000 and held in a local jail. Marie Debenbach, twenty-three years old, is the deceased principal in the case. She is said to have been a party to the plot, which it is alleged contemplated the substitution of a corpse for Miss Debenbach.

STEVENSON SPEAKS.

Made Several Addresses in West Virginia Today.

By Telegraph to The Times. WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 9.—Vice-Presidential candidate Adlai E. Stevenson reached Wheeling at 7 o'clock this morning. After having breakfast he left at 9 o'clock on a special train over the Ohio Valley Railroad to continue his trip through West Virginia. Mr. Stevenson denied that he has been ill, as reported yesterday, and said he never felt better in his life. He said he was pleased with his reception and predicted Bryan's success by a large majority. No speech had been scheduled for his arrival, owing to the early hour of his arrival. But Mr. Stevenson was obliged to make a few remarks to a fair-sized crowd from the end of the train.

CONVENTION OF HOO HOOS.

By Telegraph to The Times. BALLAS, TEXAS, Oct. 9.—The annual convention of the Hoo Hoos is in session in this city today. Captain George W. Leek, of Lake Charles, La., presided as suzer of the universe, the senior Hoo Hoos is Charles F. Keith, Kansas City, Mo.; Junior Hoo Hoos, J. W. Lawrence, Boston, Mass.; Junior, A. D. McLeod, Cincinnati, O.; Senior, J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.; Junior, A. H. White, Lincoln, Neb.; Curator, John M. Mason, Vique Chateau, Miss.; Arranger, Eugene Shaw, Eau Claire, Wis.

ARMY OF CUMBERLAND

Reunion Held at Chickamauga. Blue and Gray

By Telegraph to The Times. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Oct. 9.—The annual reunion of the Society of the Army of Cumberland which is being held here, will continue tomorrow and next day. A number of Union and Confederate veterans are in town. General D. S. Stanley, president of the Society is in charge. There will be a general reunion of the veterans of all the armies, who have filled the town. The Blue and the Gray harmonizing most happily. The Spanish-American war veterans are also here in large numbers. Arrangements were completed some time ago for the inspection by the veterans of all the armies engaged about Chattanooga, of the historical tablets, monumental inscriptions and location of lines of battle upon the seven battlefields embraced in the Chickamauga and Chattanooga Park, the object being to secure verification or correction by participants in the battles of the historical work thus far completed. This inspection has the approval of the secretary of war. It believed over 10,000 veterans will be here before the exercises end.

BRYANS' TOUR

Enthusiastic Audiences all Through Illinois

By Telegraph to The Times. QUINCY, ILL., Oct. 9.—Bryan began his second day's tour of Illinois this morning. His meetings yesterday in the Southern part of the State were nearly all short, giving the candidate an opportunity for rest, evidence of which he showed today. Bryan went through a timely popular oration yesterday. While the audiences did not in size compare with the Indiana crowds of last week, they compared favorably in enthusiasm. The itinerary today is: Camp Point, Golden, Carthage, Alton, LaSalle, Joliet. The private car "Rambler" will be taken into Chicago during the night, and Wednesday he will leave for two days in Michigan. Bryan will spend next Sunday in Cleveland.

RUSSIAN PILGRIMS KILLED.

Upper Story of an Inn Gave Way. Forty Dead.

By Telegraph to The Times. ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 9.—A terrible accident occurred last night in the Parkoff district, North Russia, where 5,000 pilgrims had assembled to attend a religious festival at monastery of St. Nikander. Many of the pilgrims put up at an inn. Some time in the night the upper story of the building gave way under the weight of the sleeping people and fell upon those in the lower store. The cry of fire added to the panic which followed. Thirty-six women and four men were crushed to death, and twenty persons were injured, some of them fatally.

LAST BARBECUE

The Old Rescue Company to the Front with a Celebration.

The last of the barbecues of this season by Raleigh fire companies will be given at the Water Works tomorrow, beginning at ten o'clock by the Rescue Fire Company, of which Mr. R. E. Lumsden is Captain. The committee on entertainment consists of Messrs. McHenry, Meyer and Pennington. A great time is arranged for and the occasion promises to be as enjoyable as the barbecues given by ten other companies of this city. After the dinner, consisting of barbecue, Brunswick stew, etc., is partaken of tomorrow, the Mayor, city officials and other invited guests are expected to deliver stirring orations.

NAGLE MANSLAUGHTER CASE.

By Telegraph to The Times. BOSTON, Oct. 9.—The case against William Nagle, who caused the death of J. J. Hayes in June last by knocking him down in the street, came up on adjournment today in Municipal Court and is now in progress. The case presents some unusual and interesting points.

CHICAGO'S POSTAL ANNEX.

By Telegraph to The Times. CHICAGO, Oct. 9.—The annex to the temporary post office has been finished in this, the anniversary of the great fire. It is estimated that 3,000 carriers will be present at the dedication exercises and will be addressed by Senators Culham and Mason. Several representatives will also speak. There will be a large representation present of State officials. Postmaster Gordon will preside at the celebration.

CHESAPEAKE CLUB SHOOT.

By Telegraph to The Times. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Oct. 9.—The Chesapeake Gun Club will hold today the most notable trophy shoot by its history, the Bismarck Richmond, Newport News and Williamsburg associations are well represented. No table trophies are offered, the public taking a lively interest in the tournament.

PARNELL'S ANNIVERSARY.

By Telegraph to The Times. DUBLIN, Oct. 9.—The anniversary of Parnell, the Irish leader, occurs today. There are many visitors to his grave in Glasnevin Cemetery, near this city.

TRIAL OF YOUTSEY.

State Treasurer Day Saw Youtsey with Gun in His Hand.

SOME DAMAGING EVIDENCE

Sam Shepherd Saw Goebel Just After the Shooting. Youtsey Received Cartridges.

By Telegraph to The Times. GEORGETOWN, Ky., Oct. 9.—Court was in session only an hour this morning. The jury left at 10:20 o'clock for Frankfort to view the State House grounds and premises. Dr. Eler, of Frankfort, one of the physicians who attended Goebel after the shooting, was the first witness. He told of a conversation with Youtsey about two weeks before the shooting, in which the prisoner said: "If I had \$500 I would settle this contest." He stated that Youtsey refused to explain, and Day answered him: "You bet I'm that kind of man," to which Youtsey said: "You are treasurer and I thought you were the man to go to." He said he saw Youtsey sitting in the second window of the reception room of the Secretary of State's office with a gun in his hand. Arthur Branch, of the Adams Express Company, Frankfort, said he received a package for Youtsey January 23rd. It was from the Powell Clement Arms Company, of Cincinnati, which the State claims contained cartridges. Sam Shepherd, of Frankfort, was the next witness. He said he was at work at his desk in the Auditor's office when Goebel was shot. He saw Youtsey about a minute after the shooting in the hall. He said Youtsey carried a pistol. George Barnes, of Frankfort, testified he saw Youtsey and Dr. Johnson with cartridges in Youtsey's office. He heard Johnson say: "Take these, they go with the gun."

CASE CONTINUED

Trial of Democratic Registrars Postponed Till April.

Col. Thomas M. Argo returned from Greensboro today, where he was engaged in the defense of the Democratic registrars. This case was the indictment of Registrars Thompson and Wall, of Winston, in the Federal Court. The defense asked continuance on the ground that two important witnesses were absent, that fifteen names had been added to the bill of indictment since it was originally drawn, and that Mr. Wall was ill. Judge Boyd held that this was sufficient cause for a continuance, and the cases went over until the April term of the court. Judge Shepherd returned from Troy today and says that business engagement there prevented him from being in Greensboro.

CHINESE SUBMIT.

By Telegraph to The Times. ROME, Oct. 9.—A message from Rio says Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee and Admiral of the Powers, has invited the civil and military authorities of the province of Chi Chi Li to submit within forty-eight hours, nearly all the Chinese. In question agreed to accept voluntarily, says the dispatch, and a general disarmament followed. The message from Rio adds that 8,000 Chinese who were at work on the fortifications of the great wall followed suit when the request to submit was received.

HAS RIDEN 1,700 MILES.

By Telegraph to The Times. NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Margaret Gast, the woman cyclist, endeavoring to wheel 2,000 miles in ten days, completed her seventeenth century a little after day this morning. She is a little behind her schedule, owing to miserable weather conditions. All through the main her night she rode a wheel covered with mud. Her condition is excellent.

PRICE OF TEA TO GO UP.

By Telegraph to The Times. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9.—Local tea merchants say that they look for another advance in the price of tea. There has been a shortage in the Japanese tea crop, and the demand in Russia and European countries is greater than ever before.

FAVOR MEMORIAL DAY CHANGE.

By Telegraph to The Times. LANCASTER, Pa., Oct. 9.—The eighteen Grand Army posts of Lancaster county met here today. The association at its last meeting adopted a resolution endorsing a memorial to the chief of the National Guard to change Decoration Day from May 30 to the last Sunday in the month.

OPERATION POSTPONED.

By Telegraph to The Times. BALTIMORE, Oct. 9.—The operation that was to have been performed upon Mrs. Stoneval Jackson today was postponed. Mrs. Jackson is comfortably situated at the Church Home and Infirmary, on North Broadway.

CHURCH WORKERS.

Episcopal Religious Laborers Among the Colored People Meet Here

SERMON FOR TO-NIGHT

Topics Suggest for Discussion. Rev. H. L. Phillips of Phila. Pres. Bishop to Preach.

The sixteenth annual conference of church workers among the colored people of the United States in the Episcopal Church will be held at St. Augustine's Church at that school, beginning this evening and ending with a session Friday evening. Representatives of all branches of Episcopal Church work among the negroes will be present, and these annual conferences result in great good arising from an exchange of ideas and a consideration of plans for the growth of the Episcopal Church and the extension of the Gospel among the colored people. All engaged in this work, both white and colored, take part in the conference, which is strictly religious. The conference was held last year in New York city, and at that time Raleigh was selected as the next place of meeting. Rev. Henry L. Phillips, of Philadelphia, is the president, and he arrived in this city last night to open the first session this evening. Thirty or forty representatives from at least half a dozen States will be present. The program for these sessions, all of which will be held in St. Augustine's Church, is as follows: TUESDAY, 7:30 p. m. Sermon, by Rev. Gen. F. Briggs, of Baltimore. WEDNESDAY, 8:30 a. m. Celebration of the Holy Communion and an Address by Rt. Rev. Joseph Blount Chesnut, Bishop of North Carolina. Organization. 1. To 3. Recreations; 3 to 6. Business Meeting. SUGGESTED SUBJECTS. (a) Condition of Our Missionary Work; (b) Discussion; (c) Concentration; (d) Condition of the field—what is being done—what might be done; (e) Is the parochial system adapted to our Missionary work? 1. How can we best help to extend the Church? (a) In the Christian life; (b) in social exchanges—Religious gatherings; (c) in Sunday Schools; (d) in financial support. THURSDAY, 8:20 a. m. Service. Business Session. 1. When does help become detrimental in Missionary work? 2. Would ecclesiastical independence be beneficial to the work of church growth and extension? 3. Would a "Bible Order" be helpful to our work? (a) A community of Celebrate Priests; (b) To be absolutely under the control of the Bishop of Archdiocese. 4. Are there any special hindrances to Church growth and prosperity? If so, what are they? Remedy. 1. To 3. Recreations. Afternoon session: 1. Best means of deepening the spiritual life of the clergy. 2. Is a field secretary or an assistant secretary (colored) at the Mission House in New York not a hindrance during the reception which will last from 8 to 11 o'clock. The picture of Capt. Sparrow will be unveiled by Miss Fowle, of Peace Institute, and R. N. Simms, Esq., of the Raleigh bar, will accept it on behalf of the chapter. On Wednesday afternoon the Daughters of the Confederacy will have a reception at the Soldiers' Home, on Wednesday evening another will follow in the Agricultural Hall, and Thursday evening the Capt. Sparrow will tender them a reception followed by a dance.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS

A Week of Great Activity Among that Denomination.

This is the week for Baptist associations in North Carolina, and they are now being held from one end of the State to the other preparatory to the State convention which will meet in this city in December. This morning Mr. N. B. Broughton went to Mt. Olive, where he will represent The Biblical Recorder at the Eastern Baptist Association. Mr. J. W. Bailey has gone to Greensboro to speak before Mt. Zion Association. Mr. J. C. Cadden and the delegates from the First Baptist Church here have gone to New Hope, where the Central Association meets. Rev. O. L. Stringfield, financial agent of the Baptist Female University, expects to be on the go all this week. He will spend one day at the Eastern Association at Mt. Olive, another at the Union Association at Monroe and wind up at the State Association at Henrietta in Rutherford county. GEN. CARR AT FAYETTEVILLE. General Julian S. Carr passed through the city this morning on his way from Durham to Hope Mills, where he will speak tonight. Tomorrow night he will deliver an address in Fayetteville and will undoubtedly be greeted by a large crowd. General Carr expressed himself as well pleased with the prospects and is delighted with assurances of support that he is receiving in his campaign for the Senate. Elector Wooten, of the First District, is on the canvass in Northampton and Warren counties this week.

DELEGATES ARRIVE

First Convention of Daughters of Confederacy Convenes Tomorrow

CAPT. DENSON TO SPEAK

Portrait of Capt. Sparrow Unveiled by Miss Fowle and Accepted by Mr. Simms

The first State convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy of North Carolina will meet in the new hall in the Agricultural Building on North Salisbury street tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. This will be a strictly business session. The Pettigrew chapter and the ladies generally of Raleigh are showing the deepest interest in the convention, and are working hard to make it a success. The reception committee, composed of Mrs. J. D. Bonshall, Mrs. Charles McKinnon, Mrs. Herbert Jackson, Mrs. E. A. Oils, Mrs. Herbert Jackson, Mrs. Garland Jones, Mrs. S. F. Telfair, Miss Daisy Denson and Miss Fannie McPeckers, were at the depot to welcome the delegates as they came in and send them to the homes previously assigned. Among those who have arrived are the following: Mrs. W. H. Denson, and Mrs. A. E. Johnson, of Charlotte, with Mrs. Charles F. Johnson. Mrs. James, of Wilmington, with Mrs. C. B. Denson. Miss Meares, of Wilmington, and Miss Alexander, of Charlotte, with Miss Mary Johnson, on Hillsboro Street. Mrs. London, of Hillsboro, with Mrs. Joseph Daniels. Miss Pinkton, of Wakefield, with Mrs. Ed. Chambers Smith. Mrs. Dalton, of Greensboro, with Mrs. B. H. Lewis. Mrs. F. A. Woodard, of Wilson, with Mrs. Standaish. Mrs. Broadnax with Mrs. A. B. Andrews. DAVIS MONUMENT. At the afternoon session of the convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy on Wednesday at 4 p. m. the subject of the Jefferson Davis monument will be taken up and there will be an interesting program on that occasion. This is the only session of the convention that will be open to the public, and all who are interested are cordially invited to attend. Col. Kenna, in the introductory remarks, and Capt. Denson in the address of the afternoon will give, as they always do, much pleasure to those who are fortunate enough to hear them. There will be appropriate songs, and a violin solo by one of Raleigh's favorite musicians. Following is the program: Introductory remarks by Col. T. S. Kenna. Violin Solo. Miss Mary Johnson. Address. By Capt. C. B. Denson. Reading by Miss Lucy Allen Jones. Soliloquy State chairman's report and reports of various chapters. Solo by Miss Eliza Inshes. Chorus "Old North State." SPARROW CHAPTER. A portrait of the valiant Capt. Sparrow has been donated to the Pettigrew chapter by two young ladies and the reception of this picture will prove a pleasing exercise Wednesday evening. The exposure will take place during the reception which will last from 8 to 11 o'clock. The picture of Capt. Sparrow will be unveiled by Miss Fowle, of Peace Institute, and R. N. Simms, Esq., of the Raleigh bar, will accept it on behalf of the chapter. On Wednesday afternoon the Daughters of the Confederacy will have a reception at the Soldiers' Home, on Wednesday evening another will follow in the Agricultural Hall, and Thursday evening the Capt. Sparrow will tender them a reception followed by a dance.

YELLOW FEVER FUND.

By Telegraph to The Times. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 9.—At a meeting of the Jacksonville Auxiliary Sanitary Association, having control of the balance of yellow fever fund, left over since the epidemic of 1898, now amounting to \$24,000, it was voted not to send any of it to Galveston, as it is claimed it is a sacred fund for yellow fever sufferers alone. Public opinion is strong against officials of the association, and urge that \$5,000 be sent.

CALLED TO ROCKY MOUNT.

Rev. W. X. Johnson, a prominent young Baptist minister who recently claimed a fair daughter of Wake county, Miss. Ceppegue, of Wakefield, for a bride, has received a call to the Baptist church at Rocky Mount, and has accepted. Mr. Johnson spent a day in Raleigh and said that he regretted to leave his present field at Weldon, where the people have been exceptionally kind. Mr. Johnson is a native of Sampson county.

FAIR OPENING POSTPONED.

A telegram was received here today announcing that the opening of the Central Carolina Fair, which was to have opened in Greensboro this morning, has been postponed until tomorrow on account of the rain. The showers came at a most inopportune time for the people of Greensboro who had made extensive preparations for a great time this week. The fair will open tomorrow, Tuesday, however, rain or shine.

MISS MABEL FOOTE DEAD.

One of the Loveliest Young Women in the State Passes Away.

A telegram was received here this morning conveying the sad news of the death of Miss Mabel Foote. She died at the home of her mother, Mrs. H. A. Foote, at Wilson, at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Miss Foote was a native of Warrenton, and was about nineteen years old. She was a frequent visitor to Raleigh, and the news of her death will bring sorrow to many who know and loved her. She was one of the most attractive and popular young ladies in the State, and added to beauty, the graces of a rare womanhood. She made friends of all who knew her, and wherever she went left the impress of her winning personality. For the past year she had been in very bad health, and had suffered greatly. Her health has declined for some months, and the end was not entirely unexpected, though her friends here did not know her condition was critical. Miss Mabel was the daughter of the late Mr. Henry A. Foote, a leading lawyer and editor of Warrenton, and was the niece of Mrs. J. A. Egerton, of this city.

FIRST FROST

Jack on Edge of Cotton Belt. Clear Tomorrow.

The forecast of the Weather Bureau for Raleigh and vicinity says: Rain, continued tonight and Wednesday; clearing Wednesday evening. The area of high barometer occupies the central Mississippi and Ohio valleys and Lake region, and is apparently moving southward toward Texas. This will give the storm which is now over Florida opportunity to move up the Atlantic coast, and will probably continue the rainy period for another day. The temperature has fallen considerably throughout the South, and light frost is reported from the northern edge of the cotton belt. Frost also occurred at Dodge City, St. Louis, and Chicago, but the temperature is now rising in the northwest.

STREET CAR STRIKE

200 Men in Terre Haute Want Shorter Hours, Higher Wages

By Telegraph to The Times. TERRE HAUTE, IND., Oct. 9.—Two hundred workmen, conductors, engineers and firemen, employed by the Terre Haute Company, struck this morning for shorter hours and higher wages. An electric car in the city is moving and every newspaper office and every store in the city supplied with electricity from the company is tied up.

KANSAS CITY POLITICS.

By Telegraph to The Times. KANSAS CITY, Oct. 9.—The exciting fight in the Democratic party between the police machine and the anti-police party will be decided today. The primary elections are being held, and a complete revolution of voters is required; every person desiring to vote being compelled to take out new registration papers. Feeling runs high, and a sharp fight between Buckley and Cowherd is on, the latter's renomination for Congress being at risk. The anti-police men are to a man working again hard.

PAPER MILL TO START.

By Telegraph to The Times. MADISON, ME., Oct. 9.—The owners of the big paper mill which is ready to open here, claim to have already booked orders ahead for practically all their product. It will be controlled by the Great Northern Paper Company which has a capital of \$2,000,000. The output of newspaper will be at first about 200 tons daily, but later will be increased to 250 tons a day.

TURKEY'S CENSUS.

By Telegraph to The Times. NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Through analyses from Constantinople the result of the census of Turkey which Turkey has been taking becomes known. It gives the total number of Mohammedans in the world as 195,000,000.

LOUISBURG FAIR.

The Street Fair and Carnival is in progress at Louisville this week, and the hospitable people of that town have thrown wide their doors and extended a cordial welcome to the fair visitors from all over the State. Dr. A. B. Hawkins, Mrs. William Bailey and Mr. Edward Baker were among those who went to attend this morning.

MR. HARRIS BOUND OVER.

United States Commissioner John Nichols has bound over to the next Federal court Mr. Jack Harris, of near Wake Forest, a prominent citizen of this county, for allowing an illicit distillery on his lands with his knowledge.

"WINDWARD" HEARD FROM.

By Telegraph to The Times. NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The Secretary of the Peary Arctic Club received this morning a letter from Captain Samuel W. Bartlett, of the Peary steamer "Windward," dated Godhavn, Greenland, August 10th, reporting the arrival of the expedition at that point on that day. All were well, nearly half of the distance from Sydney having been made under canvas, and the letter said Bartlett would leave at once for Cape York.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

Raleigh Chamber of Commerce Holds Its Annual Meeting Tonight.

SECY ALLEN'S REPORT.

The Methodist Orphanage, the Melrose Mill and the Auditorium. Big Hotel Next.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Mayor's office at eight o'clock this evening. At this meeting the new officers will be elected. The retiring officers will submit their annual reports, which are of more than usual interest. Several questions of interest are to come up for discussion and settlement, and a full attendance is expected. Secretary George Allen said to The Times this morning the reports that will be made this evening showing the officers and members have not been idle the past twelve months. His report shows that several matters have had their attention during the year. The annual reports will show the collection and payment of the money subscribed for the purchase of property for the Methodist Orphanage, a matter of great interest to the city and to the State. The organization of the Melrose Knitting Mill, which has been completed, and will soon be in operation, making underwear for men, and giving employment to a large number of operatives. The organization of the Auditorium Company, which has been incorporated, and whose directors are at work arranging for the early completion of a building that will accommodate large assemblies with comfort. This latter enterprise has far more difficult to arrange than both of the others combined and has required a large amount of work by the Chamber. The terms of office expire at the meeting, and new officers will be elected. A full meeting of the members will no doubt be secured. The Chamber has much work before them, and has already given notice at a late meeting that the work for the coming year will be the organization of a hotel company that will prepare to make Raleigh the stopping place for the Northern travel between New England and Florida. This is really the big job of the year. Mr. W. N. Jones, the retiring president, and Mr. George Allen, the faithful and energetic secretary, have made records of which they may well be proud. The Chamber of Commerce has only a hundred members, and yet during the past year it has accomplished more than any other similar body in the State. This is in a large measure due to the untiring efforts of its able officers, to whom Raleigh owes a debt of gratitude.

WILL BE GAY WEEK

Many Attractions Promised for the Coming Fair.

Fair week will be a gay one for Raleigh. In many directions its friends and patrons have given notice of their coming. The trials of speed last year lowered the time of the track beyond anything in its history heretofore, and there are assurances that the record will be again broken. It would be especially noted that race No. 7 will include two races at the same time; it has been so modified that it will be run in 2:15 for trotting and 2:18 for pacing, best three in five, for a purse of three hundred dollars. Entries to close October 15th at 11 p. m. The Art Department will be something to remember this year. One of the entries yesterday was that of the accomplished artist, Miss Sue W. Hall, of Oxford, who will send tapestries, portraits and other paintings, occupying 250 square feet of space. It is especially gratifying to note the work of the Fair, in bringing the genius of our own people to public knowledge and appreciation.

"PRIVATE JOHN ALLEN."

and Richard's signature in Charles Allen, which appears in the notice of the attraction, at his request on Thursday last, are two fine caricatures of the artist, and are the most of the oldest of old friends. The two men mentioned are those of John Allen himself and the wicked woman of the play, "Bessie Stokes." To Mr. Mansford belongs the credit for exploiting in this production a politician, and an adventurer, who, while being in accord with the fact, are out of traditional lines. John Allen is not the stum-stocking, chin-stroking, chesty smart character that always comes to mind, but a mixture of the highest moral qualities and intellectual gifts. He is active in politics because he believes in the righteousness of the local reforms he advocates, and puts his love of party next to his love of country and of home.

INVITATIONS ISSUED.

Invitations have been issued as follows: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Douglas, request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Daisy, to Mr. William Hayes, Wednesday, October seventeenth, nineteen hundred, at home, 211 North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina.