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TWO FIRES MON-DAY MORNING

The Flames Drove Eight Families From Their Homes Into The Snow.

A destructive conflagration rendering eight families homeless and destroying quantities of household goods, occurred Monday morning shortly after seven o'clock.

The first fire caught in a small house located in Forbes Alley, owned and occupied by Mary Spencer. Old, somewhat dilapidated and therefore highly inflammable, it and its contents were entirely consumed. Two other dwellings, larger, newer and of better construction, adjoining, were destroyed also. One of these was property of the Blount estate, the other of Eiza Sanders, all colored people. The occupants of these houses lost only a portion of their household goods. The loss is estimated at something like \$2,000, with but little insurance.

The department had considerable difficulty in fighting the fire on account of the cold and lack of water, but finally got a stream on from an old well, using the engine for pumping.

About the time this fire was gotten under control another was discovered on Carroll street, two or three blocks away. The department hastened to it, but two houses were consumed and two others badly damaged before the flames could be subdued. They were neat little homes, occupied by renters. One of the largest, which was damaged belonged Nita Sutton; one totally destroyed to the Edward estate, colored, and two others to Miss Sarah Eaton. The loss here was about \$1,500, partially insured. The tenants saved most of their furniture.

Both fires were in sections occupied exclusively by colored people, and there was much excitement and lamentation among them. The fire department was badly handicapped and everybody, for the time became fighters, using snow and water in buckets.

JURY WILL GET CASE TODAY

Argument In Bryan Murder Case Was Begun Yesterday Afternoon. His Fate Will Probably Be Known Tonight.

At the opening of yesterday's session of Superior Court the Baker Bryan murder case, which was begun last Thursday, was resumed. Several witnesses were placed on the stand during the forenoon by both the State and defense and the entire morning session was consumed in hearing their evidence. Before calling a recess all of the testimony had been taken and only the arguments of the counsel and the Judge's charge remained before the case was placed in the hands of the jury.

When court reconvened the arguments were begun. Mr. D. E. Henderson, who is assisting Solicitor Abernathy, had the first speech and he was followed by Judge O. H. Guion. All the arguments will doubtless be concluded by noon today and the Judge will at once charge the jury and place the case in their hands.

All during the days session the court room was crowded to its utmost capacity and it could be seen that much interest was being manifested in the proceedings. There is much speculation as to what the verdict will be. Many think that it will be a first degree verdict while others think that it will be only a second degree verdict and there are a few who stated that their belief is that the jury will acquit the prisoner. The jury will doubtless return a verdict late this afternoon or tonight.

COTTON REVIEW PAST WEEK

Prices Show Continued Advance. Foreign Spot Demand Im-mense. Strong Market.

New York, Feb. 10.—Cotton has lately advanced sharply after a violent reaction early in the week. The raise of Wednesday caught the shorts napping and there came upward turns Thursday and Friday, so that the bears have undoubtedly suffered severe punishment. Heavy covering of short obligations for Southern, local Wall Street and Waldorf-Astoria bears has fanned the flame already started by big buying by spot houses acting on orders from various parts of the country. The West has been buying. Wall Street interests have taken profits to some extent but they are in many cases bullish as to the outlook, the Pell Thomas interests, it is believed, being the leaders in that quarter. Memphis and Texas shorts have covered, it is said, on a big scale. The Liverpool spot sales have much of the time been 2,000 to 15,000 bales, Manchester, according to all accounts is doing an enormous business, partly, apparently because of developed stocks in the countries which it chiefly serves, favored by a raising price for silver which has reached 27 1/2 in London, the highest quotation for seven years. It is not speculation which has put up prices at New York during the past week so much as the various buying by the consumer. Big spot houses have brought in some cases 50,000 bales in a single day.

It has been the bullish merchant versus the bearish speculator and the speculator has lately been routed, and he is now turning to the bull side. The spot markets at the South have been conspicuously strong. On a downward reaction Southern offerings to Liverpool and other big markets seem to decrease. The grades at one time so much depreciated have recently been advancing in some parts of the South at least even more rapidly, it is said, than the higher grades. The demand has been from all parts of Europe as well as from Japan and China. Some of the Southern mills have been tugging freely. Even New England mills have in some cases at least of late, bought on a larger scale. Some cotton goods have advanced. The ginning up to February 1st is said to approximate 15,250,000 bales. The crop movement has been larger. The crops of India and Egypt are said to have been under-estimated. Russia has a large yield. It is argued anything like present prices, a decrease in the acreage, especially at the Southwest, is highly improbable. It is insisted by some who think present prices are not justified in a reason when the crop, they aver, is nearly 16,000,000 bales that a large quantity of cotton is held back at the South and must sooner or later come on the market with depressing results to prices, especially if Europe should stop buying. The trading in futures here has been on an enormous scale, that of Wednesday reaching nearly one million bales, the largest day's business in a year. "Hedge" buying of about 2,000,000 bales this season against sales of European spinners for this season and as far ahead as 1916 is believed to have greatly relieved the South of the burden of a record breaking crop. The outside public is buying. Waldorf-Astoria bears have been controverted to the bull side after a rough experience lately.

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The State and Craven county hookworm dispensaries will be conducted at the following places this week: Jasper, Tuesday and Wednesday the 13th and 14th. Vanceboro, Thursday, Feb. 15th and 22nd. Cove, Friday, Feb. 16th and 23rd. New Bern, Saturday, Feb. 17th, (in grand jury room.) Dover, Tuesday, Feb. 20th. Fort Barnwell, Wednesday Feb. 21st. Be sure and have yourself and family examined at one of the above dispensaries, thereby assist your county to eradicate a disease which is devastating hundreds of our people.

Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight at the Court House at 8:30. The annual report of the President and Secretary will be read and reports will be made by the standing committees.

All members of the Chamber of Commerce are urged to be present. If you are a member and know how New Bern can be benefited get up and tell the members all about it.

If you are not a member join the progressive organization and help "boost" your town.

It will be a live meeting. Be on hand at 8:30 sharp.

Vaudeville at The Athens Mon. Tues., Wed.—Miss Verna M. Sterkx, violin soloist, Nat Barnhardt—(The boy from Georgia) society black-face.

Hot Water Tank Explodes.

The explosion of a hot water tank at the home of Mr. T. F. McCarthy on Pollock street early yesterday morning entirely wrecked the kitchen. The pipes leading into the tank became frozen on the previous night and when the cook built a fire in the range the tank became heated and when the cold water began to run into it the explosion followed. The cook was the only person in the room at the time, but outside of being badly frightened she was not injured.

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ROSS TO PAY PENALTY FEBRUARY 15TH.

Friday, February 16th, between the hours of ten and eleven, the electric chair at the State Penitentiary will claim its eleventh victim in the person of John Ross, colored, for the brutal murder of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, respected citizens of Cleveland county.

SALE A BIG SUCCESS

While we have had a great sale, we still have on hand a big stock of Mens and Boys Clothing and Overcoats, Ladies Coat Suits, Underwear, Shoes, Dress Goods etc., that must not be carried over, so we will close out all of this winter's stock regardless of cost.

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THIEVES ENTER GROCERY STORE

Prepared For Business and Secure Large Quantity of Groceries From Broad St. Grocery Co.

A burglary which bore every trace of having been planned long before it was executed occurred in this city Sunday night or early yesterday morning when the Broad Street Grocery store on Broad street was broken into and ransacked.

The first known of the robbery was yesterday morning when Mr. Podrie, the proprietor of the establishment, came down and opened for the day's business. He noticed that floor was spotted on the floor and that a sack of potatoes had been emptied on the floor. Upon investigating further he found one of the rear windows in the second floor open and a rusty made ladder still leaning against the building. This ladder was brought in the second by the thieves and there is not the least doubt but that they had made plans several days previous to rob the store.

Mr. F. Cris stated in a Journal reporter that he could not definitely say just what had been stolen, but that among other things was cheese and a number of eggs, and that two of the drawers of the cash register had been broken open and a small amount of money had been therefrom. The matter was reported to the police and they began to investigate, but up to the present time no arrests have been made.

GOLDEST WEATHER OF SEASON

Prevailed in This Section Sunday Night and Monday Morning. Snow Still Remains.

Five degrees above zero was the official record of the temperature in this city yesterday morning at an early hour. However, a number of individual thermometers which are claimed to be reliable, touched the zero mark. This is the record for the present season and also for several seasons past.

Combined with the extreme cold was the six inch snow which fell Saturday night. This of course made matters much worse. Particularly with travel. But few horses were taken out during the early part of the day and the few which were taken out the streets were having all that they could do to make any progress. Hundreds of water pipes were frozen and consumers were caused much trouble. Many of these pipes had stood and when they became thawed out there was a job for the plumber. There was a trail of ice far out into both the Home and Trust streets, and along the banks the ice was so thick that skating could be done with safety.


All of the trouble leading into the city was in such a bad condition that travel was almost impossible and an amount of this fact the rural free delivery mail carriers did not go out on their routes, however they will endeavor to do so today. The weather is

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