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NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Interesting Reading Matter of Local and National Affairs, in Condensed Form.

Robert W. Doew, collector of customs at Eagle Pass, Tex., has been removed from office by President Taft on charges the nature of which customs officials decline to divulge. James A. Harbin has been appointed to succeed him.

The street railway company of Philadelphia is experimenting with women conductors on pay-as-you-enter cars. On these cars the conductor is merely a cashier, she sits behind a desk, receives fares, makes change and records the trips.

Concord N. C. is having trouble with scarlet fever and diphtheria. One case of scarlet fever and a case of diphtheria were reported today. The situation still remains serious and there is little indication that the diseases are being checked. Concord Times.

In an attempt to quiet a disturbance that Americanized Mexicans and their unnaturalized country men engaged in at the celebration of Mexico's independence day, at Phoenix, Ariz., Monday, the chief of Police and two Policemen were killed by Mexicans.

New York, Sept. 17 Mayor Gaynor was served today with a summons in a \$100,000 libel suit brought against him by Alderman Curran, chairman of the aldermanic committee investigating graft in the New York police department. Curran alleges that the mayor made remarks derogatory to his character in connection with investigation.

Morehead and Gilmer townships, which embrace the city of Greensboro, have voted \$200,000 in bonds as the first movement in advancing a projected line of railway to run from Lynchburg, Va., through this State and to the South Atlantic Coast. The bonds carry a provision that if the road is not built or Greensboro is not given a connection with the Seaboard Air Line or Norfolk & Southern within three years, they shall be turned back to the respective townships.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 16 El Tigre, one of the richest mining camps in northern Mexico, was retaken by federals at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon after having been in the hands of the rebel band of Inez Salazar for two days. The rebels are reported to have taken with them \$20,000 worth of gold and silver bullion. News of the relief of El Tigre was received here with much rejoicing. There has been disquieting rumors all day of mistreatment of Americans by rebels.

Chief Forester Graves is on his way to San Francisco to make final arrangements under which a California lumber company will purchase 800 million feet of timber on the Sierra National Forest. The timber has already been awarded, after public advertisement, to the highest bidder, but under the terms of the advertisement the final signing of the contract will not take place until the company has been shown on the ground what timber the Government will reserve from cutting in order to preserve good forest conditions and provide for re-
production.

Agricultural Exhibit Car to Visit Catawba County Fair.

Arrangements have been made with F. S. Puckett, of Raleigh, Assistant Director of the State Test Farms, to bring the State Test Farm Exhibit to the Catawba Street Fair at Hickory. The exhibit this year is installed in a passenger coach. The car will be on the side track near Passenger Depot and will remain open free to visitors.

The State Test Farm Exhibit this year will consist of the leading varieties of corn on the stalk, showing the height of ears, size and shape of ears, and cross sections shape of grain and size of cob, also museum jars graphically representing the differences between the yields of the different varieties for the number of years they have been tested. The different varieties of wheat, oats and cotton are shown in a similar way. Fertilizer experiments have been carried on with these crops, the results of which will be shown graphically in museum jars.

Other interesting features of the exhibit will be representative soil types the State shown in its natural form to a depth of 24 inches, with maps showing location of the different types; also the results of fertilizer tests that have been made on these soils.

The leading varieties of Irish potatoes, apples and peaches will be shown in an attractive way.

A complete tobacco exhibit is also with the car, showing the different grades of tobacco from the distinct tobacco belts of the State.

A portion of the exhibit that will be of special interest to the women is the canned goods exhibit, showing fruits and vegetables canned by the State Department of Agriculture.

Instructive charts, enlarged photographs and leguminous plants will be on exhibition also.

The exhibit is instructive, educational and interesting, and something worth going to the fair to see.

New York, Sept. 17 The special meeting of the Republican national committee called to take action in the case of members who are suspected of Roosevelt leanings will be held here tomorrow. Chairman Hilles who issued the call declined to give the names or number of the national committeemen against whom charges of disloyalty to the Republican ticket have been made, but other officials at National headquarters said that six men have been labelled "suspects." These men will be called upon either to declare themselves for Taft and Sherman or resign. In case they do neither they will be summarily expelled, according to Mr. Hilles, and the committee will elect Taft men in their places.

Five Hundred Soldiers Burned.

Chicago, Sept. 17 Five hundred Chinese soldiers were burned to death today according to a Peking despatch to the Chicago Daily News in a forest fire started by a large force of Mongols retreating from the Chinese. General Fsih and Tsao proceeding northward from Tonanfu with 5,000 men, engaged a force of Mongols at Chiatsetuan. The Mongols were defeated and fled northward with the Chinese in pursuit. In a forest near Tab-chiacht they started a fire to maintain their stand. The Chinese troops were unable to escape and perished.

Raise More Cattle.

(Charlotte Chronicle.)

Diversified farming is the secret of agricultural success. The really successful farmer will in addition look to his poultry yard and his pasture land for practical results. Here in the South there are thousands of acres of good land that could be profitably used in raising beef cattle. This would add to the wealth of the section in both the increased revenue to the farmer and also in building up the soil. Here in the South cattle can be pastured from eight to ten months in the year and throughout the feeding period an abundance of good feed can be had at low cost.

Recently the Southern Railway Company has issued an interesting booklet devoted to the feeding and management of beef cattle and that company is urging the importance of more attention to the subject.

In reference to the same subject 'The Manufacturers' Record' says: "Stress of circumstances, 25 or 30 years ago, prevented a large portion of the South from the work of overcoming the tremendous inroads upon its supply of livestock resulting from the war. At the close of hostilities and for 15 or 20 years afterward the South devoted much of its agricultural energies to cotton growing as the quickest means of recovery from poverty. It has been a long time recovering from the cotton growing habit, and its gradual return toward diversification has not included the much to be desired attention to livestock raising justified by conditions in the country. The South is not raising as much live-stock per capita as it raised ten years ago. However, the re-establishment of packing houses at a number of points has been a direct encouragement to stock raising, and this movement may be expected to be furthered by such activities as those of the Southern Railway's livestock department."

13 Killed, 50 Injured.

Liverpool, Sept. 17 Thirteen persons were killed and 50 injured by the derailment tonight of the express from Chester to Liverpool at Ditton Junction, eight miles from Liverpool. The train had pressed over the long bridge spanning the Mersey and was running down the incline leading to the junction when, at the cross-over points the engine jumped rails and crashed into the buttress of a bridge spanning the line. The coupling of the car next to the engine parted and the train of nine cars sped on to the station. The leading cars crashed into the platform with terrific force and were wrecked. One car was overturned and caught fire and was soon consumed. Several bodies in this car were cremated. Some of the injured were rescued from windows.

The engine driver was crushed to death and the fireman had both legs broken. He was pinned under the locomotive for two hours.

At last Paris has gotten ashamed of itself and has designed a Madonna gown. It is a "fit" time for Paris to let "loose" this style.

Many a man wants to paddle his own canoe by proxy.

The hero finds it mighty hard work to stay on the job.

CROP MEDITATIONS.

Some Estimates Showing How we May Expect to Live During the Coming Year.

(Greensboro News.)

Bread is the staff of life; and the outlook now is that the country will have staff, sufficient to lean upon. The American people will not only be able to supply themselves abundantly, but will have a larger quantity than ever before to sell to their less fortunate fellow beings in other parts of the world, if the estimate made by the United States department of agriculture is even approximately correct.

According to the forecast based on the condition of the corn crop at present, the country will produce about thirty bushels of corn for each man, woman and child in the country, and the increase over last year's crop being in the neighborhood of the grain per capita will be about five bushels. This will amply supply food for the millions of head of live stock and leave us a good supply for our corn bread mush and other articles of diet which are composed of Indian meal.

But, besides the corn, the country will produce this year, according to the estimate made by the Government, about 300,000,000 bushels of spring wheat, which will be an average of three bushels per capita, an increase of one bushel a head over last year, or a total of 100,000,000 bushels increase. These figures do not include the crop of fall wheat, with the rye, which is also a large crop this year, will swell the supply of bread-stuffs to a very much larger total than there was last year.

Other kinds of provisions will also be bountiful, though some classes will not be so plentiful as last year. This is notably the case with cattle, which, according to recent estimates from the important markets of the country, will be something like 100,000,000 head short of last year's supply. When it is remembered that we have a great many more mouths to feed this year than we had last year, it will be seen that the supply of beef this year will be decidedly scarcer than in 1911. This will be compensated for to some extent, however, by the increased number of hogs and sheep which the estimates show will be produced. These estimates, although not furnished by the government, are accepted as correct, and they show that there will be an increase this year of 200,000 hogs and 300,000 sheep.

The Government report does not give in detail information regarding all the farm products, but in addition to the figures given on corn, wheat and rye, it is shown that there will be about 400,000,000 bushels of Irish potatoes produced this year, which is more than 10,000,000 bushels greater than last year, and exceeds the bumper crop of 1909 by about 90,000,000 bushels.

The cotton crop will be considerably shorter this year than last year, but enough will be raised to meet the normal demand. Other crops are generally good, so Uncle Sam may be said to be a very successful farmer this year.

The Lady Moose.

I have joined the newest party
And my reasoning is clear
It's because I think the emblem,
Is such a perfect deer

Operation Reveals Human Tool Chest.

When physicians operated upon John Martiner at the county hospital in Chicago to learn what had caused "terrible pains in his stomach," they found 19 pocket knives, 17 nails, 5 knife blades, a dozen screws and a silver dollar.

Martiner, who has been known to Chicagoans as "The Human Tool Chest," swallowed the articles on wagers.

"Eating knives and all that stuff never hurt me," said Martiner before the operation, "but sometimes I'd get terrible pains in my stomach."

Physicians pronounced the operation as successful. Martiner is 36 years old and is a laborer.

Pocket knives, screws and other articles removed from Martiner's stomach were mounted on card board by superintendent T. P. Teters of the hospital and placed on exhibition in the institution.

"All the articles were lodged in a corner of the stomach," said the surgeon who operated on Martiner. "An ulcer had formed and the man would have died within a month if he had not been operated upon."

Ten of the knives from Martiner's stomach had bone handles but the bone had been dissolved by the gastric juices. The wooden handled knives were intact.

The silver dollar was swallowed ten years ago and was as bright as if the coin had just come from the mint. The juices of the stomach had kept the silver in a highly polished condition. Some of the knife blades were rusty.

Daring Hold Up Memphis Special

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 17. Two masked bandits held up the "Memphis special" westbound from New York to Memphis on the Southern Railroad near Stevenson, Ala., early today and after rifling registered mail pouches, escaped with their booty. Poses have been formed and are in pursuit of the robbers.

Upon the arrival of the train here today postoffice officials denied that any great amount of valuables were missing, although the mail clerks admit that 34 pieces of registered mail had been stolen and that the loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

The bandits boarded the mail car while the train was standing at the water tank near Stevenson, through a half open door and with the order "All hands up and everybody lie down," compelled Charles Flint, one of the mail clerks, to tie the hands of the three other clerks and then lie down himself.

The hold up man remained in the car for forty miles and left the train at Stevens Gap, escaping through the woods, which are very heavy in that vicinity.

An Englishman says it seems to him that American women dislike to wear clothes. If that blooming British jackass had to pay the dry goods and millinery bills of one of them he would change his mind altogether.

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No man can be perfectly happy without a certain amount of self conceit.

Coffee first was used in Europe at Venice shortly before the end of the sixteenth century.

PRESSING NEED SHOWN.

Health Statistics Should be Published From Every County in The State.

(Greensboro News.)

Under the question: "Where is it healthy?" a recent press service bulletin of the state board of health says the pressing need for a state wide vital statistics law is shown by the many letters received by the state board of health inquiring about the health conditions of various sections of the state. Here is a sample just received: "I am thinking of moving with my family to _____ County, N. C., and wish to know if in so doing there will be much danger from malaria or typhoid. If you can advise me about the health conditions there you will be doing me a great favor."

The department of agriculture has maps showing where certain crops grow best, and others which show where certain soils abound, or where conditions are favorable for certain industries. We have maps showing climatic conditions of the state, such as the rainfall, the average temperature, etc. In fact, we have definite information on almost anything in this state, but who ever saw a map showing health conditions in the state? Who knows in what section of the state people live the longest or die the soonest? Why should we not know in which section of the state there is the least typhoid or consumption or pellagra? Definite information showing up the pest holes of disease would make those sections wake up and clean up in order to keep their health standard up. This same thing works elsewhere, why should it not work here? Give us a statewide vital statistics law so we may know where and what kind of health work to do. It is largely guess work now.

Only a short time ago a visitor to Greensboro who was on a tour of southern states, studying conditions with a view to carrying advice back to a number of northern and eastern people represented by him and who were looking for locations to invest in farm lands, called on the Daily News and one of the first questions asked was for the vital statistics record for the state. He was much surprised when informed that this very important information could not be furnished because it was not kept. This is one point our next legislature should not overlook.

Burglar Proof Glass.

(From Harper's Weekly.)

There is a glass of French invention which is intended to be proof against the ordinary attacks of burglars. So many cases of burglary have been committed by the breaking of show windows and snatching of valuables on exhibition that a special effort has been made to end this particular form of theft.

The French glass is produced by a secret process, but the makers admit that thickness and care in its manufacture are its principal essentials. It is made about three quarters of an inch thick and on test has resisted the blow of a ten-pound iron disk. The same blow would have shattered ordinary plate glass completely.

"Army worms are stopping trains in Alabama." Maybe they don't know the war is over. Toledó Blade.