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# NORTH CAROLINA AFFAIRS

News of Old North State Gathered and Put in Condensed Form. 

#### Interest in Rate Hearing.

A Aspecial from New York City to the Charlotte Observer says: The dispute between the authorities of ery, of North Carolina, who was apthe testimony of several witnesses.

General Counsel Alfred P. Thom. of the Southern Railway Company of Washington, represented his company's interests at the session. The testimony was taken behind closed doors at the office of the Southern Railway in this city.

Counsel representing the North Carolina corporation commission at the day's hearing included former Judge James E. Shepherd, Walter E. Daniels and F. A. Woodward, former Gov. Charles Aycock, of North Carolina, and Speaker E. J. Justice of the State House of Representatives, were also present.

the Southern, who is the son of former President Spencer, was a witness He was questioned at length as to the ment and many minor details, Depositions will be taken in Washington and other cities after the hearings here have concluded.

J. M. Barr, formerly president of the Seaboard Air Line, now a lumber merchant of North Carolina, and who was called as an expert on railway operations, tesified that in his opinion the carrying of local freight in North Carolina costs three times as much to operate as through trains and the local trains were frequently only partly loaded Mr. Barr said that a higher rate was charged by railroads in this State for carrying local freight than for through freight, but he did not believe the difference in price was sufficient to equal the increased cost of lacol traffic.

Mr. Barr said that he did not believe a fair profit from passenger traffic was posible at present in that State and that possibly there was on profit whatever.

It was brought out that passenger traffic within the State was somewhat mixed and that a number of so-called through trains on the Southern Rail way between Washington and Atlanta made stops at towns and way points in the State, so that as a matter of fact it was not possible to calculate with exactness the cost of carrying local passengers on these trains as distinct and apart from through pas-

Following his examination by counsel, Mr. Barr was interrogated by Speaker Justice. "Do you know," said the latter, "that at one time there existed what might be called a gentleman's understanding to the effect that the Seaboard Air Line should refrain from extending its lines until certain North Carolina ternitory under fear of reprisals by the Southern Railway."

"There was no express understanding," Mr. Barr replied.

He was then asked whether he knew that certain business houses in the State had actually been driven out to seek other fields for business because the SouthernRa ilway had built up a monopoly in various parts place her hight on the pages of hisof North Carolina.

The witness said that he did not generations, patriotism and love of know that to be a fact. To other country. questions intended to show the Southern's supremacy in North Carolina Mr. Barr in most instances pleaded of regarding them.

## Tar Heel Brevities.

Prof. Darius Eatman has resigned the chair of pedagogy at Wake Forest College to take a course in that obtained a scholarship there.

Numa W. Sowers, a boy of seventeen, was bound over to court at Salwith criminal intent.

The alliance adopted resolutions Insurance Commissioner James R. countries by solicitation or appropriation of State or department funds for that purpose; favoring State prohigressional district; building farmers' institutes under the county alliances; establishing an agricultural school at Hillsboro; co-operation in securing the substitution of cotton for jute also passed.

## Heroic Women Honored.

Wilmington, Special.-An immense gathering of people attended the elaborate eeremonies in connection with North Carolina and the Federai heroic women of the lower Cape Fear the unveiling of a monument to the Courts over the observance of a 2 during the revolutionary period, the 1-4-cent rate law reached another scene of the patroitic exercises havstage, when former Judge Montgom- ing been the historic Moore's Creek battle ground, in Pender county, near pointed by Judge Pritchard, of the Currie. The weather was ideal and Federal Court, as special master to people came from far and near, intake depositions, sat here and beard cluding a large party from Wilmington which returned on a belated train .

The exercises opened with an icvocation by Rev. A. D. McClure, D D., presentation of the moument was by former Representative E. A. Hawes, of Pender, who paid glowing ed on orders cabled by Mr. Morgan. tribute to the material ancestry of the people of the lower Cape Fear, The acceptance was by President J. F. Moore, of the Moore's Creek Mcmorial Association who spoke elo quently of the lofty patriotism which inspired the people of this section and the State.

The formality of the unveiling was by Miss Lillian Colvin, asisted by Vice President H. B. Spencer, of Miss Katie Bannermann, this being followed by a beautiful decoration of the shaft by 13 young ladies representing the 13 original colonies, di-Southern Railway, its cost and equip- rected by Missess B. B. Lucas and Jennie Hawes. The address of Hen. Charles R. Tillman, Congressman from the third district and always a staunch friend of the Moore's Creek Monument Association, was the feature of the day. He spoke eloquently and most fittingly. After the exercises a delightful pienic dinner was served on the grounds and that every detail of the arrangements was carried out perfectly spoke volumes of praise for the several county committees which had these matters in charge. The exercises were interspersed by the singing of patriotic songs and music by an excellent band, "Dixie," "The Old North State" and "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" having been favorites among the

many selections rendered. The monument is of Winnsbore blue granite surmounted by a statue of imported Italian marble in carved likeness of a beautiful woman posing "Rememberance," the top piece being six feet tall, the whole monument towering to a height of 15 feet, standing on a marble base, five feet seven inches square. Its weight is more than 25,000 pounds and it was erected at a cost of something over \$2,000, being the work of the Wilmington Granite and Marble Works, of this city, Mr. R. D. Tucker, proprietor, as successor to H. A. Tucker & Bro., The inscription on the shaft are as follows:

Front side: "To the honored memory of the heroic women of the Lower Cape Fair during the Aemrican Revolution, 1775-1781."

On the reverse side: "Unswerving in devotion, self-sacrificeing in loyalty to the cause of their country, their works do follow them; and their children rise up and call them blessed."

On fourth side: "Most honored of the names recorded by the Historic Association,

is that of MARY SLOCUMB.

wife of Lieutenant Slocumb, riding alone at night sixty-five miles to succor the wounded on this battle tory, and should awaken in successive

Virtutes majorum filiae conserv-

that he was not in possession of suffi- tion: "This monument was creeted Brooklyn Union Gas Company in returning to the Orient, was also a cient actual facts to testify accurate- by the Moore's Creek Monumental Association in the year 1907."

### State News Items.

As the result of a special ordinance passed some time ago by the aldermer the Southern has made Lexington a study at Columbia University, having flag station for No. 34. The people of the town are pleased with this change.

The Shaw Cotton Mill, of Weldon. was granted a charter, the capital isbury on the charge of seduction with being \$100,000, authorized and \$25,promise of marriage and giving drugs | 000 subscribed by W. T. Shaw, W. A. Pierce and others.

opposing immigration from foreign Young paid into the State Theasury yesterday \$37,944 representing the recipts of the department for July. bition; reduction of passenger rates This is an especially good month's and more equitable freight rates; ag- business. The commissioner also paid ricultural high schools in each con- into the treasury \$280.41, representing a part of the insurance that was carried on the dissecting hall recently burned at the State University.

In the work of compiling and audibagging. A resolution endorsing the ting the roll of Confederate pensionaction of the United States Depart- ers as just approved by the pension ment of Justice in proceeding against board it is discovered in the State in Sea Cliff, Long Island. Physicians the American Tobacco Company was Treasury that one U. S. Dollar is say that Mrs. Hess will die. a pensioner in Ashe county.

## PLAN TO ROB ALL PUBLISHERS

#### International Paper Company Behind Trint Paper Merger.

Appleton, Wis., Special.-The International Paper Company is said to be behind the print paper merger now being brought to a successful close. It is said that within 12 months the International Paper Company, which was incorporated in New York in February, 1898, with an authorized eapital of \$118,000,000, will control the print paper market of the United States. To do this the company will expend from \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,-000 in buying up the plants in the middle West.

#### Tuberculosis Discovered in Morgan's Fine Dairy Herd.

Highland Falls, N. Y., Special .-Tuberculosis has been discovered in the fine diary heard owned by J. Pierpont Morgan and six of his nineteen high breed milch cows have been kill The herd was composed entirely of cows of notable pedigrees and they sailor from a coastwise steamer. were kept with the greatest care in stables of the most modern sort, the mose attention being paid to proper ventilation and to all the sanitary conditions that are supposed to protect cows from tuberculosis.

## Several Hundred Out of Work.

New York, Special.-Several hun- for alarm. dred employes were thrown out of The infected steamer was ordered work by a fire which destroyed a four into quarantine with her passengers story warehouse and factory building in Furman street, Brooklyn. The loss will reach \$200,000. The fire broke two shacks inhabitied by the other out on the third floor and the build- patients were fumigated, locked up firemen arrived. Four firemen were Pole, who succumbed, were destroyed oversome by illuminating gas while in quick lime. fighting the fire. The building wa occupied by the New York & Baltimore Coffee Company and several manufacturing firms.

#### Took a Few Drinks and Died

San Francisco, Special.-An automobile containing two men a young woman and the body of a girl who had been a companion on a round of visits to Beach resorts, arrived at the Park Hospital. The three were arrested an dwill be held until the cause of the gorl's death is fully explained. The dead girl was Francis Ear, No. 1411, Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco. Her companions were George W. Ford, Harry McHenry and Pearl Shelton. The men stated that the

#### and soon expired. Operators Resign Positions.

girl had taken several drinks, fainted

Denver, Col., Special. - Judge Riddie granted a restraining order on the application of the brokerage firm of Otis & Hough, forbidding Fred Wessel, president of the Telegraphers' Union and C. A. Adams, secretary of the same organization, to call a strike cers as medical inspectors and one of operators in that office. This order compelled the operators in the office of Lagon & Bryan to furnish Otis & Hough with market reports. The men employed by Logan & Bryan thereupon resigned.

### Commissioner Neill at Home.

Washington, Special.-Commissioner of Labor Charles P. Neill arrived home from Chicago where he went on a vain effort to effect a settlement of the telegraphers' strike. He decided not to see visitors and as soon as he reached the city went to his, hime. For the present he is taking no part in the telegraph strike situation, but says he is ready to act as mediator if called upon.

Falling Scaffold Kills Two. New York, Special.-Two workmen were killed and ten others injured, one of them seriously by the collopse of a scaffold surrounding a gas tank Williamsburg. The men fell 30 feet

### News in Brief.

Seven men were badly burned by a

gas explosion in South Boston. The taking of testimony in the Southern's suits against the State of North Carolina was begun.

A settlement of the Chicago Terminal controversy was effected between the Baltimore and Ohio and Hill-Morgan group.

### Arrested For Accepting Bribe.

Boston, Special.—Building Inspector John P. Clarke of this city was arrested here charged with accepting a bribe from a contractor. The arrest was made by inspectors who, it is alleged, witnessed the payment of \$40 to Clarke by the contractor.

### Shoots Wife and Kills Himself.

New York, Special.-Angered over a family difference, Valentine Hess, a barber, fired two shots at his wife and then killed himself at his home

## Deaths Reported From San Francisco

DISEASE WELL UNDER CONTROL

But One of the Reported Sufferers Has Survived With One Exception, a Foreigner From a Coastwise Steamer, the Patents Were of the Poorer Class, Dwelling in the Neighborhood of Chinatown.

San Francisco, Special.—Five cases of bubonic plague, four of which have resulted in death, have been reported to the health department. The patients with one exception were o the poorer class of foreigners dwelling in the neighborhood of Chinatown. The exception was a foreign Prompt measures were taken by the city, State and Federal officers, and a spread of the disease is not feared. President Jules, A. Samon, of the city health board, and Health Officer Watkins said that the situation was well in hand and no occasion existed

ing which occupied nearly an entire and sealed. The bodies of the two block, was a mass of flames when the Mexicans, an Italian and a Russian

Report Sent to Washington. Washington, Special.-The first intimation of the pleague at San Francisco was received Thursday by the Marine Hospital Service. The teleram read:

"Three cases and death, plague San Francisco. Diagnosis made clinically and by strained smears from spleen and glands. No reasonable doubt as to certainty of diagnosis of cases seen and verified by long continuation with health officials. Cases found within two blocks of old 'Chinatown'

On receipt of the information instructions were sent to Surgeon Austin to confer with the State and local authorities and make full report on the measures adopted for eradi-

Surgeon Austin telegraphed that two foci had been discovered that the local board had disinfected known infeeted buildings and proposed to institute a campaign against rats. He said deaths in the city had been verified and that a general disinfection of suspected districts would begin. He asked for the assistance of two offias a bacteriologist in the State lab-

It is stated here that Assistant Surgeon Long is a trained bacteriologist and thoroughly competent to handle the situation that has devel-

## Sixteen Deaths Reported.

Harbin, Manchuria, By Cable.-The bubonie plague has broken out in South Manchuria and sixteen deaths have been reported. Travelers procoeding into North Manchuria are being medically examined at Kwang

### Passengers on Steamer Asia.

San Francisco, Special. - Among the passengers on the steamer Asia, which arrived from Honolulu was Occar S. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labor. K. Ishi Yi, Secretary of the commerce bureau of the Japanese foreign office, who will visit the On the third face is this inscrip- in course of construction for the principle cities of this country, before passenger on the Asia.

#### An Entire Village Almost Wiped Out By Fire.

Hancock, Michig Special.-The village of Hubbel, 10 miles from here was nearly wiped out by fire. Twenty-two dwellings, four stores, a hotel, the postoffice and the coal sheds, trestles and coal piles of the Calumet and Hecla Mine were burned. The loss exceeds \$100,000.

#### Receiver Asked For Big Shirt Manufacturing Company.

Utica, N. Y., Special.—Application was made before United States Court Judge Ray at Norwich for the appointment of a receiver for Curtiss Leggett & Co., manufacturers of shirts, collars and cuffs, Troy. A petition is filed by three Troy creditors who allege that the firm is insolvent The liabilities are placed at \$1,100,-000, while the aassets are said to be nominally \$2,000,000. It is said the stringency of the money market has cramped the company. The company employs about 1,400 operatives.

#### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

John W. Gates is an ardent devotee of modern croquet.

Peary has abandoned his search for the Pole for another year.

John D. Rockefeller says he is harnessed to the cart in which the people

The death is announced of Professor Berthelot, the famous French chemist.

Cardinal Gibbons preached at Southampton, England, on the misery of the wealthy who have no friends. Admiral Baron Yamamoto is one of the few Japanese who wear a full beard trimmed in Vandyke fashion.

United States Senator Borah, of Idaho, has been indicted by a United States Grand Jury for being connected with timber frauds.

The body of Augustus St. Gaudens was cremated at Mount Auburn, and the ashes sent back to Cornish, N. H., where the funeral occurred.

Dr. Julian P. Thomas, the aercnaut, who was recently the victim of an automobile accident, is an absolute fatalist. He is entirely devoid of fear.

Nearly 3000 persons were turned away from the crowded Fifth Avenue Church, New York City, when the Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, of London, preached.

General Homer A. Byington, the American Consul at Napies, celebrated his eighty-third birthday on board the Cretic on its late trip from Genoa to New York City.

Sheffield Ingalls, son of the famous Senator from Kansas, the late J. J. Ingalls, was a member of the last Kansas Legislature, and took high rank in that body among its ablest

#### Eighteen Perish in Wreck.

Buenos Ayres, Special.-Details received here of the wreck in Flindero bay of the American bark Prussia from Norfolk, March 20 for Port Townsend announced from Punta Arenas, Straits of Magellan, say that the captain committed suicide when the vessel ran ashere and that fourteen passengers, in addition to four sailors lost their lives.

### Kline Acquitted of Peonage.

Beaufort, Special.—After a charge of about 30 minutes the jury took the Kline peonage case and in two hours returned a verdict of not guilty. Another bill having been found against Kline for peonage of Irvin Hutson and Fritz Ramsey, he was held to Newbern court under a \$1,000 bond, which he gave. In default of \$300 bonds eleven foreigners were ordered held in Cartaret county jail as witnesses to that court against

### Falling Buildings Kills Five.

Chicago, Special. - Five persons were killed and eleven injured, three seriously, by the collapse of a twostory frame building at No. 55 Fry street, occupied as a boarding house. Four of the victims were instantly killed and the fifth died a few minutes after being taken to a hospital. The bodies of the dead were taken from the ruins by policemen and firemen who risked their lives when compelled to crawl under the building to reach the victims.

#### NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Consols made a new low record in

Judge Grosscup, in Chicago, granted a writ of error to the Standard Oil Company.

Serious clashes have occurred in the disbandment of Korean soldiers. in interior towns.

The Salvation Army in England is sending emigrants to Canada in batches of 600 monthly. Members of the British House of

Commons are sharply criticised for their lack of business methods. The first organization ever known

in the spice trade has been effected at New York City by fifty-six houses. A New York City Magistrate has decided that a man has a right to make a fool of himself if he wants to

Prince Scipione Borghese, the winner of the race from Pekin, was warmly welcomed on reaching Paris. Marcelin Albert, erstwhile "Apostle

of the South," is a fallen idol, hoeted and groaned at by the French villagers. Coventry and the modern Lady

Godiva drew most of the Americans away from London during the anniversary week. Caid Sir Harry MacLean has been

handed over by the Moorish bandit Raisuli to the Elkmes tribe, which has set him at liberty. The ore docks of Allouez and

Mesaba have caught up with the boats for the first time since the beginning of the recent ore strike. An experimental band concert in the Bronk Park Zoo caused such a

frightful uproar among the wild animals that the music had to be stopped. The Turkish version of the trouble on the Persian frontier lays the blame on the Persians, who are said to have

attacked a detachment in the town

of Mergovar.

FICTION'S LIMITS. "Do you like fiction?" the girl asked. "Well," he responded, "that depends. Now, something probable, as the 'Arabian llights,' for instance, is all right: but I draw the line at a Nevada mining prospectus."-Philadelphia Ledger.



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