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THE CZAR'S CORONATION.

Most Gorgeous Pageant of the Nineteenth Century. NICHOLAS II. ENTERS MOSCOW.

Dazzling Scenes of Splendor in Russia's Ancient Capital—How the Present Emperor's Father Was Crowned in 1853—Placing the Crown Himself Upon His Head—A \$200,000 Coronation Robe.

Moscow, May 23.—Amid the thundering of batteries, the ringing of a thousand bells and the lusty cheers of a vast multitude of Russia's loyal subjects, fair and noble visitors from all parts of the world, the great White Tsar and his Czarina, on Thursday, made their official entry into Moscow.

Never in the history of Nations has there been a more gorgeous scene or a more representative assemblage of peoples.

The Imperial Procession. The imperial procession was headed by a squad of mounted gendarmes, led by a Master of Police. After the police came a portion of the Emperor's body guard and a squadron of Cossacks of the Guard.

Car and Czarina Appear. Then, mounted on a superbly caparisoned and full bred charger, appeared the great White Tsar, ruler of all the Russias, and looking every inch the Imperial autocrat.

Following came the Grand Dukes Paul Alexandrovich, Constantine Constantinovich and George Mikhailovitch and Duke Michael Georgievitch of Mecklenburg-Strelitz.

Her Imperial Majesty the Czarina Maria Feodorovna and her daughter the Grand Duchess Olga Alexandrovna were next in the magnificent procession.

Within the Cathedral the scene is superb. Looking aloft the great ceiling dome, one sees to rise on four massive pillars, large as the towers without and powerful as the columns of the temple of Karnak.

How the Czar Crowns Himself. The Czar and Czarina take their places at the coronation banquet. Not at tables with the princes and princesses who form the rosy company, but upon thrones, before which stands a table, and upon this the food for the royal party is placed.

A world-famous artist designed the dress, a world-famous milliner constructed it and a world-famous jeweler directed its adornment.

The skirt is covered with a decoration of pearls and tiny diamonds, secured by a row of golden wires arranged to form a conventional design.

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The First Rebel Flag. J. C. Biotta has received from New York what is perhaps the first Confederate flag made in Mississippi.

A Twenty Years' Record. A New Orleans exchange, says the Norfolk Virginian, notes that while the South has gained 34 per cent in population during the last 20 years the enrollment of its school attendance has increased 130 per cent.

THE FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS. A Synopsis of the Proceedings of Both Houses.

THE SENATE. SATURDAY. The resolution offered in the Senate Friday by Mr. Morgan, (Dem.) of Alabama in relation to the sentence of American citizens captured on the Competitor in Cuban waters, was taken up and Mr. Morgan addressed the Senate thereon.

THE HOUSE. WEDNESDAY. The fortification bill was reported to the Senate Monday, by Mr. Perkins. The estimate for 1897 amounts to \$2,945,155. The House bill carried \$5,445,837, to which the Senate added \$4,915,051, making the total reported to the Senate \$10,360,888.

WEDNESDAY. Wednesday the Senate passed Senator Butler's bill for a public building at Durham. The Senate gave its attention Wednesday to the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was reported from the appropriations committee, appropriated \$1,000,000 million dollars, of which one-half comes from the United States treasury and the other half from taxes collected by the District commission.

THURSDAY. Thursday in the Senate Senator Pritchard introduced a bill to increase the pensions of James H. Kile, also John McGrath also one pensioning Colonel W. A. Keane. He presented the petition of members of the sixth district life-saving service asking to be paid monthly. Senator Butler proposed an amendment to the Keane bill, refunding \$137 and duties to S. R. Foye.

FRIDAY. An important and spirited debate took place in the Senate Friday on the bill introduced several months ago by Mr. Butler, of North Carolina, prohibiting the issue of government bonds without the consent of Congress.

THURSDAY. While Monday was suspension day in the House the greater part of the session was expended in the passage of thirty-five pension bills reported from Friday night's session and to passage of bill under many names consent, including the following: Granting a site to the city of Biloxi, Miss. for a charity hospital, incorporating the Society of Colonized Dames originating and the loan of condemned cannon to Grand Army posts; to compel the attendance of witnesses before local officers.

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NORTH STATE NEWS.

COL. WILLIAM JOHNSTON DEAD. One of Charlotte's Oldest and Most Prominent Citizens.

Col. William Johnston, one of Charlotte's oldest residents and most prominent citizens, died at his residence in that city Wednesday. He was in his seventy-ninth year.

He was born in Lincoln county seventy-nine years ago. He was a son of Robert Johnston, Sr., and the grandson of Col. James Johnston, a Revolutionary patriot.

He then abandoned the law and turned his attention to the wider field of railroad operation. He was notably successful from the very start, and the road in his hands prospered.

Governor Ellis in 1861 appointed him to the position of Commissary General of the State, to accept which he resigned his seat in the Secession convention.

At the time of his death his estate was estimated at \$250,000.

ASSIGNMENT OF FIELDS. The following assignment of fields were made to bishops Wednesday by the A. M. E. Conference in session at Wilmington, N. C.:

First district, assigned to Bishop Grant, comprises conferences of Philadelphia, New York, New Jersey, Nova Scotia and Bermuda.

Second—Bishop Handy, of Baltimore; Virginia, North Carolina, West North Carolina, Hayti and San Domingo.

Third—Bishop Lee; Ohio, North Ohio, Pittsburg, Demarara, Ontario, St. Thomas.

Fourth—Bishop Arnett; Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan.

Fifth—Bishop Tanner; Missouri, North Missouri, Kansas, Colorado.

Sixth—Bishop Turner; Georgia, North Georgia, Macon, Alabama, North Alabama, Central Alabama.

Seventh—Bishop Embry, South Carolina, Columbia, North, East South Carolina, Florida, East Florida, Bahama Islands.

Eighth—Bishop Derrick, Mississippi, North Mississippi, Central Mississippi, Arkansas, North Arkansas, South Arkansas.

Ninth—Bishop Salter, Kentucky, West Kentucky, Tennessee, West Tennessee.

Tenth—Bishop Armstrong, Texas, West Texas, Northeast Texas, Central Texas, Louisiana, North Louisiana.

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Castoria is the best remedy for children of which I am acquainted. I hope the day is not far distant when mothers will consider the real interest of their children, and use Castoria instead of the various quack nostrums which are destroying their loved ones.

Castoria is so well adapted to children that I recommend it as superior to any prescription known to me.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE. In Effect April 12th, 1896. NORTH BOUND.

Table with columns: Station, Time, and Direction. Includes stations like Wilmington, Fayetteville, and Greensboro.

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Abel's Sister Retired. By the confirmation of Frank W. Joplin, nominated nine months ago to be postmaster at Elizabethtown, Ky., the sister of the late President Abraham Lincoln retired from office.

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