

THE NEWS BY WIRE

To-Day's Happenings All Over the Country.

LAI D AT REST TO-DAY

MOTHER MCKINLEY TEMPORARILY BURIED.

Three Negroes Lynched and Three Others Nearly Whipped to Death--Dover Castle Threatened by Fire.

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 14.—Mother McKinley was temporarily buried under a mound of flowers this morning at the old McKinley homestead.

A cable message contained sympathy from President Faure and the people of France, also from United States Ambassadors abroad. Messages of condolence were also received from the foreign legations at Washington, the Governors of the States, Senators, Congressmen and Grand Army men. All the members of the cabinet, except Secretary Gage, arrived in Canton this morning to attend the funeral.

THREE NEGROES LYNCHED.

And Three Others Tied to a Tree and Nearly Whipped to Death.

By Telegraph to The Times.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 14.—Thomas Jones, Jim Lavigne, and another man, names unknown, all negroes, were hanged to one tree near St. Gabriel, early this morning. Three other negroes were tied to a tree and whipped nearly to death, and were ordered to leave town as fast as possible. George Bubur was murdered at St. Gabriel November 27th, and his store was robbed of considerable money. A few days later six negroes were accused, found guilty, and were on their way to New Orleans, when masked men, well armed, stopped the train six miles from here, demanded the men, and disappeared with them. Three men were found hanging to the same tree this morning.

ALABAMA SHIPS TO JAPAN.

Five Thousand Tons of Iron Goes to Yokohama, Europe Having Been Outbid.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 14.—The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company and the Sloss Iron and Steel Company yesterday shipped 5,000 tons of pig iron to Pensacola, from whence it will be forwarded to Kobe and Yokohama, Japan. A trial shipment of Alabama made to Japan several months ago gave such satisfaction that extensive orders are resulting, to-day's shipment being the first of a series. Japan heretofore was supplied by European furnaces, but Alabama has underbid them.

A STARTLING ASSIGNMENT.

A Retired Cincinnati Merchant's Strange Procedure.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 14.—One of the most startling assignments is that of Henry Probasco, made yesterday. Mr. Probasco has been retired from business for more than thirty years, and has been living in one of the most elegant and costly homes in the suburbs of Cincinnati. He has assigned to Seth C. Foster. The assets are put down at \$200,000, and the liabilities at \$100,000. No reason is given for the assignment. He is 77 years old.

BIG FIRE AT WILKESBARRE.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 14.—A large business portion of Duryea burned last night. Before the flames caught the large store of Simpson & Watkins a crowd of Polish miners began to loot it. They carried off thousands of dollars worth of goods. Several were severely hurt. Several other large buildings and five dwellings were destroyed. The fire started in Gerry Dill's livery stables.

LA TOURAINE IN DISTRESS.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Plymouth, England, Dec. 14.—The French line steamer La Touraine, Captain Santelli, from New York, December 4th, for Havre, which should have arrived there on Sunday, stopped off Lisard at 4 o'clock this morning, signalled was not under control.

WEYLER MAY BE TRIED.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Madrid, Dec. 14.—The newspapers here say that the Cuban Reformists, at the reopening of the Cortes, will demand the trial of General Weyler.

BANK FAILS.

By Telegraph to The Times.

Reno, Oklahoma, Dec. 14.—The Stock Exchange bank closed its doors this morning. Liabilities \$50,000; normal assets, \$70,000.

THOMAS HUSSEY'S WILL.

An Estate of \$60,000 in Dispute Among Alabama Relatives.

New York, Dec. 13.—The will of the late Thomas Hussey, of Montgomery, Ala., who was found on lower Broadway, in Brooklyn, on August 7th last, in an unconscious condition, with bonds and stocks in his possession worth \$55,000, is being contested before Surrogate Abbott, in Brooklyn. The contestants are Elizabeth Worrall, Lucretia Meadon, Wm. J. Ward and Shadrach Hussey. The first three named come from Montgomery, Ala.; Shadrach Hussey is from England. Thomas Hussey, after having been found, was taken to a hospital, where his condition was pronounced serious, owing to lack of food. A few days later the courts directed that Hussey, who was 70 years old, should be taken in charge by his grandnieces, Miss Harriet Mitchell and Mary Ann Donohue, of Brooklyn. Hussey died at the residence of his nieces on August 28th, after having been attended by Joseph M. Raub, Dr. Raub is executor of the will, which was drawn a day after Hussey's arrival at the residence of his nieces. An estate of \$60,000 was left by Hussey, to be divided into equal parts for the two grandnieces. Undue influence is charged by the contestants of the will. This is denied by the grandnieces, who insist that Mr. Hussey was not influenced in any way. Part of the estate is in real estate in Montgomery.

SCHOOL BOOKS IN VIRGINIA.

A Joint Resolution to Have Them Printed by the Commonwealth.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 13.—The most important measure in the State house of Delegates was the joint resolution of Mr. Folkes, providing for a committee of Senators and Delegates, who shall discuss with the superintendent of public printing the feasibility and advisability of having the text books used in the public schools of Virginia printed under the direction and management of the Commonwealth.

In the Senate, Mr. Flood introduced a bill to amend the pension act. The measure is designed to include in the list of those who shall receive pensions veterans of the war who are disabled and incapacitated for work by reason of disease, age or decrepitude. Under the existing act, only those soldiers who received wounds or lost a limb are entitled to pensions. There is a class who served gallantly in the war who do not come under the provisions of the law, and who are unable to work. It is the desire of Senator Flood to provide for them.

THE JUNTA'S POINT OF VIEW.

New York, Dec. 13.—At the Cuban Junta headquarters and from other sources here, it was learned that Sanguilly's loyalty to the Cuban cause had been under suspicion for some time, and that his reported action in offering his services unconditionally to General Blanco was by no means a surprise. Delegate Thomas Palma, however, speaking for publication, said that he could hardly believe that Sanguilly had capitulated, but that he did not attach much importance to the report, even if true. A Cuban merchant, prominent among the revolutionists in this city, said that Sanguilly was not likely ever to go again within the insurgent lines, and that whatever action he had taken would have no effect upon the insurgent leaders still in the field. General Sanguilly was in New York until about a week ago. It was said at the Junta that Senor Angulo, referred to in the dispatch, was not a member of the Cuban revolutionary junta, which consists of only four members. Senor Angulo, according to the same authority, is a Cuban lawyer and man of letters, who is one of the editors of a journal called Cuba, published in this city. This paper has been published in Spanish for the last three weeks. To-day it appeared in English. It is directed by Senor Escobar, formerly of La Discusion in Havana, and advocates the acceptance of the autonomy offered. It has no connection with the junta.

THE BICYCLE PRIZES.

A Shortage Found in the Track Which Will Somewhat Modify the Score.

New York, Dec. 13.—The winners of the six day bicycle race were to-day awarded their prizes. All the men except Hale were present. The awards were as follows:

Miller, \$1,800 and \$200 for beating Hale's record; Rice, \$800; Schinner, \$500; Hale, \$350; Weller, \$300; Pierce, \$200; Golden, \$150; Gannon, \$125; Emerton, \$100; Elkes, \$100; G. Riviere, \$75; Julius, Moore and Beacon, \$50 each; Gray and Johnson got nothing. Two affidavits were handed to the managers regarding the much discussed measurement of the bicycle track. Lloyd Collis, city surveyor, swore that he measured the track and found a shortage of 277.26 feet to the mile. His affidavit further states that the scores should be as follows:

Miller, 1,983 miles, 880 yards; Rice, 1,920 miles, 223 yards; Schinner, 1,895 miles, 1,237 yards; Hale, 1819 miles, 665 yards.

The other affidavit submitted by G. O. Rungli, city surveyor, confirmed this statement.

THE NEW HAYTIAN CABINET.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—Mr. Leger, Haytian minister to the United States, said last night that the new cabinet might still be considered Liberal in complexion, although not of so pronounced character as that which had just resigned.

SIZE OF THE WHEAT CROP.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The special wheat investigation instituted by the Department of Agriculture indicates a crop of five hundred and thirty million bushels. These figures are subject to slight modifications in the final report.

PARIS, DEC. 14.—

The government contemplates the suppression of newspapers which are alleged to be systematically inventing Dreyfus stories.

FARMERS NOT HURT

A Letter From Superintendent Weston

TO SECRET'Y NICHOLS

LOSES MONEY ON EXHIBITS AT THE FAIR.

The Biltmore Manager Desires Information as to the Sentiment of Farmers-- Letters from Exhibitors.

There have been a number of criticisms written in a few of the State papers, notably a Raleigh weekly, condemning the exhibits of larger farms at the State Fair and stating many things which have been denied by the management.

The lack of interest in the Fair taken as a rule by the papers which have most hotly fought the management, has to some degree caused the criticism and any one examining into the facts will see the injustice done the society.

There is no doubt that great good is done the exhibitors, as will be shown from the letters to Secretary Nichols.

Messrs. Raymond, C. & M. A. Griffin, of Anson county, who exhibited so many fine Berkshires at the recent State Fair, acknowledging the receipts of the premium forwarded them by the Secretary of the Fair, says: "We acknowledge the receipt of \$15 awarded us at the late State Fair, for which accept thanks.

"This was our first year at the State Fair, and it has been the best advertisement we ever made. We cannot near supply the demand for our Berkshires since we came back from the Fair.

We expect to be with you again next year with a far better exhibit than we had this year.

A letter received from the management of the Biltmore farm shows the attitude of Mr. Vanderbilt, and if it is the desire of the kickers to destroy the Fair they have gone on the right line, for as soon as exhibitors are driven away the Fair will be a complete failure.

The following extract from a letter which has been received by the Secretary is of interest to the public:

"I understand that there was some remarks made in a Raleigh paper about the Biltmore Farms' competing for premiums. I fail to see that it hurts the small farms in any way so long as we compete for stock and poultry premiums and the farm exhibit as a whole, however, I shall be glad if you will let me know the sentiment, as far as possible at Raleigh, as I rather prefer not to exhibit than to exhibit there, since we sell hardly any stock in this state, and we really lose money from the exhibition.

"Mr. Vanderbilt does not wish to exhibit from fear that he would be competing and hurting the small farmers. The only way I have secured permission to exhibit, was by telling him that our exhibit was, to some extent, an attraction at the Fair, and the Fair authorities desired it. Some time at your leisure I wish you would write me fully as to what you think about it."

FORMER RALEIGHITE DEAD.

Mr. John Armstrong, formerly of Raleigh, but for several years a resident of Columbia, South Carolina, died suddenly in that city this morning of heart failure.

Mr. Armstrong was for years a deacon of the First Baptist church of this city, and faithfully served that church until he left for the South.

Twenty years ago he was connected with the News and Observer, in the press department and afterwards was with some book printing firm here.

He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Annie E. Harris, of 416 South Wilmington street, and leaves one adopted daughter, Mrs. Canaday, of Johnston county.

THE HYPNOTISTS LAST NIGHT.

The Lees Did Remarkable Things to the Many Volunteer Subjects, Causing Many Prominent Men to Forget Names -- Hypnotized Man Who Will Sleep Forty-eight Hours.

The performance given by the Lees last night was indeed remarkable, and the entire audience, which filled every seat in the house and all standing room, was kept in a continuous roar from the moment Professor Lee finished his lecture until a member of the company was put to sleep on a cot and carried to the window of Sherwood, Higgs & Co., there to sleep for forty-eight hours.

At the beginning of the evening's entertainment, Professor Lee gave an interesting talk on hypnotism, its origin, growth and uses, bringing vividly before the minds of the audience the many excellent results from hypnotism used in the operating rooms of hospitals and sanitariums.

Soon he announced that he would be assisted by his niece, Miss Alberta Lee, who is said to be the youngest and smallest hypnotist in the world, and who, to the surprise of the entire house, was equally, if not more successful with her subjects than was Professor Lee.

A request for volunteer subjects was made, and the response was liberal, many of Raleigh's most prominent and successful business men going upon the stage.

Professor Lee explained to the volunteers just what would be expected of them, and in short order every subject which yielded his will and wished to be hypnotized was sleeping softly.

Men were not only put to sleep, but those who had never stammered took up that habit, some men forgot their names, youngsters who are always blustering forth their knowledge were rendered unable to talk, severe pain was felt when there was no apparent cause for it, and more remarkable things were shown from the Metropolitan stage last night than in a month before.

At the close of the performance, when that jolly fishing party had returned to their natural senses, Professor Lee, in the presence of several Raleigh physicians and the members of the press, hypnotized one of his company, placing him on a cot to sleep until Wednesday night, when he will be awakened during the performance. The cot was placed in the store window at Sherwood, Higgs & Co.'s, where, during the long hours of the night, curious people watched the sleeper.

Later, Professor Lee gave a private seance in the rooms of the Capital Club, which was greatly enjoyed by its members.

Until Friday, Professor Lee makes this offer: To give, free of charge, these private entertainments, anywhere in the city, if a party of twenty or twenty-five will signify their desire for the same.

Their engagement here is for six nights and Saturday matinee, "Standing room only" was hung upon the door last night.

HYPNOTIZED THIS MORNING.

Mayor Russ Engaged John Brown, Who Insulted a Gentleman at the Show Last Night, to Sleep 30 Days at the Work House.

Mayor Russ last night witnessed the Lees hypnotic exhibition and from the able manner in which he handled the offenders who were up in court this morning one would have judged he had recently absorbed the power for he was able to make his subjects appear quite as ridiculous as did the Lees last evening.

Jud. Clark appeared before the mayor, not as a volunteer subject, and was fined \$4.75 for disorderly conduct.

Ben. Syne, white, in a private seance drove quite reckless; in fact that candy man at the show could hardly have won in last night's race with Syne, yet the candy man was discharged last night with a free ticket, and Ben Syne got the privilege of paying \$3.25.

The next number on the program was the famous "Market causing act" by Sydney Jeffries, who paid over \$7.25 into the city treasury.

The mayor then, assisted by the chief of police, who is the youngest and smallest hypnotist of the two, had Peter Cobb tell about how he closed up the public well in Stronach's alley, near Glenham Valley, and then the mayor ordered him discharged upon payment of cost.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Important Happenings in and About the City

FOR BUSY READERS

INTERESTING EVENTS OF TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

What is Heard on the Streets and Jotted Down in Our Note-Book--Personal and Otherwise.

To-night the program at the Lee's hypnotic performance will be changed entirely.

The School Board to-day visited the new school for the colored, on West Lenoir street, and formally accepted the building.

H. Steinmetz's window of flowers, at Darnell & Thomas' Music House, is a beauty. He has cut flowers for sale at that store.

The news comes from Wilmington that Miss Maude Nixon, of this city, was seriously hurt by a reckless negro bike rider in that city Saturday.

The Postal Telegraph Company will move on Monday to their new home, in the Barbee building. Business will not be interrupted for one minute.

The baggage room at the depot is being repaired and a new floor of heavy timber has replaced the former one which was of too light timber.

Governor Russell has appointed Mr. Anson S. Taylor, of Washington, D. C., commissioner of affidavits for North Carolina, in the District of Columbia.

The joke is on a Raleigh deputy, who this morning left town to arrest an offender and left the warrant at the office of the justice of the peace.

One prisoner was brought to the penitentiary this morning from Forsythe county. He is a negro and killed his sweetheart by striking her on the neck with a stick.

In the morning, Saturday, at Newbern the oyster receipts amounted to over 5,000 bushels. Twenty-eight oyster schooners were unloading at the same time.

The Veteran Corps Band to-night will give one of the grandest concerts ever heard in this city. It is for a charitable purpose and the rain should not prevent your aiding so worthy an object.

Raleigh people greatly regret the loss of Mr. and Mrs. Tindal Cobb, who leave to-morrow, to make Charlotte their new home. Charlotte gets a good man and Raleigh loses a popular couple.

The engagement of the Eugenia Blair Company at the Academy of Music last evening was cancelled at 5 o'clock. The company has gone to Norfolk, where they appear three nights.

Last night, after the Lee's performance, a large crowd saw the sleeping man placed in Sherwood, Higgs & Co.'s window. All night men watched the sleeping man, and this morning great crowds have stood about the window throughout the entire day.

Governor Russell this morning appointed Hon. W. R. Caphart, of Aycock; G. N. Ives, of Newbern, and Mr. W. H. Smith, of Goldsboro, as delegates to the National Fishery Congress, to be held at Tampa, Fla., on the 19th of January, 1898.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Horne, Mr. Charles Horne, Dr. James McKee, Dr. W. A. Royster and Miss Meecham, arrived in Raleigh yesterday on a special car, bringing Cadet Horne here from Oxford, where he has been so dangerously sick with typhoid fever. Cadet Horne, at 3:30 this afternoon, was reported as about the same, no change having taken place since yesterday. He stood the trip splendidly.

TO-MORROW'S MARRIAGES.

Three Prominent North Carolina Women Will To-morrow be Married in Raleigh, Durham and Charlotte--All of Them Well Known Here--Miss Pescud to Wed.

To-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence of Mr. John S. Pescud, on North Person street, his daughter, Miss Mary Wilson Pescud, will be united in marriage to Mr. Percy P. Lynch, of New Orleans.

Miss Pescud is one of Raleigh's most highly esteemed women and her friends here will greatly regret their loss.

Mr. Lynch is a successful business man from Louisiana and receives the congratulations of every one in this city who knows Miss Pescud.

To-morrow night in Charlotte Miss Carrie Maie Dockery will be married to Mr. Frank O. Landis, of Oxford.

VETERAN MINISTER DEAD.

Rev. Joseph B. Martin, of the North Carolina Conference, Expires Near Danville.

Rev. Joseph B. Martin, one of the oldest ministers of the North Carolina Methodist Episcopal conference, died at 6 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of his brother, a few miles from this city; aged 73 years. The deceased was introduced to the recent Virginia conference here as a visitor, was taken ill in Danville while conference was in session, and since then had been confined to bed at his brother's home. About a week ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis, which eventually resulted in his death.

Joseph B. Martin was one of eleven children, ten boys and one girl, born to the late Jesse Graves Martin, of Henry county, and of the four sons who became ministers of the gospel he was one of two who preached the doctrine of the Methodist church, one of the others affiliating with the Primitive Baptist faith and the remaining preacher or son entering the ministry of the Presbyterian church.

Of the eleven brothers and sisters only four survive--Patrick Martin of this county, Calvin Martin of Franklin county, Va., Jesse Martin of Kentucky, and Mrs. George Richardson, of Henry county, Va.

The deceased brother would have celebrated his 74th anniversary had he lived until the 1st of next March. In 1845 he joined the North Carolina conference, and for forty-seven years he had faithfully discharged the responsible and solemn obligations of the high office of a minister of the Christian religion. The conference records of the North Carolina Methodist will show that under his long ministry thousands of sinners professed saving faith in the Master, whom he served so eloquently.

In the last few weeks of earthly existence, with the sunniness higher constantly in his ear, he was calm and resigned, taking the full comfort of the messages of hope in the Blessed Book. The end came painlessly, and the windows at the bedside will never know when time with their loved one ceased and eternity began.

A wife and seven children mourn his death.

The remains of the late Mr. Martin will be carried to Chapel Hill, N. C., his home, where the interment will be made.--Danville Register.

THE VETERAN CORPS BAND.

It Will be at the Academy of Music Here To-night.

It is rarely that the music-loving people of Raleigh have an opportunity of having a first class band in their midst. The Raleigh Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, has secured the services of this magnificent band, and it will give one of its eloquent concerts in this city to-night. It will be an opportunity to enjoy good music that should not be missed. This band has given concerts in Richmond, Danville, Lynchburg and Greensboro, and is everywhere spoken of in the highest terms.

The proceeds of this concert will be divided between the Jefferson Davis Memorial Fund and the L. O. B. Branch Camp Confederate Veterans.

Tickets will be on sale at King's drug store. The prices of admission are 50 cents general admission and 25 cents for the gallery. No extra charge for reserved seats.

THE PROGRAMME IS AS FOLLOWS:

- PART I.
 1. March.....Maryland and Dixie Arranged by Pineda.
 2. Soprano Solo, Waltz Song...Pattison By Miss A. J. Henrix.
 3. Overture--William Tell.....Rossini
 4. Cornet Solo.....(Selected.) By Miss Daisy Ogden.
 5. "Village Life in the Olden Times." Synopsist: Night. Rooster crowing. A stir in the village. Children going to school. Blacksmith's shop. May pole dance. Village choir. Finale. By Volkler.
- PART II.
 1. II Trovatore.....Verdi
 2. Baritone.....(Selected.) By G. Novak.
 3. Guns of Stephen Foster.....Tobani
 4. Soprano Solo--"Love's Story".....Shelley By Miss A. J. Henrix.
 5. Selections Sobasco.....Chadwick
 6. Cornet Solo.....(Selected.) By Miss Daisy Ogden.
 7. El Capitan.....Souss

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The Obenthalm Estate Sold for Division Among the Heirs at Law.

The following real estate in the city of Raleigh was sold at public auction at the court house door yesterday at noon:

Lot, corner Cabarrus and Swain streets, bought by W. H. Overby for \$285.

Lot, corner of Martin and Swain streets, bought by W. A. Farham for \$1,950.

Lot, corner of Cabarrus and Smith streets, bought by W. A. Farham for \$185.

Lot on west side of Smith street, between Cabarrus and Davis, bought by F. K. Ellington for \$180.

All these lots had dwellings on them and belonged to the estate of the late B. F. Obenthalm. They were sold for partition among his heirs at law.

BURIED IN OAKWOOD.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. S. Lindsay deeply sympathize with them in the loss of their sweet little baby, who died Saturday morning last and was buried in Oakwood cemetery yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the annual meeting of the William G. Hill Lodge, No. 218, last night, officers were elected as follows: A. I. Baker, W. M.; D. S. Hamilton, S. W.; Will Harding, J. W.; J. A. Briggs, treasurer; Nat L. Brown, secretary.