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A LIVELY OLD MAN

Proves Too Much for the Son.

TWO BLOWS ON HEAD

OLD MAN WILLIAMS RECOVERS AND USES HIS CANE FREELY.

Assault Made With Intent to Kill, But the Result Was the Boy Was Badly Beaten and Retreated, Only to be Arrested by the Police.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Daniel Williams, a colored man of about twenty-two years, was looked up at the Second precinct station last night, charged with assault with intent to kill, the complainant being his father, Marshall Williams, Sr., whose home is on Sampson street northwest.

The trouble between father and son grew out of the suicide of Marshall Williams, Jr., who drowned himself from the long bridge a few days ago. The dead boy was a son of Marshall Williams, Sr., and a brother to Daniel. Daniel accused his father of driving his brother to suicide, and had on several occasions threatened to kill him. Last night he armed himself with a pair of bricks and a large pocket-knife and lay in wait for his father.

About 8 o'clock in the evening Marshall Williams, Sr., entered his yard, and, as he was about to open the door of his house, Daniel sprang upon him. Two blows on the side of the head dazed the father for a second, and then he turned and the fight began in earnest. Daniel soon found that he had met more than he bargained for. The old gentleman was very active, and armed with a large cane which he always carried, was well able to defend himself, even when taken by surprise. The cane rose and fell as though driven by a powerful engine, and every blow drew blood. Once Daniel tried to close in and use the knife, but succeeded in inflicting only a few slight wounds, while the cane did effective work on his head.

Failing to kill his father, he beat a hasty retreat to Fourteenth street, and was going toward P street when overhauled by Officer Rickles. At the patrol box the boy tried to break away from the policeman and renew his attack upon his father. Being unsuccessful, he threatened that when he again he would return and kill his father.

An examination showed that the son's head had been badly beaten with the cane, but not enough to necessitate sending him to the hospital. The father's coat was cut in several places about the shoulders, but only a few slight wounds had been inflicted with the knife. He went to the station to enter complaint against his son.

At the time of Marshall Williams's suicide the father had placed in the hands of the police a warrant, charging his son with the larceny of a coat. It was for this offense the police wanted the boy when he jumped from Long bridge, and for which his other son blamed him.

Revolt Against Barrios.

Berlin, Sept. 13.—Dispatches from Guatemala say that the long smoldering flames of revolution have at last broken out against President Barrios in the western part of the republic, which has been declared in a state of siege.

The country is in a wretched condition financially and politically. During the last thirty days failures aggregating \$7,000,000, Central American money, have been reported. This amount represents six firms and many smaller concerns have gone under for less amounts. The avowed intention of President Barrios to summon the assembly at an early date to confirm him as dictator adds fuel to the fire.

Base-Ball Yesterday.

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Cleveland	00000011	251
At Baltimore: First game:		
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Chicago	00100001	0250
Second game:		
Baltimore	02630x	1192
Chicago	801000	482
At Cleveland:		
Cleveland	10028001	x-7123
St. Louis	12000010	46126
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New York	2100311	8114
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Louis	00000007	x-793
Pittsburgh	00011000	252

TWO SISTERS BURNED TO DEATH.

Clothes Ignited by Burning Kerosene—Both Aged Spinners.

Lynn, Mass., Sept. 13.—Two maiden sisters, Miss Harriet C. Sheldon, eighty-two years of age, and Miss Matilda Sheldon, eighty-six, were fatally burned at their home here to-day. The old ladies, who lived in a house by themselves, were cooking with a kerosene stove when the latter tipped over, and the oil run out and ignited. The burning oil communicated to Matilda's clothes, and they were quickly ablaze. Harriet attempted to extinguish the fire and her clothing also caught. The old ladies were both in firm, and they could do little else than scream for assistance.

A neighbor rushed to their aid. Before he could reach them, Matilda had run through the house into the front room and thrown herself into an easy chair, and when the neighbor got to her side she was dead. On the floor in the kitchen lay the other sister, suffering terribly from her burns. The neighbor soon extinguished the flames, and the woman was removed to the hospital, but she died a few hours afterward.

The Sheldon sisters formerly conducted a school, in which they gave tuition to the children of the best families in this city.

TRAIN ROBBERY FRUSTRATED.

Tramps Attempt to Hold Up Wells-Fargo Messengers in Ohio.

Lima, Ohio, Sept. 14.—An attempt to rob the Wells Fargo express train on the Chicago and Erie road was frustrated near Foraker, Ohio, to-day. A gang of twelve tramps were discovered on the train. The train was stopped and the men were ordered off, but instead of doing so they made a rush for one of the express cars. The messengers opened fire and held them at bay until the train started again, when the tramps made their escape. It is not known whether any one was wounded or not.

PRESIDENT GOES TO WASHINGTON.

Cabinet Meeting To-Morrow and Then Off for New England.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 13.—President McKinley and party, together with Attorney General McKenna, left Somerset, Pennsylvania, this morning, and are expected to arrive here at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

A cabinet meeting has been called for to-morrow. It is reported that the President will then continue his vacation, spending the time until October 1 in New England.

Rebels gather at Hangu.

S. m. c., Sept. 13.—News has been received from the front that Fort Shabkadr is now closely surrounded, and that any attempt to reconnoiter beyond a five mile radius is opposed by a determined rebel fire. The rebels are still gathering at Hangu. Yesterday while the column of Col. Biggs was moving along Samana Ridge to prevent an attack on a habukhel fort the commander found that position secure, but his rear-guard was attacked by the rebels at nightfall and a fierce conflict ensued. The enemy was repulsed with a heavy loss. The official dispatch adds:

"Our losses are six natives killed and several wounded. Firing can be heard in the direction of the Mohmand country."

Cassava in Florida.

Capitalists are inquiring as to the cassava production in Florida, with a view to establishing a starch factory in that State, and Florida dreams of wealth in consequence. Cassava grows as freely in Florida as potatoes and on soil as poor as that which will grow potatoes. It will grow anywhere in the State; its tops will propagate like cane; its roots will keep in the soil and need not be hurried to market. Florida can produce enough cassava to keep every starch factory in the United States going. At present cassava is only grown for home consumption. Florida people say that it is better than the choicest tapioca and an acre planted with it will produce more farinaceous food for man and beast than any other crop except bananas. Great may be cassava!

Benham Says He Will Suicide.

Batavia, N. Y., Sept. 13.—Howard Benham, who was sentenced last Saturday to be hanged the first week in November for poisoning his wife, declares he will suicide before the time set for his execution. Close watch will be kept on him day and night. Benham was taken to Auburn prison this morning.

The yellow fever seems to be spreading despite the efforts made to stamp it out.

CHASED TO DEATH

Murderer Confessed a Blacker Crime.

LYNCHED FOR ASSAULT

TWO BRUTAL CRIMES MAR THE SAB-BATH IN GEORGIA.

Negro in Macon, Pursued by a Sheriff's Posse, Fights to the Last—Ex-Convict Returns and Kills the Man Who Caused His Imprisonment.

Macon, Ga., Sept. 13.—A murder was committed in this city this morning, and this afternoon the slayer was lynched, not for murder, however, but for criminal assault.

This morning about 8 o'clock Charley Gibson and Jim Smith, both colored, engaged in a quarrel about the latter accusing the former of stealing 30 cents. Smith, not inclined to fight, turned to go away, whereupon Gibson drew a pistol and shot him in the back and head, killing him instantly. Gibson then fled. The Sheriff and posse were soon in pursuit, and kept on the chase until 4 o'clock p. m., occasionally exchanging shots with the fugitive. At 5 p. m. the murderer was run to cover, and surrounded by the deputies. The negro, being well armed, gave shot for shot until brought down by three bullets from Winchester rifles and captured.

The negro had been suspected of having assaulted a Miss Chapman a few nights ago, and this suspicion was confirmed by his confession. A large crowd soon gathered at the scene of the shooting, but there were no threats of violence or intimidation. The Sheriff and deputies returned to the city to get a vehicle to convey the wounded man to jail, and while they were absent, the negro again confessed to have assaulted Miss Chapman and committing several thefts and burglaries. The crowd secured a rope, and swung the negro from a limb.

Gibson is an ex-convict, having served several years in the chain gang. In his house were found innumerable articles stolen from residences in this city, many of which have been identified by owners.

A Deadly Tornado.

Port Arthur, Tex., Sept. 13.—A tornado, terrible in its velocity, struck this little city at an early hour last evening. Six people are known to have been killed while many others were injured. Buildings were blown down, and great damage was wrought by the cyclone. Many buildings were blown down, including the railroad round-house, the auditorium, the bank building, Town-Site Company's barns, the Herald office, two hotels and several stores. Several residences were badly wrecked.

A relief train has just returned from Sabine Pass. It could not come nearer than eight miles. It is reported that the town is completely gone.

Declares Himself a Murderer.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 14.—Edgar Striking, a prominent planter, formerly of Georgia, who was acting as one of the coroner's jury empaneled to investigate the death of Wm. Hornet, a contractor who was found dead with a bullet through his brain Saturday, has confessed that he himself is the murderer. At his own request he was placed under arrest. He says he killed Hornet because Hornet had insulted his sister, Mrs. Howell Henham.

Examination of Goldensuppe To-Morrow.

New York, Sept. 13.—The examination of Martin Thorn and Augusta Nack, charged with murdering William Goldensuppe, will be taken up by the grand jury to-morrow.

The Weather.

Generally fair to-night and Wednesday. Conditions: The weather conditions throughout the east continue unchanged. The high barometer covers the entire country east of the Mississippi river. The pressure is lowest in the west, and of sufficient depth to cause fresh southerly winds from the Mississippi westward. Rain has occurred in the southwest, mainly over Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, the largest amounts falling in northern Texas. The weather is cloudy at only a few scattered points; elsewhere clear and warm. Concord will petition the Southern for a new passenger depot.

BILL DAY KILLS HIS SWEETHEART.

Laid-Out the Corpse and Put a Pillow Under the Head.

A report from Winston says: Bill Day killed his sweetheart, Laura Ellis, out near the "Pond," a tough section of the city, Saturday night, about 10 o'clock.

The negro, after he had discovered that the woman was dead, laid her out, put a pillow under her head, and lit out for parts unknown before the arrival of the officers.

Green Scales, who lives in the adjoining house to the scene of murder, was standing near the window and saw the murder committed.

Officers are on the look out for the murderer, but up to 10 o'clock this morning have no clue as to his whereabouts.

Mr. Hay Promoted.

The New Orleans Agent, an insurance journal published in New Orleans, in a recent issue, said: "United States Managers Hall and Henshaw have appointed Mr. Gilbert Hay Southern Special Agent for their trio of companies, covering the States of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas, with headquarters at New Orleans. Mr. Hay is a South Carolinian by birth, a brother of the General Agent, T. T. Hay, of Raleigh, N. C., and has until this appointment, for several years represented the Northern Assurance in Texas. He is well and popularly known in the southern field, and we congratulate him on his deserved promotion, and shall welcome him to New Orleans. The companies he will represent for the South are the Union Assurance Society and the Law, Union and Crown Insurance Company, of London, Eng., and the Victoria Fire Insurance Company, of New York."

Mr. Hay has been in Raleigh this summer on a visit to his brothers.

Bancroft Taken Ill.

A telegram was received last evening by the management of the Academy of Music announcing that Bancroft, the magician, will be unable to fulfill his engagement at the Academy next week, owing to the sudden illness of the great artist. Mr. Bancroft's physicians say that he has symptoms of typhoid fever, and that he will be unable to leave his bed for at least ten days. Mr. Bancroft was taken ill in Wilmington, Del. This news will be received with regret by the patrons of the Academy in Raleigh. It is very likely that he will appear here at a later date, if his illness does not take a turn for the worse.

A Painful Accident.

News has been received here of a painful accident that happened to Mr. Alonzo Parham, a Wake county farmer, near Durham, Saturday morning. He was on his way to Durham in a wagon, and when at the railroad crossing at Redmond's grove his horse took fright and ran away. He with a companion was thrown from the wagon. Mr. Parham had his right leg between the knee and ankle broken and was otherwise badly bruised. The companion escaped with only a few slight bruises. He was taken to the Watts hospital, at Durham, where Drs. Cheatham, Pierce, Boddie, Johnson and Manning administered to his necessities and the patient is said to be doing well.

A Very Sad Death.

News reached here last night of the death at Blowing Rock of Miss Mary Ruffin, one of the most beautiful and charming young women of the State. She was the youngest daughter of Dr. John K. Ruffin, of Wilson, and granddaughter of the late Judge R. M. She spent the winter in Washington, D. C., with her brother, Dr. Sterling Ruffin, and was greatly admired for her social graces and beauty. Her death will be lamented by a large family connection and many friends. The interment took place in Hillsboro to-day.

Services at Central Church.

Protracted, religious services are held at Central M. E. church every evening commencing promptly at 7:45. These services are quite interesting. The interest is increasing.

The sermon by the pastor, E. C. Glenn, last evening was excellent and taken from James 5th chapter 16 and 17 verses. Theme: "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." At the close of the sermon invitation was extended, and four persons availed themselves of the opportunity and were at the altar for prayer. A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all Christian workers in the city irrespective of denomination, and especially to the serious and unconverted to come and be with us and assist us in this grand work.

VERDICT FOR CAHN

Against Manager Meares for \$200.

CASE TRIED BY JURY

"SOWING THE WIND" CURTAIN DID NOT RISE.

But, However, the Manager of the Theatrical Company Wants the \$200 Guaranteed by Mr. Meares, Manager Metropolitan Opera House.

Last night when the people assembled at Metropolitan Opera House to see the play, entitled "Sowing the Wind," the curtain failed to rise, owing to a disagreement between the proprietor, Mr. Julius Cahn, and George D. Meares, Esq., manager of the hall. All money which had been paid for tickets was promptly refunded by Mr. Meares.

From what we can gather, Messrs. Meares and Cahn formed a contract, whereby it was agreed that the troupe should receive one third of the receipts, with \$200 guaranteed as that proportion. To this Mr. Meares objected, saying that it was not customary to settle until after the first act. This caused a hitch, and no performance was the result.

In the suit to-day, defendant demanded a trial by jury, which returned a verdict for the plaintiff. Armistead Jones, Esq., appeared for Meares, and Cahn was represented by Mr. W. B. Snow. Justice Roberts presided at the trial.

Mr. Meares has taken an appeal to the Superior Court.

A Card From Manager Meares.

As the Manager of the Metropolitan Opera House, I desire to express my regrets to the people who came out last night to witness Sowing the Wind. The trouble was unavoidable, as the demands of management of the company were unusual. They demanded the guarantee \$200, before the curtain went up, when it is the custom to make settlements after the first act. I promise that no such trouble will occur again. Thanking the public for their patronage, I am,

Very truly,
GEO. D. MEARES.

Young Fighters.

Justice Nichols had several boys before him yesterday for fighting. Two small boys at the instance of a boy of larger size attempted to whip another boy. The boy assailed proved the best fighter, and was getting the best of the two boys when the instigator took a hand. The two smaller assailants were taxed with the cost, and the larger one was fined \$5.00.

Mr. Walter Brem, Jr.

Mr. Walter Brem, Jr., one of Charlotte's most popular young men, is to enter the ministry of the Methodist church. He will go north with Rev. Plato Durham, and they will take a special course in theology in a New York University. They will leave for the north about the 20th instant.—G. c. e. n. s.

They Did Not Show.

Only a small audience assembled at the Metropolitan opera house last night to witness "Sowing the Wind." The curtain did not go up, however, as the company came here on a guarantee and the management failed to comply with the agreement. Money was refunded and the audience departed with regret, as they missed a good show, judging from the favorable press notices given by the papers of Richmond and other cities.

Meeting Postponed.

Owing to the excessive heat the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry, which was to have taken place to-night at the Mayor's office, has been postponed until next Tuesday night, September 21.

Jos. E. Pogue, President.

State Board of Pharmacy.

The State Board of Pharmacy is holding a session at the Supreme Court building to-day. Nineteen male and one female applicants are before it.

Lawn Party.

The ladies of West Raleigh Baptist Church will give a lawn party to-night at the church. Come and bring your friends.

Capital Hose Company.

There will be a meeting of this company to-night at 8:30 o'clock.

Trolley Party.

It was a happy looking set of children, with several grown folks thrown in, which participated in the trolley party last night. The fire-studded car "Venus" was brought into requisition, and fairly surpassed itself in brilliancy. Wherever it went, there seemed to be a travelling conflagration, so glaring was the effect. It was not until a late hour that the youthful excursionists returned to their homes, well pleased with the night's enjoyment.

Marriage at Selma To-Morrow.

At Selma to-morrow morning, Mr. James Spires will wed Miss Margaret Waddell. Several parties from this city will attend. An elegant reception will be tendered the happy couple. Mr. Dughi will furnish the refreshments. The bride-elect has often visited Raleigh, and has many friends here.

Geological Congress.

The governor has a letter from H. B. C. Niess, assistant state geologist, who is now at St. Petersburg, Russia, accepting the appointment as a delegate from North Carolina to the seventh annual international geological congress now in session there.

The Convicts Arrive.

The convicts to do the grading on the Atlantic Coast Line's link between the Wilmington and Weldon and Wilmington and Newbern tracks arrived here yesterday, says the Messenger. The colored laborers around the city are greatly dissatisfied because convicts have been brought here to do this work.

Death of an Infant.

News was received here this morning of the death of Thomas Godfrey, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Casey, of Portsmouth, Va., which occurred in that city at 10:30 yesterday morning. The funeral services were held this morning at 10 o'clock.

Telegraph Case.

Hon. Charles A. Cook, of Warrenton, and Col. L. O. Edwards, of Oxford, are here to assist Attorney-General Walser in the Western Union Telegraph Company's suit against the Railroad Commission.

Brought to the Asylum.

Betsy Strayhorn, of Durham, has been pronounced insane, and she was yesterday brought here to the insane asylum by Sheriff Markham. The woman is about forty years old and has been an inmate of the county home for eight or ten years.

Official Fair Programme.

Mr. Geo. Allen is getting up the official programme of the State fair. It will be 24 page pamphlet, same size as the premium list. About 10,000 copies will be issued during fair week.

Wake Forest Law Students.

Thirteen students from the Law School at Wake Forest have been registered in the office of the Supreme Court Clerk, and will apply for license to practice on the 27th inst.

Peace Institute.

This famous school will open to-morrow. Quite a number of young ladies came in this morning. Prof. Dinwiddie tells us that prospects for the coming session are most flattering.

Tried to Escape.

An inmate of the Insane Asylum yesterday tried to escape, but was prevented from so doing by the ever alert management of that institution.

Manteo Lodge.

Regular meeting of Manteo Lodge, No. 8, I. O. O. F., at 7:30 o'clock to-night sharp. All members are earnestly requested to be present.

Received at the Pen.

Milam, the Charlotte defaulter, arrived to-day, with five others, at the Penitentiary to begin his sentence of three years.

Big Check.

State Treasurer Worth has drawn a check for \$482,400, to pay interest on the construction bonds of the North Carolina Railroad.

Mayor's Court.

Mayor Russ this morning fined two parties \$5.25 each—one for assault and the other for reckless driving.

Evangelist Lee is now conducting a series of meetings in Winston.