

## THE NEWS BY WIRE

### To-Day's Happenings All Over the Country.

### TO BUY DRUMMOND CO.

### JAMES B. DUKE IN ST. LOUIS IN INTEREST OF TRUST.

### Contractors Left New York for Nicaragua--Women Burned to Death--Baseball Magnate Byrne Worse.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
St. Louis, Dec. 30.—James B. Duke, of the American Tobacco Company, is here with several companions. There are rumors of so called trust seeking to enlarge its business by buying out local competitors. Since the death of James C. Drummond and John E. Liggett the trusts' chances of buying these two large plants have improved.

### SHOT HIS LANDLADY.

Richmond Shipbuilder Not Having \$7.50 Shot Some People and Suicided.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Camden, N. J., Dec. 30.—Eton Johnson, aged 22 years, last night attempted to murder Ernest Fellows and Mrs. Fellows, and their 13-year-old son Frank by shooting them at their home, 226 Erie street. He dangerously wounded Fellows and inflicted a slight wound in the boy's thigh and a flesh wound on Mrs. Fellows. Johnson then shot himself, dying instantly.

Johnson, who was a ship carpenter, came here from Richmond, Va., about five months ago and boarded with the Fellows' family, to whom he was related. He fell in arrears for his board and last night, it is said, was ordered from the house. While the family was at supper he came for his trunk, but was told he could not have it until he paid his back board, amounting to \$7.50. Then he drew a pistol and fired at Fellows, the ball taking effect in the neck close to the spinal column. Mrs. Fellows ran screaming to the yard. Johnson followed and fired, the shot glancing along her side. He next turned on the boy who was calling for help and shot him in the thigh. After firing another shot at Fellows, which went wide, he killed himself.

### UNDER ENGLISH CONTROL.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
New York, Dec. 30.—An English syndicate has secured control of the Trinidad Asphalt Company and after the first of the year the headquarters of the concern are to be located in London instead of in this city as heretofore. The reorganization of the company to admit the English capital was effected at a meeting of directors and stockholders that was held in this city yesterday. The capital of the company, under the reorganization is to be increased from \$3,500,000 to \$5,000,000. Recently American paving companies have been doing business in the United Kingdom in competition with the paving companies there. The company's supply of asphalt comes from the island of Trinidad.

### DETECTIVES STILL WORKING.

Important Facts in Connection With Death of Peter Doggett.  
By Telegraph to The Times.  
London, Dec. 30.—Inspector Corry, of the Scotland Yard Detective Department, is making inquiries at Old Castle, county Meath, Ireland, in connection with the death of Peter Doggett, who was cut to pieces in a dough-mixing machine in New York city last August. An important arrest is expected in a few days.

### ANOTHER \$100,000 FIRE.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 30.—The overturning of a lamp for heating glue in the Whitney's planing mills last night caused a fire with a hundred thousand dollars loss. Four residences, skating rink, Episcopal church and a hardware store were also burned. Besides W. G. Wright's valuable natural history collection.

### NICARAGUA CANAL.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
New York, Dec. 30.—Fourteen capitalists, contractors and engineers left here at noon today for a trip to Nicaragua aboard the steamship Finance. The party will look over the ground with a view to solving the question of the construction of the Nicaragua canal and will try to secure funds for that purpose and undertake the work independently of the government.

### KILLED BY HOUSE COLLAPSE.

Horrible Accident in Washington, D. C., Yesterday Afternoon.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—The collapse of an old ware house building being remodeled for a residence at No. 303 B street, about 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon caused the death of one workman and serious injury to several others.

Dead.—C. C. Hessler, brick-layer, 45 years old, neck dislocated.  
Injured—Thomas Carroll, severe injuries about head and body; John Kirby, carpenter, shoulder and ankle crushed; Gus Williams, colored, hod carrier, slight internal injuries; J. F. Jones, carpenter, slight injuries.  
Joists were being taken out preparatory to raising the floor and the crash came without warning burying all the men under the debris.

### MURDER IN NORFOLK.

Edward Mason, in a Row, Shot and Killed Eva Dixon.  
By Telegraph to The Times.  
Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30.—Edward Mason, having separated from his first wife, married Eva Dixon, a woman of the town. The latter, discovering that Mason was married, refused him admittance to her rooms. Mason, half drunk, forced his way into the house at 9 o'clock last night and after a row, shot the woman through the abdomen, wounding her fatally, it is thought. She was taken to the hospital and operated on.

### HORRIBLE EXPLOSION.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 30.—A one hundred horse power boiler in No. 2 mill, of the Griswoldville Manufacturing Company at Griswoldville, town of Colrain, exploded about 7:30 o'clock last night. The night watchman and fireman Frederick Schieffler, 45 years old, is missing, and is supposed to be buried beneath the ruins.  
The explosion was a terrific one, and practically demolished the one and one-half story brick building 50x40 in area, used jointly as a boiler room, common shed, blacksmith shop and machine room.

### OUR TROOPS MAY PASS.

Pouncefote Sends Word to That Effect to Mr. Sherman.  
By Telegraph to The Times.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—Sir Julian Pouncefote, the British ambassador sent an official communication yesterday to the Secretary of State announcing that the British government will permit the detachment of the United States army, accompanying the government expedition to cross the British territory in making the trip. The detachment will be accompanied by a representative of the Canadian government as an escort while passing over British soil.

### WIDOW BURNED TO DEATH.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Bordentown, N. J., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Anna Fowler, an aged widow, was burned to death at her home this morning. The stair case was afire, and she was afraid to jump from the window into the hands of rescuers.

### STEAMSHIPS TO SHANGHAI.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
London, Dec. 30.—According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, the British admiralty has requisitioned three of the Empress's steamships, belonging to the Canadian Pacific Railway company.

### TO DIE IN THE CHAIR.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—Frank Early, the negro who murdered his mistress and killed his wife last August, was today sentenced to be electrocuted on April fourteenth next.

### CADET FOY DEAD.

Popular A. and M. Student Accidently Shot Christmas Day.  
Doster Foy, a student of the A. and M. College, was accidentally shot at his home Christmas by a young friend by the name of George Smith. He was taken to the hospital in Wilmington where an operation was performed and Doctors think he will recover. He is a son of F. M. Foy, of Scott's Hill, and nephew of J. W. Foy, of Raleigh.

### TO REBUILD COLISEUM.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Chicago, Dec. 30.—The directors of the Chicago Exposition Company today decided to rebuild the Coliseum fire proof, and as large as the original site.

## TOOK HER OWN LIFE

### Miss Blake of Raleigh Shoots Herself

### AT WILMINGTON, N. C.

### LEFT RALEIGH TWO YEARS AGO BUT WISHED TO RETURN.

### News Reached Here Today--Her Father Wired Authorities to Bury Her in Wilmington and Send Details.

Nettie Blake suicided last night. The deed was done in Wilmington, and early this morning the Coroner of Wilmington notified Chief of Police Norwood, of this city that the deed had been committed. The news as it reached the Chief of Police did not give any details or circumstances, but it was learned later in the day that the girl's life had for the past two years been a little too fast for her and she couldn't keep the pace.

Nettie Blake was born here in Raleigh twenty years ago and was educated in the Centennial and Murphy Schools, given all that her father could afford at home and everything was done for her pleasure.

Two years and three months ago she became tired of home life and left Raleigh going direct to Wilmington, where she had since continuously resided.

Several months ago the news came to Raleigh that she would soon return and make her home with her own family and it is a well known fact that she wrote her father asking for permission to return to the home in this city.

Her father either ignored the letter or gave her a negative reply and as the woman's life recently had been one of great disappointment she last night lost control of herself and during a spell of melancholia sent her life into eternity.

Her father works with Allen and Nichols on South Market street and the Blake home is near the corner of West and Johnston streets.  
Chief Police Norwood gave the telegram to the girl's father to-day and the latter wired the authorities in Wilmington to bury the body at that town and send the particulars of the suicide to him in this city. She was considered one of the handsomest women in Raleigh and was until she wandered from home popular with a large circle of friends.  
The body was interred in Wilmington this afternoon.

### MURDERED THE TREASURER.

### Then Riddled the County Safe of Its Contents.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Indianapolis, Dec. 30.—James Kinsley, Treasurer of Wells county, was found dead in his office at Bluffton this morning with a bullet in his brain. The county safe was riddled of its contents. A large sum of money disappeared. Great excitement prevails throughout the town. Detectives from here are working on the case. It is believed that the burglars murdered Kinsley.

### OFF FOR JOHNS HOPKINS.

### Mrs. Albert Watson Left For the Baltimore Hospital.

Every man, woman and child, who has a heart and loves beauty, cannot help thinking tonight of that lovely little woman who was so tenderly placed on the Seaboard northbound train this morning and who felt so snug in that Pullman car, where everything was done for her comfort and pleasure.

The woman was Mrs. Albert Watson, and Mr. James I. Johnson and Dr. Godwin looked after her in the kindest manner, while the beautiful little sick woman was being nursed by a vigilant mother, ever present, about and doing for her mother.

Every one in Raleigh wishes the best of success in the operation to be performed tomorrow and hopes Mrs. Watson will soon be home and well again.

## SUPERVISORS MEET.

### State Superintendent Mebane Chairman

### J. R. RODWELL SEC'Y.

### REV. R. W. NORRIS, OF WAKE, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

### A Large Attendance of Educators--Dr. Alderman and Lieut. Gov. Reynolds Make Short Talks.

In response to a call from Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chas. H. Mebane, a meeting of Supervisors of public schools met yesterday at 11 o'clock in the hall of the House of Representatives. Among those in attendance were D. L. Ellis, of Buncombe; J. D. Reade, of Catawba; R. S. Green, Jr., of Davidson; Alex. Baker, of Granville; J. H. Painter, of Jackson; Ira T. Turlington, of Johnston; E. A. Simpkins, of Lenoir; H. A. Gray, of Mecklenburg; J. M. Deaton, of Montgomery; E. M. Cole, of Moore; M. C. S. Noble, New Hanover; A. W. Cooper, of Onslow; J. K. Singie, Pitt; M. N. Melver, Richmond; W. R. Surles, Robeson; E. P. Ellington, Rockingham; Street Brewer, Sampson; A. M. Matees, Vance; H. W. Norris, Wake; J. R. Rodwell, Warren; E. T. Atkinson, Wayne; James W. Hayes, Wilson. In addition to these there were a large number of ladies and gentlemen present who are interested in public school work.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. E. C. Glenn, pastor of Central Methodist church. Rev. H. W. Norris, of Wake, called the meeting to order and named as chairman of the meeting Prof. Chas. H. Mebane. Mr. Mebane in taking the chair named Mr. J. R. Rodwell, of Warren county as secretary. In suggesting Mr. Rodwell, Chairman Mebane said that he was not only a supervisor, but a number of the press and he took occasion to pay a very high compliment to the press of the State for its effort in behalf of public education. He wanted it understood that the object of the meeting was not to invite spread eagle oratory, but to get together in a practical organization for practical and effective work. A committee was appointed on motion of Prof. D. L. Ellis, on permanent organization, the following was the committee, D. L. Ellis, M. C. S. Noble and H. A. Gray. Chairman Mebane read an invitation from the private Secretary, J. E. Alexander, conveying an invitation from Governor and Mrs. Russell to the supervisors to visit the Mansion from 5:30 to 6:30 this afternoon. A resolution was passed accepting the invitation and thanking His Excellency and Mrs. Russell for their kind remembrance of the supervisors.

The first subject proposed for discussion was "Organization of Supervisors Association." This was responded in a short interesting talk by Prof. H. W. Norris, of Wake.

Under the head of general discussion, Dr. Alderman, of the University, was invited to address the meeting. After throwing out some general thoughts on the importance of public school education, Dr. Alderman said that the best way to establish in the minds of a community the great importance of public school education was a good school in that community in charge of a devoted patient and untiring teacher. The teacher is becoming to be a power, there was a time when the teacher--the school master was so distinctive in peculiarity of make-up that he Dickens, the Washington, Irvings, and other literatures caricatured him with glasses on his nose and with other school-master characteristics, now the school teacher has an economic, a social, a business and a political function in life, and now he is being reckoned with and consulted with. In North Carolina not long ago when it was found that there was some public school money in the Treasury, the idea was for somebody to come along and teach it out. The permanent idea was not to teach education into the children's minds, but to teach the money out of the Treasury. This has all changed or is changing. The teacher is and ought to be prepared to teach. They are being prepared, and are preparing themselves, if you want power you must prepare for it, the poorest teacher is the one that locks the door one evening and did not about the school till the next morning. Thomas Arnold wanted his boy to drink from a running fountain and not from a stagnant pool. "He died learning" is on the tomb of Sir Richard Green. When the right kind of a teacher dies this would be an appropriate inscription, "He died learning."

Professional preparation is necessary. Books can be had in this day and time for mere songs. The Superintendent of Public Instruction should prepare and

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### PARKER-BROUGHTON.

### Lovely Home Wedding at Mr. H. N. Parker's, Near Garner.

At one o'clock yesterday afternoon five miles south of this city at the home of Mr. H. N. Parker, near Garner, there was a lovely home wedding celebrated. His daughter, Miss Mary W. Parker, was wedded to Mr. John F. Broughton, son of Mr. John T. Broughton, in the presence of a few relatives and intimate friends. On account of the recent death of Mr. Broughton's sister, the wedding was a very quiet one. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. A. M. Simms, of this city.

The bride is a most lovable young woman, possessing many excellent traits of character. She is a sister of Mr. Charles J. Parker, Secretary of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly.

Mr. Broughton is one of the county's best and most prosperous young farmers. He has many friends and relatives in this city.

### ALMOST A LYNCHING.

### Mob, Unluckily for Them, Out Witted by Police.

By Telegraph to The Times.  
Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 30.—Louis Pike and Oliver Roberts, both white, of Brookwood, were lodged in the county jail here today charged with attempting assault on Miss Kate Henden on Christmas night. A mob formed at Brookwood to lynch the prisoners, but the police outwitted it by disguising the young men as mountaineers. The mob discovered the stratagem this morning. Lynching may occur before night.

### MR. MONTAGUE RESIGNS.

### Another Able Man Leaves the Blind Institution's Board of Directors.

Last night Mr. B. F. Montague confirmed the rumor that he had resigned from the Board of Directors of the State Institution for the Blind.

This is the fourth resignation and the deplorable side of this is that the best men are the ones resigning.

The first resignation was that of Mr. Kemp Merritt; next came Mr. James A. Briggs; then President Meserve, and last Mr. B. F. Montague. Mr. Montague sent in his resignation on the 22nd, but it was not until yesterday that it was generally known.

Asked last night his reasons for his action, he said: "Well, I saw that my usefulness on the board was at an end. Being so unfortunate as to be in the minority, nothing I could say or do counted for anything. Being a figure-head and knowing that I was in part held responsible for the management of an institution in whose affairs I had no voice, I sent my resignation to the Governor."

Mr. Montague has been a director of the institution for seven years, and for the past four years, as chairman of the board, has had the active control of the institution's affairs. His resignation will be a great loss to the blind children of the State.

### THE GERMAN LAST NIGHT.

### Euphrosyne Club Fittingly Closed the Dancing Season of 1897.

The German last night in the ball room of the Euphrosyne German Club was the last of the season and the dances during the New Year will have to do the club's most sanguine expectations if they have a more enjoyable evening.

Twenty couples of Raleigh's most charming young people and lovely visitors graced the occasion, which was enjoyed until a late hour.

The german was led by Mr. William West with Miss Gaskin, of Kentucky. The following couples participated: Mr. William West with Miss Gaskin, of Kentucky; Mr. Thomas Simpson with Miss Davis, of Texas; Mr. Dalen Stronach with Miss Allie Chilton, of Memphis, Tenn.; Mr. John West with Miss Sara Newsome, of Memphis, Tenn.; Mr. Garwin with Miss Ethel Stronach; Mr. Stanley Faison with Miss Ethel Norris; Mr. Sloan with Miss Helen Primrose; Mr. George Syme with Miss Fannie Cameron; Mr. Harry Lee with Miss Hal Morson; Mr. George Kendrick with Miss Adelaide Snow; Mr. Ramseur with Miss Mary Seaton Hay; Mr. William Smith with Miss Eliza Busbee; Mr. Jones Fuller with Miss Mattie Pace; Mr. Hugh Kendrick with Miss Frances Hoke; Mr. William Moncure with Miss Lucy West; Mr. Duncan Cameron with Miss Theodore Marshall; Mr. John McKee with Miss Mande Bealle; Mr. Sandy McGeachy with Miss Jessie Carroll; Mr. June Grimes with Miss Mamie Norris.

Stags--Messrs. Charles Greer, Brown Shepherd, H. Thompson, R. H. Lewis, Jr., James McKee, M. Parker, Murray Allen, Alfred Thompson, W. N. H. Smith, Fred O. Olds, Andrew Syme. Chaperone--Mrs. Norris.

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

### Chas Hunt Came Near Being Killed

### AT THE PILOT MILLS

### FATHERLESS BOY STRUCK BY 2,000 POUND SHAFTING.

### Drs. Jones and Buffalo Called in--George Hunt also Hurt--Both Resting Easier at 3 o'clock.

A 2,000 pound shafting while in motion on the second floor of the Cotton Pilot mills this morning, fell with a crash and as a result one boy narrowly escaped death, and another is badly hurt. The injured are:

CHARLES HUNT, right side of head crushed by fall of shafting, had cut on top of head and arm badly bruised, as is also back. Knee hurt badly.

GEORGE HUNT--Gash in left side of head, face bruised; not seriously hurt. Early this morning the two boys went to their work feeling better than for some time past, so little George said this afternoon to the Times' reporter, and they were looking forward to the hour's rest from 12 to 1 o'clock.

While at work on the second floor in the department where Mr. Bennett is foreman, someone screamed "look out," but before the two boys could take another step the great 2,000 pound shaft had fallen, the wheel was running about on the floor, and the great belt which moves thousands of spindles in the great Pilot mills had fallen about Charles Hunt and bound him powerless to the floor. Friends rushed to his aid. Foreman Bennett, in a second's time, stopped the machinery and in a few minutes the little workman was taken from the rubbish and placed under the care of Drs. Jones and Buffalo.

George Hunt had received his injuries from the belt which struck him on the left side of the head, but the youngster made a lucky jump to the right and escaped serious injury.

The boys live with their uncle, Mr. Allen, who is also in the employ of the Pilot Mills. Their mother lives with them and they are her main support.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock George Hunt was out in the yard, and will probably be able to go back to his work next week, but inside the home is a sad scene.

The widowed mother watching and tenderly caring for her injured son. Charles Hunt's injuries may not prove as serious as was at first expected, but as there is danger of discovering internal injury, quiet is ordered by the physicians and the most careful nursing will be given the boy.

### DECLINE RAILROAD PASSES.

### The New Commissioners Yesterday Adopted a New Resolution.

Late yesterday afternoon the new Railroad Commissioners met and began their labors with Mr. Caldwell as chairman. The most important act on the part of the Commissioners was when they passed the following resolution:

"Whereas, by section 4 of the Railroad Commission Act, ratified March 5th, 1891, it is made unlawful for any railroad to make or give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular person in any respect whatsoever, in any matter of transportation, to the prejudice or disadvantage of any other person in any respect whatsoever, and, whereas, said Act, according to the construction of the courts, prohibits the collecting or receiving from any person a greater or less compensation for any service rendered in the transportation of passengers or property than it demands or collects or receives, from any other person for a like service under substantially similar circumstances and conditions, and, whereas, said Act prohibits any discrimination whatever between individuals, firms, companies or corporations, in the matter of passenger or freight service, and commands equality as to all, subject to certain exceptions particularly set forth in section 25 of said Act, and, whereas, said Act has been judicially interpreted to prohibit what is known as "dead head" or "free passes" subject to the exceptions aforesaid,

"It is therefore resolved that this Commission will take whatever measures may be lawful to enforce the aforesaid provisions of said Act, and to enforce the penalties therein prescribed for its violation.

"It is further ordered that the clerk of said board give due notice of this resolution to all railroads doing business in this State, by transmitting a copy of this resolution to the managing officers of the railroads of the State."