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BOSTON BRIDGE DISASTER.

Cream of the Happenings Through-
out the Old North State.

THE STATE ALLIANCE OFFICERS.

Returns of Taxable Values—Machines
for Transplanting Strawberries—The
State Fair.

The grand jury has returned a true bill for murder against J. A. Hand and Bird Shepherd, who are charged with having caused the wreck at Boston's bridge, near Statesville, Aug. 27, 1891. Twenty-two persons were killed in that wreck and the bill of indictment charges Hand and Shepherd with the murder of Hugh K. Leinster, of Statesville, one of the victims of the wreck. Both are white men, and both are now serving terms in the penitentiary. Hand was sent to the penitentiary from Iredell in 1893 for burglary, and Shepherd in 1894 for manslaughter. Hand was arrested from Alexander county in the same year or soon thereafter. We haven't learned when their terms expire, but whenever they are discharged from the penitentiary they will be brought to Iredell to be tried for the offense with which they are charged. It will be recalled that the railroad company always maintained that the horrible disaster at Boston's bridge was due to the work of train wreckers, and had one or more persons arrested for having caused the wreck. They were never able to make out a case, however, and the general public never accepted their theory of the wreck. We do not know the nature of the evidence against Hand and Shepherd and consequently are unable to give an opinion of it, but it was of sufficient importance to cause the grand jury to find a bill, and this in itself makes the case one of importance.—Statesville Landmark.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote adopted by the State Alliance at Hillsboro:

Whereas, The State Alliance did, before its consummation, most earnestly protest against the lease of the North Carolina Railroad to the Southern Railway Company for ninety-nine years, and whereas the preservation of our liberties demands the recognition of the sovereignty of the States of this Republic, on the part of the Federal judiciary, therefore be it

Resolved, first, That we protest against interference in State affairs on the part of the Federal judiciary.

Resolved, second, That we consider the attempted ousting of the Governor of North Carolina from the performance of his official duty as a high-handed and unconstitutional usurpation of his body.

Resolved, third, That we consider the attempted ousting of Governor Russell from the noble stand he has taken on the side of the people, as a contempt of the corporate power and corruption of the State.

Officers elected for the ensuing year by the State Alliance at its meeting at Hillsboro are as follows: President, J. W. Graham, Warrenton; Vice-President, Alex. Graham, of Charlotte; Secretary, W. E. Upchurch, of Hillsboro; Treasurer, P. J. Hoover, of Wilson; Chaplain, Dr. D. H. Moore, of Hillsboro; Executive Committee, J. W. Denmark, chairman; M. F. Hileman, Concord; W. B. Fleming, Warren county; Dr. J. B. Alexander, Charlotte; and K. J. Oldham, of Orange. There were fifty-five counties represented, and 100 or more officers and delegates present. The largest attendance it has since 1892. It was decided to hold a county and shoe factory as a fair superintendents can be met by the Farmers' Alliance set to meet the operating factory.

A Davie county farmer, named D. B. Boger, dropped dead at his home last week. An investigation proves that he had either taken, or had been given strychnine. His stomach was carried to Raleigh by a physician for analysis. Domestic trouble is thought to have caused the rash act. Boger attempted to hang himself a few years ago. He had the rope around his neck, and was swinging, when his father came up and cut him down just in time to save his life.

Messrs. G. W. Westbrook and W. A. Wright, farmers, near Wilmington, have a machine for transplanting strawberries, which waters and fertilizes the plants as it puts them down. It is operated by animal power and will plant from three to six acres of ground per day, according to the condition of the land.

Official returns of taxable values from several counties, as far received show an increase of \$1,124,345 over last year. Rockingham leads in increase with \$485,101, Cabarrus showing \$400,000, Rowan, \$346,000, Gaston \$316,000, while as to decrease, Person shows \$230,000, Madison \$196,000, Granville \$178,000.

The State Fair in October is to be made a big success. This is a lucky year. There will be a fine exhibit and large attendance, for the people are all in the right humor to go to fairs and such gatherings.

The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway pays Fireman John McCullough \$2,000 as a compromise for injuries received in a remarkable manner. He is under an engine cleaning out a fire when another engine struck his and he was dragged over hot coals. He died under the new fellow-servant act \$5,000.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN

Of North Carolina for Week Ending August 16, 1897.

The week ending Monday, August 16, was warm and very dry. Some local showers occurred, especially in the extreme west portion of the State, and heavy dews furnished some moisture. The drought has been injurious to nearly all crops, which, without rain soon, are in danger of being out short. There has been considerable shedding in cotton and some rust is reported, but the bulk of the crop is still very fine. Cotton is opening in all of the southern counties. Late corn needs rain badly. In a few counties where the drought is most severe, crops are drying up.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.—The conditions in this district have been very diversified. In some counties, as Currituck, Gates, Craven, Nash and others, sufficient rain occurred, generally on the 10th, to keep crops in flourishing condition; but over the greater portion of the district the week was very dry, and unfavorable for all crops. Crops seem to be failing on account of drought most rapidly in some of the northern counties, Halifax, Northampton, Edgecombe, as well as some central and southern ones. Cotton needs rain, but is holding a very fairly well. Shedding of bolls is reported to be pretty bad in some counties, with rust in several. It is beginning to open in the south. Bean too dry for late corn. Fodder piling is beginning almost almost everywhere. Tobacco cures are still going well, but are nearly over. Cabbage, field peas and turnips need rain. Rice has been very dry.

WESTERN DISTRICT.—The conditions during the past week have generally been very satisfactory in this district. It is getting very dry and rain is needed in the eastern portion, but in the west it is doing very well, and promises more than an average crop. Cotton blooming up to the top and belling well. Tobacco is good. Sweet potatoes and late Irish potatoes, doing well, except in extreme west, where some rotting is reported on account of too much moisture. Late cabbages are fine, melons large and abundant. Bulk of the turnip crop still to be planted. Some hay has been saved this week.

AFRAID OF NOTHING.

Mexico's Wild Peccary, Runs from Nothing Under the Sun.

The most vicious and fearless of the brute creation is the peccary or wild hog of Mexico. This animal seems utterly devoid of the emotion of fear. I have never seen it turn a hair's breadth out of its path for any living thing, says a writer. Man is its special prey. It displays an intelligence in fighting the human stranger at variance with its apparently complete lack of any mental attributes, save the very lowest order of instinct. They are rarely found singly, but go in droves of from a hundred to thousands. Their ability to scent men is particularly marked. I have known a drove of them to scent a man a mile off and strike as straight for him as the arrows fly. There is no use to try to frighten them with guns. The cannonading of a full battery would have no more effect on them than the popping of a fire cracker. The only thing to do when they get after you is to run away from them as fast as a horse can carry you. And then there is no certainty that they won't catch you. They are nearly as swift as a horse, and their endurance is as great as their viciousness.

A friend of mine encountered a drove of them in a wild part of Mexico a few years ago, and his escape was miraculous. He very foolishly shot and wounded a number of them. Then he took refuge in a tree. The peccaries kept him in the tree all that day and during the night. They circled around the tree, grunting and squealing their delight at the prospect of a feast. He soon exhausted his ammunition, and brought down a peccary at each fire. But this had no terrors for the beasts. Along toward morning the brutes began to eat the ones he had killed, and when they thus satisfied the cravings of their stomachs they formed in line and trotted off. If they had not had some of their own number to devour, they would have guarded that tree until my friend, through sheer exhaustion, dropped from his perch and allowed them to make a meal of him. The wild cats and tigers that infest the Mexican wilds, see from the peccaries with instinctive fear, and even rattlesnakes keep out of their path.

River Steamer Blows Up.
News has just been received to the effect that the steamer Fritz had blown up fifteen miles south of Cairo, Ill., and that also colored men and a white deck hand have been killed. Several others are reported injured. The steamer was owned by Captain R. B. Bradley, of Cairo.

Boy Kills Baby Accidently.
Morris Myler, eight years old, found a revolver at home at Dayton, Ohio, and while trying the weapon shot and killed Rudolph Frick, three years old. He dragged the body into the yard and went to bed, but he is now in jail.

SPAIN'S ASSASSIN TO DIE.

Angiolillo, Premier Canovas's Murderer, Awarded a Death Sentence.

EXECUTION BY THE GARROTE.

The Trial Was Summary—Government Ordered It Hastened—The Assassin Speaks in His Own Defense—Passion For Vengeance Led Him to Commit the Crime—Horrified by the Scaffold.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—Michele Angiolillo, the Anarchist assassin of Premier Canovas del Castillo, who was tried by court martial at Vergara, was found guilty and was sentenced to death. Angiolillo will be garroted within the prison.

About 200 persons were present at the trial. The vicinity of the prison was almost deserted, the public being a greatly inferior. In view of the certainty that the death penalty would follow the court martial, Angiolillo, heavily manacled, sat between two gendarmes and immediately in front of his judges. On a table near by lay his revolver and other material evidence of the crime.

The President of the court read the declaration of the jury, after which the written statement of the prisoner was read by the clerk of the court. Angiolillo, in the course of the statement, said that he left Paris in October, 1895, and went to Barcelona and Barcelona, where he took the name of Jose Santos. At first he had no thought of becoming an Anarchist, but while at Barcelona he began to be interested in Anarchist doctrines.

When the execution took place at Barcelona, on May 3, of five of the Anarchists convicted of participation in the bomb outrage at the feast of Corpus Christi, he conceived the idea of assassinating Canovas. Without seeking an accomplice he carried out the execution.

Angiolillo went on to say that the passion for vengeance led him to commit the crime. As he was unacquainted with the manufacture of explosives, he used the revolver. The Public Prosecutor described the crime as "premeditated murder," and asked the court to impose the death penalty.

Angiolillo persisted in speaking of politics and of the wars in Cuba and the Philippines. The President said: "All that has nothing to do with your crime." Angiolillo replied: "I must justify myself." The President retorted: "That is no justification. Moreover, you can convince nobody in this way."

Angiolillo began again, but the President declared the trial ended, and ordered the court room cleared. He announced the sentence of the court, and then announced the sentence of the court, and then announced the sentence of the court.

CHARLES ROSS' CROSS CASE DUPLICATED.

Little known case of Albany, N. Y., Street.

His Father's Name—The Kidnap. The Boy's Name—The Kidnap. The Boy's Name—The Kidnap.

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New Mineral Substance.
Manjak is a new mineral substance found in the Island of Barbadoes, which is used as an intensifier of the illuminating power of coal gas. Its importance to the electrician, however, lies in the fact that it possesses many of the properties of an ideal insulator for electric wires. It is of a black color, and has a high luster and a bright, conchoidal fracture, resembling in appearance newly broken pitch. It is found very near and sometimes upon the surface of the ground in seams varying from one foot to two feet in thickness, running usually at an angle of about forty-five degrees, and in close proximity to rocks. It is supposed to have been formed by the drying up and consolidation of petroleum oil, which is found in abundance in the same locality and is often seen oozing out of the ground or floating down the streams. In composition it is not unlike Trinidad pitch, the Utah "silicite" and the Mexican "serpentine." The analysis of the best quality manjak is stated to be: moisture, 2.66; volatile organic matter, 70.85; non-volatile organic matter, 18.97; mineral matter, 0.18.

A member of the Arkansas Legislature was fined \$100 and sentenced to one month in jail the other day for "shooting at and missing an editor." It is a serious offense in that State, making such an opportunity.

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Language Lesson
"Mamma, if I had a hat
this one it's right to say
I had had, isn't it?"
"Certainly, Johnny."
"And if that hat once
and I had it mended I
had had a hole in it, it
would be just the same."
"Yes, there would."
"Then I'd be
that the hat
in it, would
"Johnnie,
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