

A FIENDISH CRIME

Heartless Conduct of a Washington Nurse.

PEPPER IN BABY'S EYES

THREE MONTHS IN JAIL WAS THE PENALTY FIXED BY THE COURT.

The Neighbors Rushed in to Baby's Assistance and its Eyes Were Cleansed of the Pepper, Which Caused Untold Agony.

Washington, D. C., September 17.—A fiendish crime was fixed on Margaret Varner, a twelve-year-old colored girl, in the Police Court yesterday. She was employed by Douglass Fitzhugh, of 812 Sixth street northwest, to nurse his twelve-month-old boy.

Tuesday afternoon about 3 o'clock, Mr. Fitzhugh was asleep while the child was playing at the foot of the bed. The nurse was lying on a mattress upon the floor. Mr. Fitzhugh was awakened by hearing the nurse girl rise and go toward the dining room. He remained still and did not open his eyes. Soon he heard the girl return to the foot of the bed, and then a scream of agony came from the baby.

Fitzhugh sprang to his feet and took the child, shrieking with pain, from the arms of the nurse. In a moment the father discovered that the baby's face and eyes and mouth were covered with black pepper.

"You have thrown pepper in my child's eyes," said the father.

Margaret denied this, but fled to her home in Freeman's alley. Neighbors went to Mr. Fitzhugh's aid, and the child's eyes were cleared of the pepper. After an hour or more, during which the little boy nearly went into convulsions, Detective Lacey arrested the girl, who fought him like a demon.

In disposing of the case, Judge Kimball said the age of the nurse girl and the absence of a criminal record influenced him in making the sentence lighter than it should otherwise be. Three months in jail was the penalty fixed.

Brokers Arrested for Larceny.

New York, Sept. 17.—Clifford Davis, Stephen R. Tobin and William Archer, members of the firm of Tobin & Troy, bankers were arrested yesterday, charged with the larceny of \$2,100.

The accusation was made by Willis B. Troy, a member of the firm, who swears that the money was paid to the firm by Mrs. Wheaton to be used as a "discretionary margin" on sugar, and that the three men who were arrested wrote her that sugar had gone down, whereas it had really increased in value. The men were taken to police headquarters.

Dublin Man Accused of Robbery.

Denver, Col., Sept. 16.—Deputy United States Marshal Poe arrived in this city to-day in charge of James Burslem Lovelock, who is being taken to Dublin, Ireland, to stand trial on the charge of embezzling several hundred pounds from the British Government. Lovelock, up to last December, was in the government postal service at Dublin. It is alleged that he appropriated \$1,100 from the postoffice at Dublin and departed for America, leaving a wife and seven children.

Grain to be Shipped Through Charleston.

Charleston, S. C., Sept. 17.—Two cargoes of Western grain have been booked for Liverpool from Kansas City and St. Louis by way of Charleston. This means the opening of the new grain elevator on the South Carolina and Georgia Railroad terminal and the establishment of direct trade with Europe. The grain will come in over the Carolina and Georgia rail road and Western connections, and the Charleston transportation line of steamers.

Hunter On Trial.

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 17.—The trial of Dr. Godfrey Hunter, ex-Congressman John H. Wilson, Hon. E. R. Franks, and others, on the charge of conspiracy to bribe members of the Legislature in the Senatorial race, began yesterday.

It was stated last night that ex-Senator Blackburn would not be called to testify, which is regarded as a virtual acquittal of aim as to the alleged conspiracy by which the indictments were brought. It is not probable that any of the defendants will be convicted.

The Oaks driving club of Wilmington has postponed its drive meet from October 19th to October 26th.

A BRILLIANT WEDDING.

Miss Margaret N. Waddell married to Mr. James A. Spires at Selma.

Selma, N. C., Sept. 16.—Last night, at 9 o'clock, at the Methodist church at this place, was witnessed one of the most fashionable and brilliant marriages seen for quite a long time in our town.

The contracting parties were Miss Margaret N. Waddell and Mr. Jas. A. Spires, one of our most popular young men. Mr. Spires has held a position with Atlantic Coast Line railroad at this place for two or three years, and enjoys the confidence and respect of a wide circle of friends.

The bride is a very highly educated and accomplished young lady, and has been one of the leading belles of our town. The church was filled to overflowing.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Crowson, the popular pastor of the Methodist church, who performed the ceremony according to the beautiful ritual of his church.

The bride was attired in white satin, and carried a large bouquet of bride's roses.

After the ceremony the party went direct to the home of the bride's mother, where from 9:30 till 11:15 a grand reception was held, refreshments of every imaginable kind being served. The presents were both numerous and expensive and was a token of the high esteem that this admirable couple were held in the hearts of their numerous friends.

After the reception they took the north bound train for New York and other northern cities. It was followed by the congratulations and best wishes of their friends.

WILL GET ON THE STUMP.

Senator Mark Hanna Will Speak in the Ohio Campaign.

Cleveland, Sept. 15.—Senator Hanna next week will take the stump in the Ohio campaign. The meetings which have been arranged for are September 21, at Canal Dover; September 22, at Marietta; September 23, at McConnellsville; September 24, at Zanesville, and September 25, at Delaware.

Colored Coachman Killed.

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 17.—At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon a crash like the explosion of a piece of artillery attracted the attention of every one in the business portion of the city. In a few minutes Dexter avenue, in front of the building occupied by Gotter, Well & Co., was packed with people. The parapet wall and heavy cornice which had just been added to the building had fallen on the sidewalk and in the street.

Removing the debris uncovered the body of Lonney Reese, a colored carriage driver for one member of the firm. He had been killed instantly. One of the clerks in the store received a severe scalp wound, but is resting easily to-night. A wagon belonging to the Mutual Light and Power Company was standing near, and two linemen for the company were injured, one having a leg broken. The horse was killed.

Burned Their Own Buildings.

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Clark Arthur and a young man named Case, of Chest township, this county, were arrested yesterday evening by Sheriff Smith on the charge of arson. The Arthurs are quite well to do people, and extensively known. They were taken to Clearfield this morning, and entered bail for their appearance in court. The Arthurs are charged with having employed Cass last March to burn one of their own buildings to secure \$1,600 insurance. The insurance was paid, and the company sent a detective to Chest township to investigate the fire. The detective claims he has evidence to implicate the accused.

Four Persons Killed and Ten Injured.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 17.—A wreck on the Wabash, at Keytesville, Mo., early this morning, resulted in the death of four persons killed and ten were more or less injured.

The passenger train left St. Louis at 9 o'clock Wednesday night. The freight was a minute late at Keytesville, and was just entering the switch when the passenger train crashed into it.

The only theory as to the cause of the wreck is that there must have been a deviation in the watches of the conductors.

Base-Ball Yesterday.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Score. Includes Baltimore, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Washington, Boston, and New York.

HOME INSURANCE

The South Atlantic Life Insurance Co. to Start.

MEETING OF CITIZENS

PROMINENT MEN DISCUSS THE MATTER AND THINK TIME PROPITIOUS.

Messrs. N. B. Broughton and George Allen Explain the Project—Committee Appointed to Solicit Additional Subscriptions to Stock.

The South Atlantic Life Insurance Company must begin active business was the opinion of an interesting meeting of a number of Raleigh's leading citizens. The meeting was held in the reading room of the Park Hotel. Among those present were G. O. Allen, Esq., Secretary of the Mechanics and Investors Union; R. H. Battle, Esq., Capt. Samuel A. Ashe, N. B. Broughton, Esq., Josephus Daniels, Editor News and Observer, Henry E. Litchford, Cashier Citizens National Bank, Wm. Williamson, Pilot Cotton Mills, Chas. Pearson, Esq., Jno. Nichols, Secretary N. C. Agricultural Society, J. R. Chamberlain, President Carolina Phosphate Works, Jos. E. Pogue, President Chamber of Commerce, Jno. E. Ray, Superintendent Blind Institute, and Messrs. H. S. Leard, S. S. Batchelor, W. E. Ashley, Edgar Leach, Frank Ward, W. O. Reddick and others.

Mr. N. B. Broughton was made chairman, and E. A. Womble, Editor Times, was made secretary.

The chairman explained the object of the meeting. He stated that the South Atlantic Life Insurance Company was chartered by the Legislature of 1895, with a capital stock of \$100,000 and that \$50,000 of the capital stock had been subscribed, and directors and officers had been elected.

Julius Lewis, Esq., is President; H. W. Jackson, Treasurer; Geo. Allen, Secretary and Dr. A. W. Knox, examiner.

The company has been awaiting a propitious time to get additional stock, and to launch the project. The directors think that now is the time.

Mr. Broughton urged the importance and advantage of a home institution of this character.

Mr. Geo. Allen, who is the moving spirit in the matter, and who is one of the most public spirited and enterprising members of our city, then entered into the details of the plans of the company, and his plans and remarks met with favorable attention. He explained that it would not be any cheap job affair, but would be conducted on the very latest insurance principles.

Informal talks followed. Richard H. Battle, Esq., threw his weight to help the enterprise, and recited his valuable experience in the insurance business, all of which gave encouragement to the new enterprise.

President Pogue looked with much favor upon the subject. Capt. Ashe spoke encouragingly, and of the necessity of operating on a proper basis, and thorough business principles.

Remarks were also made by Messrs. Mosely, Batchelor and others.

Mr. Battle moved that the board of directors be requested to appoint a committee to solicit further subscriptions of stock, and none but reliable citizens who meet their obligations be accepted, in order that the organization may be a strong one. The motion was carried.

A considerable amount of stock was subscribed last night.

The company desires to dispose of blocks of shares of \$1,000, payments of \$5 to be made monthly.

The meeting adjourned to meet again Thursday, September 30, at same place. Mr. Allen, who is the originator, and who has labored so ardently to place the company on its feet, feels very much encouraged at the meeting last night, and entertains the very best hopes that the South Atlantic Life Insurance Company, of North Carolina, will soon be an assured active fact.

Indicted for Murder.

New York, Sept. 16.—Martin Thorn and Mrs. Augusta Naek were indicted to-day by the grand jury of Queens county, sitting in Long Island City, for the murder of Wm. Guldensuppe at Woodside, L. I., the indictments being found separately. John Gotha, the New York barber, upon whose information the arrest was made by the police, told the jury of Thorn's confession to him thirty-two other witnesses also testified. The prisoners will probably be transferred from the Tombs to-morrow. They will not be arraigned until the first Monday in October.

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SUIT WILL BE BROUGHT.

Complaint Against Ex-State Printers to be Filed in a Few Days.

The attorneys who represent the State in the suit which has been brought by the State Treasurer against Stewart Bros., ex-State printers, for failure to comply with the law and for other irregularities, for which the Stewarts' bonds men are liable, will be filed in a very few days, probably this week.

This complaint will contain additional allegations and while the contents of this paper have not yet been made public, it is certain that some new facts and figures will be presented which will put the transaction of the Stewarts in a very bad light. Already the attorneys for the State have found about \$8,000 which they say the Stewarts drew as public printers and were not entitled to.

The composition of nearly twenty-five different public documents were paid for more than once by the State, according to the allegations. They contend that the State Auditor's report was paid for three times. The composition of the report was charged once to the legislative branch, again the composition for a certain number of the reports for the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and again the cost of this composition was charged to the Auditor's department. This is only a sample of what the complaint contains.

LEFT FOR BILTMORE.

State Forester Ashe Will Visit Nashville With Botanist Association.

Mr. W. W. Ashe, the State Forester, left this morning to join the American Association of Botanists, who meet at Biltmore to inspect the forests of that estate, there being only two forests under scientific direction in this country, one on the Adirondack Reserve in New York, and that of Mr. Vanderbilt at Biltmore.

Mr. Ashe represents the State Geological Survey, and will accompany the botanists to the Nashville Exposition. He stands high as a botanist and scientist.

Aberdeen-Angus Cattle.

This is a breed of cattle that has never been shown at our State Fair, and there are few, if any, in this State. This breed is principally to be found in the north eastern counties of Scotland, Forfar and Aberdeen being the chief centres. They are a polled cattle, and are said to be the finest beef cattle in the country, as well as fine milkers. Some of the males reach the enormous weight of 2,200 pounds, and the milkers have produced as high as 9,000 pounds of milk per annum, which will produce one pound of butter to every 27 pounds of milk.

A large herd of these cattle have been secured for exhibition at the State Fair. They will be quite a curiosity to those who have never seen them.

Editors to go to Nashville.

Mr. J. B. Sherrill secretary of the North Carolina Press Association, has perfected arrangements for the association to attend the Nashville Centennial in a body. The editors will leave on Monday, September 20th. A kind of side trip has been arranged also, but it will be optional. Those who take this trip, and it promises to be a very delightful one, will stop over in Chattanooga Tuesday and take in the great Chickamauga National Park, Lookout Mountain and other places interest.

Colored Fire Department.

The headquarters of the Colored Fire Department on the corner of Blount and Hargett streets, which is in course of construction, will be completed in about a month. It will be a handsome structure when finished, and will greatly add to the safety of that section of the city.

Sent to the Insane Asylum.

Gaston Gamble, an inmate of the Guilford county home, was sent to the State Hospital for the insane yesterday morning, says the Greensboro Telegram. He is an old man, being 65 or 70 years of age, and this is the third time he has been in the Asylum.

To Sufferers From Headache.

We call our readers' attention to the advertisement of Anticephalgine which appears in this issue. This is one of the finest headache and neuralgia medicines in use. This is no empty introduction, as we have used it ourselves, and it has never failed to cure.

Railing for Cashier.

A handsome railing is being put in the cashier's department of the Revenue office here. Messrs. Briggs are the contractors.

BURRAGE'S SWORD

Union Veteran Made Happy by Return of Relic.

IN A MASONIC LODGE

IT WAS BROUGHT TO NORTH CAROLINA, THEN TAKEN TO MISSOURI.

Interesting Story of its Capture as Told by a Newspaper in Maine—Major Burrage's Letter to Governor Russell Received on the 15th Inst.

Major Henry S. Burrage, of Portland, Me., is a happy man. After much vain search his sword, which was captured by the Confederates on November 1, 1864, has been restored to him. The interesting story of its capture and return is told at some length in the Portland Daily Press of last Wednesday. During the war Major Burrage had agreed to meet a Confederate officer to exchange some newspapers between the lines, but for some reason the officer failed to put in an appearance and Burrage was captured by another party of Confederates who did not know of the agreement which had been made. Colonel Cowan, then in command of Lane's brigade of North Carolinians, said that the capture had been made under a misapprehension, but Burrage had seen so much of the Confederate lines that he could not then return. In the meanwhile, Gen. Roger A. Pryor, of the Confederate army, was taken by the Federals, and finally exchanged for Burrage. The latter's sword, however, which was taken when he was captured, could not be found. It was brought back to North Carolina after the war by a Lieut. Teague; and, after passing out of his hands, was finally taken to Missouri and presented to a Masonic Lodge for the Tyler's use. Upon hearing the facts, the lodge voted that it be returned to Major Burrage, which was accordingly done.

Major Burrage has been aided in his efforts by Governor Russell and many other North Carolinians, as well as the State press, in which many inquiries concerning it have been published. Under date of the 15th of this month, Major Burrage writes Governor Russell, as follows:

"You can hardly imagine with what feelings I took the sword again in my hands after so many years. Wartime memories crowded upon me, and upon the scabbard were still the stains of blood, which came from a wound I received at Cold Harbor. I wish to thank you and all the North Carolina friends, among them Quartermaster-General Harrell, for your kindly assistance in my search for the sword. If I had not recovered the sword, I should have been well repaid for my trouble by the interesting and most kindly letters which I received, and especially by the evidences they furnish that we are now brethren, members of a common country, and united in heart and purpose under one flag."

Two Lunatics.

This afternoon Justices H. H. Roberts and R. C. Rivers held two inquisitions of lunacy, one of Annie Banks, a colored woman of Garner, the other of a colored woman of the village of Oberlin, named Mollie Davis.

Killed a Cow.

The Seaboard Air Line mail this morning killed a cow at the Caraleigh siding just above the Penitentiary. The cow belonged to Mr. Wm. Boylan, and was a very valuable animal.

Arm Torn Off.

Dr. Hines was called to the country this evening to attend a man who had his arm torn off by a cotton gin. The name of the injured person could not be obtained from our informant.

Reception to Freshmen.

The three upper classes of the A and M. College will give a reception to the freshmen to-night. Refreshments will be served. There are about 100 freshmen enrolled.

Preliminary Hearing.

Charles Pace, accused of being an accessory to the murder of Rosa Morgan, will be given a preliminary hearing to-morrow.

Opening of Blind Institution.

There were 113 white students at the opening of the Blind institution yesterday, and 116 at the colored institution.

FATHER AND SON SHOT.

A Serious Shooting Affair in Sharon Last Night.

A serious shooting affair occurred, says the Charlotte News, in Sharon township, not far from Sharon church, last night, at 11:30 o'clock.

As a result Mr. R. R. Turner and his son, Mr. R. Lester Turner, are in a critical condition.

Mr. W. D. Turner, whose father and brother were wounded, was here this morning and told a News man how the affair occurred.

It seems that Lester Turner and William McGinn came to Charlotte together, the former riding horse back, the latter in a wagon. McGinn had been drinking, according to Mr. Turner, and he and Lester Turner on the way home got into a dispute. The quarrel led to a fistfight, and he and Lester were separated the rest of the way.

It being rather late before Lester returned, his father being anxious about him, walked up to McGinn's house to see about his son. Meanwhile Lester returned and went in search of his father. He caught him before he got to McGinn's house, and they turned back home. As they reached the spot where the roads make a Y, McGinn rushed out of the undergrowth with an oath and said, "Lester, I'm not done with you," at the same time drawing a pistol. He fired, the bullet taking effect in his left side, just above the hip, striking a rib and glancing around to the right side.

The father picked up a stick lying in the road and knocked McGinn down. McGinn shot him in the shoulder. Turner knocked him down again, and McGinn again shot almost in the same place. The third time he was knocked down McGinn aimed at his head, and the bullet missed its mark.

Dr. Hunter was called in at once, and both the Turners are to-day getting along as well as could be expected. They will probably recover, though the wounds are serious.

Dr. Hunter was in town to-day, and said that the wounds of the Turners were very serious, and the bullets had not been located.

It is understood that an examination into McGinn's sanity will be made, as it is thought he is crazy.

Allowed to Amend Their Answer.

Yesterday Judge Purnell granted the motion made by Hon. Iredell Meares, of Wilmington, and Hon. the New Jersey Land and Lumber Company to amend their answer. This is the case of the State Board of Education against the above land and lumber company to recover certain swamp lands in the counties of Brunswick and Columbus.

Lawn Party.

A lawn party will be given next Tuesday night, September 21st, by the Literary Society of the Sacred Heart church on Hillsboro street. The lawn will be beautifully decorated, and delightful music will be rendered throughout the evening. Tickets entitling you to ice cream and cake are on sale at Bretsch's Bakery at 15 cents each. The public is most cordially invited.

Civil Service Examination.

A civil service examination will be held in the Federal court room to-morrow, beginning at 9 o'clock, for positions in the Revenue department. Several persons from surrounding towns have already arrived. The class this time will not be as large as the previous one.

Tyrell County Telephone Company.

The Secretary of State to-day issued letters of incorporation to the Tyrell County Telephone Company. The incorporators are I. S. Blaisdell, Charles Bateman, H. C. Walker, J. E. Alexander, R. A. Kohlos, M. Majette and D. O. Newberry.

After Tax-Payers.

Sheriff Jones has had his deputies busy all day posting up large bills notifying tax-payers that he is ready to receive payment for 1897 taxes.

Teachers' Salaries Reduced.

The salaries of the school teachers in Granville county have been cut down, and there is great dissatisfaction.

A Klondyke in North Carolina.

Mr. J. A. Rogers, who lives about six miles from Charlotte, found a nugget of gold on his plantation, which is said to have assayed \$147 worth of gold.

Negro Drowned.

Paul Adams, a colored ferryman at Weldon, was drowned night before last, while attempting to wade across the river.