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## NEWS SUMMARY.

### FROM ALL OVER THE SOUTHLAND.

#### Accidents, Calamities, Pleasant News and Notes of Industry.

#### VIRGINIA.

A large party went from Roanoke to the Blue Ridge Springs Saturday night to serenade Governor McKinney.

Barrow is a newly laid out town in Prince William county, 28 miles south of Washington city. The confluence of the Quantico creek with the Patomac river has given the town site the shape of an opossum's nose. Ship building and steel works are the industries promised for Barrow.

Craig and Tazewell counties have sent an unbroken delegation to the district congressional convention of the Ninth district in favor of the re-nomination of Hon. John A. Buchanan.

The administrator of Joseph J. Kelly, the young Baltimorean who was run over and killed by the cars at Roanoke several weeks ago, has brought suit against the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company for \$10,000 damages.

The Committee of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce appointed to solicit subscriptions for buying a \$60,000 lot for a seven-story building for the organization reported that they have received pledges amounting to \$32,000, which probably guarantees the success of the enterprise. Committees were appointed to confer with the Grain and Cotton exchange with regard to their occupying the building with the Chamber.

The Business Men's Association of Norfolk, has undertaken a practical move. They have secured the services of a man with a large Northern acquaintance, who goes North and makes a town-to-town canvass in New England and New York, laying before people the advantages of Norfolk, the purpose being to secure industries, encourage excursions and in every way advance the interests of the town.

Colonel E. B. Barksdale, of Danville, announces himself an independent Republican candidate for Congress. He declares he will have nothing to do with any conventions, but he will ride his own horse and crack his own whip. He says he stands squarely by Mahone, who, he declares, has more brains and capital than all the kickers.

The contracts for the new church to be erected by the Grace Street Baptist congregation, Richmond, on the site of the old building, were awarded. It will cost \$55,000, building in the Norman style of architecture.

There is great activity in real estate in Bedford City, and it is said that the sales during the last few weeks aggregate \$300,000 worth.

#### NORTH CAROLINA.

On Saturday, at Shull's Mill, Watauga county, Capt. Walter W. Lenoir died, aged about 60 years.

Governor Fowle revoked the commission by which he ordered Judge Spier Whitaker to hold Stokes Superior Court in place of Judge Shipp, deceased, and appointed Hon. M. L. McCorkle, of Catawba, judge of Eleventh district to succeed Judge Shipp.

The trustees elected Prof. John F. Lameron, of Missouri, to the professorship of physics at Wake Forest College. Professor Lameron is now president of the Baptist College at Pierce City, Mo., and has held several prominent professorships in various colleges.

Rev. J. M. Hilyar, for six years pastor of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at Durham, has tendered his resignation and accepted a call in Texas.

The Wilkesboro road has been leased by the Richmond and Danville system for a period of ninety-nine years. Some of the largest stockholders of the new road are said to be much opposed to the lease.

The Register of Deeds of Forsyth county announces that the returns are larger by a million and a half than for the previous year.

A normal institute for the instruction of negro teachers was in session at Greensboro for some days. The enrollment was over one hundred. It was organized and conducted by white educators of the Quaker Church.

A thirteen year-old son of Rev. William Phillips, who lives at Mount Airy, accidentally shot and killed himself with a gun. The load entered his breast, and death seemed to have been instant.

Miss Mary Murrow died at the home of her father, in the southern part of Guilford county, of paralysis, said to have been induced by acute sorrow over the death of her brother, Eugene Murrow, who died of fever and injuries received several weeks ago while on a raid with a party of revenue officers after illicit distillers. Miss Murrow has been an excellent educator, having taught a number of years in the Greensboro city schools.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA.

Edward Willis, of Charleston, has been appointed special agent of the census bureau to collect manufactory statistics of Charleston.

There is great dissatisfaction among the employees of the Three C's Road because they have not received any wages in three months. The cause of the wages remaining unpaid is not known, but it is attributed by some to be the bond route, which the road has had, townships carrying the payment of subscribed bonds into Courts.

A commission was issued for the organization of the Sumter Ice Manufacturing Company of Sumter, whose general purpose will be to manufacture ice and operate a "cold storage war house."

A charter has been granted to the Marion Wharf and Storage Company, of Charleston.

W. J. Keel, of Rocky Spring township, in Aiken county, on Monday killed a sturgeon or some other fresh water monster in Cedar Creek that measured 5 feet 10 inches in length and weighed seventy pounds.

Peter Roof, a very old negro, Friday morning murdered Isaac Lockner, his son-in-law, near Columbia. The old man surrendered to the sheriff. Peter says he was aiming his gun at Lockner in sport when it was discharged accidentally and killed him. The coroner's jury found a verdict of cold-blooded murder. The old man objected strongly to being locked up, thinking it unjust treatment. He wanted to go home and work his crop.

The East shore Terminal Railroad Company is gradually absorbing a good deal of the east side wharf property at Charleston. It has now purchased Kerr's wharf for \$18,000. This makes seven wharves that have passed into the possession of the company since it secured the franchise to construct a belt line. Counting the franchises and cotton press property already acquired, the company now owns upwards of \$800,000 worth of property in the city. It is stated, however, that they paid only \$118,000 for the seven wharves now owned by it. All these wharves are below the Union wharf property, and their acquisition is taken as an indication that the Terminal people propose to build their belt line along the entire east water front, with sidetracks on every pier from the great railroad depot to the battery.

#### TENNESSEE.

A Memphis special says: The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company have mortgaged the entire system to the Central Trust Company of New York for \$75,000,000.

William H. McClean, one of the best known business men in the city of Nashville and a member of the wholesale grocery firm of McClean, Jackson & Co., dropped dead suddenly.

Editor Wright, of the *Marion County Record*, of South Pittsburg, Tenn., while enroute for home, was assaulted at Bridgeport, Ala., by Joe Hill a brakeman on the Nashville and Chattanooga road, and beaten with a coupling or club. Wright is seriously injured, one arm being broken, a shoulder dislocated and other hurts being received. This attack comes as the result of a previous quarrel and personal article in the *Record*, Wright's paper. Hill was not arrested.

A large amount of building going on at Greenville. A fine hotel is under way; a large leaf tobacco factory is to be built, and one already established is to be enlarged; two new business blocks are going up; fifteen or more new residences are in various stages of completion, and a number of new buildings have already been completed.

Harriman and Rockwood, are now connected by telephone. The Genesis and Obed River Telephone Co. has just completed its line between those two points.

Dyersburg has decided by popular vote to subscribe \$35,000 to the Birmingham, Jackson & Kansas City Railroad Co. to secure the building of that road.

A force of men is busy on the excavations for Furnace No. 1 at Cardiff, Tenn. This furnace will be 16 feet high, 75 feet high, wrought-iron shell and mounted on eight columns. There will be three firebrick stoves 10 feet in diameter and 70 feet high, of the latest modifications, of the Siemens Cowper-Cochrane stove, capable of heating 22,000 cubic feet of air to 1,500 degrees. There will be two blowing engines with blowing cylinder 2 feet in diameter and 5 feet stroke, developing about 900 horse power, to supply the blast for the furnace.

This furnace will be very nearly like the Anniston, Ala., furnace and the same size as the famous Thomas furnace in Birmingham. There will be five sets of boilers, capable of developing 1,300 horse-power.

#### GEORGIA.

Gamilla is talking about building a railroad westward to Cheertown on Flint river, twenty miles above Bainbridge.

Five Georgia mills are engaged in making cotton bugging to cover Georgia's cotton crop this fall.

During the month of July, there were shipped from Adele twenty-eight carloads of naval stores, twenty-seven carloads of lumber, one carload of melons, and three carloads of live stock. During the same time there were received 185,359 pounds of merchandise.

Mrs. Kennedy, living about three miles from Tennille, was bitten by a rattlesnake. She accidentally stepped on the snake and was bitten on the foot. A physician was immediately summoned, and medical aid rendered. She is out of danger.

Bainbridge's cotton compress is going up with a rush and will be ready for business by September 1st.

Before the end of another summer, Bainbridge will have a guano factory and cotton seed oil mill. A cotton compress, ice factory, electric light plant and an \$6,000 brick academy in one summer is doing pretty well.

There is a 100 acre tomatto farm near Griffin.

Martha Wardlaw, an old negro woman, died at Augusta from neglect and for want of food.

On last Friday Professor Swanson, of the Dawesville high school took occasion to correct a son of R. E. Burt. Mr. Burt's learning of this went to Swanson's home and he stopped at the town authorities, and on Saturday Burt was brought before Mayor Howser, who required him to pay a small fine, and also to give bond to answer in the superior court. Upon this Burt became very much enraged, and struck the mayor with an open knife, inflicting an ugly wound in his shoulder. Others interfered and separated them. Dr. Thompson was summoned, and dressed the wound. Burt has not yet been arrested.

#### OTHER STATES.

Three Cuban officers came over to Key West, Fla., to carry back to Cuba a man who was extraditable, and they were surrounded by a mob of resident Cubans, who threatened their lives.

The steamship Franconia was wrecked at the entrance of Fernandez harbor, caught on fire and burned to the water's edge.

The Cumberland Gap and Mississippi Valley railroad stock was subscribed for in Hopkinsville, Ky. The line will run from Columbus, Miss., through Hopkinsville, to Cumberland Gap.

## RAILROAD AND INDUSTRIAL NEWS.

The first annual meeting of the Columbia, Newberry & Laurens Railroad Co. was recently held in Charleston, S. C. Mr. W. G. Childs, president of the company, read his annual report, which showed that 45 miles of the line from Columbia to Newberry had been completed by the Congaree Construction Co., and that a portion of the road had been examined by the railroad commission and accepted.

The Cape Fear & Cincinnati Railroad will, if built, prove to be of great importance to South Carolina. From a prospectus of the company the following information is taken: "The road is to run from Wilmington, N. C., south to Southport, N. C., thence westerly through heavy forests of yellow pine and other timber lands to Coway, S. C. Here the road diverges in three directions, the main line going southwest to Georgetown and Charleston, S. C. Another division will run north from Salisbury, N. C., via Marion, Bennettsville, Rockingham, Little Mills and Albemarle, and the third division will run from Coway northwest to Green River, S. C., via Florence, Camden, Winstonsboro and Union. The total length of the line is 485 miles. The company owns valuable terminal facilities at Southport, N. C., where it is proposed to erect warehouses, wharves, coal piers, cotton press, elevator, etc., so that grain and can be taken to Southport from the Northwest and loaded into vessels, the city of Southport being situated at the mouth of the Cape Fear river and only five miles from the Atlantic ocean. The office is at: President, J. Wilson Brown, Baltimore, Md.; vice president and general manager, George B. Morton, Baltimore; second vice president, M. C. Guthrie, Southport, N. C.; secretary, J. H. Rowleson; treasurer, H. B. Bell." The Massachusetts Construction Co. has been recently organized to build this road, and has, it is said, as was stated several weeks ago, been awarded the contract for the division between Wilmington and Southport, 25 miles, and between Southport and Salisbury, N. C., 196 miles.

The Southern Timber & Mineral Land Investment Co., which has recently been organized, with offices in Kansas City, New Orleans, Chattanooga, Boston, Lynn, Mass., Asheville, N. C., and Pittsburg, Kansas, owns lands embracing about 40,000 acres, located in Eastern Tennessee and Western North Carolina, and is now making investments in manufacturing plants at Johnson City, Tenn. The properties of the company lie about 70 miles east of Knoxville. The capital stock is \$350,000, widely distributed in the North, South and West.

The wealth of Danville, Va., as recently computed, makes that city, so it is claimed, the richest in the State, per capita. The population is 12,000, and the real estate assessed is \$7,700,928. The real and personal property in the place amounts to about \$8,000,000, giving an average wealth per capita of \$750. There are 1,400 white voters in Danville, and thus it will be seen that were the wealth of the city divided equally among them, each voter would receive more than \$5,000.

According to London, Eng., cable grams, a company is organizing in that city, capital \$1,000,000, to acquire and exploit lands in Alabama.

The Richmond Land & Improvement Co. has acquired 930,000 acres of land in four counties of West Virginia and in three of old Virginia. The records of this transaction were filed July 8th in Mercer county courthouse, West Virginia. The price is said to have been \$2,500,000.

The directors of the Salisbury (N. C.) Cotton Mill have declared a semi annual dividend of six per cent. and have added \$17,000 to the capital stock to be divided pro rata among the stockholders. Additions of 2,900 spindles and 100 looms have been made to the plant.

The Mier Iron Co. of East Carondelet, St. Clair county, Illinois, have sold their two iron furnaces. All the machinery and appliances are to be used in furnaces now building at Big Stone Gap, Va.

The Salvador-Guatemala War. LA LIBERTAD, San Salvador, via Galveston, August 4.—Communication with the interior of San Salvador, has been restored. Advice from the capital of the republic states that General Antonio Ezeta was ordered from the frontier, with about 2,000 men, immediately upon the outbreak of the revolt, headed by Gen. Rivas. Gen. Ezeta hastened with all speed to the capital. Gen. Rivas' forces had captured the artillery barracks, but the few troops in charge of the detachment were before they surrendered. Indians then pillaged several houses, and a panic ensued. Rivas' forces were finally defeated and peace restored. It is stated that Guatemala has withdrawn her forces from the frontier, and that all is quiet at present. There is no telegraphic communication with Guatemala.

A Strange Card. Samuel Colgan, an ambitious office-seeker, of Edgefield county, S. C., makes the following unique announcement of his candidacy, through the columns of a local paper: "To the good people of Edgefield: The wind bloweth where it listeth, and no man can tell whence it comes, or whether it goeth, but I am not that kind of a cat. I am a Ben Tillman cat, and if elected county commissioner, propose to reform, beautify, adorn, ransuciate, rejuvenate and rehabilitate Edgefield county from the edge of the water up to the top of the rocks. I am a laboring man and haul wood. If not elected, I can haul on. I would say more, but I am a man of few words, and full of trouble."

The general strike was ordered Thursday at all public schools now being repaired in New York. Three of the contractors are objectionable to the walking delegates.

## THE ALLIANCE.

### A SUB-TREASURY BILL SUBSTITUTE.

#### Proceedings of the Caldwell County, N. C. Alliance.—They Voted the Sub-Treasury Bill, and Offer Another Plan.—Farming Notes.

The paper known as the "Sub-Treasury bill," which had been sent down to the Sub-Alliances for adoption or rejection, coming up at the monthly meeting of the Caldwell County, N. C., Farmers' Alliance, as unfinished business from the April meeting, a motion was made to adopt. After an able discussion of the bill for and against, a vote was taken and the motion to adopt was lost. Dr. R. L. Bell then offered the following paper, which was adopted, viz: Believing in the fundamental principles of our Constitution, viz: equal rights to all, special favors to none; to constantly strive to secure harmony and good will among all mankind; to suppress personal, local, sectional and national prejudices; and having faith in the intelligence and conservatism of our fellow citizens, we offer the following plan as a remedy for existing public evils, not only to our brethren in North Carolina, but to the whole order, and would first and foremost, respectfully ask of all candidates for the Legislature to secure a public acceptance of the same.

First, Such a modification of the tariff as will allow the products of our farms not only to reach the free markets of the world, but to get in exchange for our products the manufactures of a free market without unjust restrictions.

Second, Such an economical administration of national finances as shall leave none of the people's money locked in the government vaults as a surplus above the needs of the government, thereby contracting the currency, or acting as a temptation to corrupt schemes, or wasted on needless public buildings and unavigable harbors and rivers.

Third, A modification of the national banking act, so as to prevent a needless contraction of the currency; the repeal of the tax on our State banks, and free coinage and remonetization of silver.

Fourth, A cessation and repeal of all unconstitutional, centralizing, sectional and partisan legislation by Congress, thereby promoting a feeling of national brotherhood and confidence in the justice and stability of the government which is the basis of national prosperity.

Fifth, A proper control of the railroads, which are but the highways of the people for purposes of travel and commerce, in such a manner as not to deprive the railroad companies of a reasonable profit on their investment and at the same time protect the people from unjust discriminations and restrictions on trade and travel.

Sixth, Stern opposition to the usurpation of powers not granted in the constitution, and reserved to the people.

The Alliance Sentinel (Lansing, Mich.) gives good report: Notwithstanding the extreme warm weather and the fact that farmers are exceedingly busy, the Alliance is surely and steadily traveling across the State. Livingston county party is the organization to-day and other counties will fall into line, and by the middle of August the State will be ready to organize. Let each organizer feel the responsibility of getting his county in line.

News from different points in Virginia and North Carolina indicate that there is promise of the finest crop of bright tobacco grown in ten years. The seasons have been excellent and the growing crop is as good as the land can make.

It is among the possibilities that there may be at least thirty-five or forty Farmers' Alliance men in the next Congress, and in consequence there is a wide field for speculation as to who will control the organization of the 52nd Congress.

Jasper county, Indiana, has thirteen Alliances and 600 members. There are forty counties in the next Congress under the Farmers' Mutual Benefit Association, with a membership of 40,000, all voters.

The Farmer's Friend (Iola, Kan.) says: Prejudice is being killed. Did you ever think of that? The laboring people are coming rapidly to their senses and fully realize already that reform can only come by being brought about by concerted action. All over the country there seems to be a growing demand for a change in the political aspect of things; and when such a universal demand is made it must be met in the next Congress by a party, in which the great common people could join together in the election of candidates pledged to needed reforms, is demanded, and must be the outcome of the present state of affairs.

"It was a complete success" Such was the unanimous verdict of the State Farmers' Institute at Ridge Spring, S. C. It accomplished great good. The farmers spent a session in that greatest of all schools, experience. They came in direct contact with their fellow-workers, exchanged ideas and experiences that were mutually profitable. New plans of cultivation were advanced, the causes for total or partial failures explained and their remedies given. The eyes of many farmers have been opened to the necessity and profit of new and easily cultivated crops, the importance of sorghum as a by-product for feed to cattle has been a pointer to a number of good farmers, the suggestions having been made by Col. Duncan. The most successful and practical methods of fruit growing were advanced.

The Cotton Season in Texas. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Special.—This year's cotton product of southwest Texas is beginning to come into the market, and buyers are rapidly flocking from New York and other eastern cities. Ginning operations have already commenced in many localities, and within a few weeks the market will be in full blast. The increase of acreage planted in cotton in southwest Texas compared with last year. However, the yield will not be so large this season, owing to the ravages of the cotton boll worm.

## POLITICAL SQUIBS.

### At Montgomery, Ala., Hon. H. A. Herbert was renominated by acclamation for Congress from the Second Congressional district of Alabama.

In the judicial convention at Lexington, N. C., Armfield was nominated on the first ballot. The first 1st lot stood, Armfield, 162; Robbins, 102. B. F. Long was nominated for solicitor, receiving the nomination by acclamation. The convention passed a resolution endorsing Senator Vance.

The North Carolina Republican convention is called to meet in Metropolitan Hall, Raleigh, on August 28. The State Executive Committee, of which collector of Internal Revenue, J. B. Eaves is chairman, signed the announcement. They propose nominating a candidate for Chief Justice and Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and Superior Court Judges for the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th and 10th judicial districts.

The Augusta Exchange, representing the business interests of Augusta, adopted a preamble and resolutions denouncing the Lodge bill, and also the proposed boycott.

The Omaha *Republican*, the oldest daily paper in Nebraska, has suspended publication.

The 1st Nebraska District Democratic Congressional Convention has nominated William J. Bryan, of Lincoln.

The Democratic convention of the second Arkansas district nominated Clifton R. Breckinridge for congress, by acclamation.

The platform adopted by the Michigan State Prohibition convention at Lansing demands prohibition of the liquor traffic, the establishment of postal savings banks, a reduction of the tariff, a per diem service pension law, government control of railroads and telegraph lines, the Australian ballot system, equal suffrage, the prohibition of speculation in margins, and of the formation of trusts and combines, and urges legislation that will insure to the laborer a just return for his labor.

The primary held in Webster county, Ga., resulted in the nomination of Northey for governor and all the old state officers, except Anderson and Henderson. Lester and Nesbitt carried the county. Judge Crisp carried the county for Richmond.

The Richmond city Democratic committee met Thursday night for the purpose of arranging the precinct plan of electing delegates to the Congressional Convention to meet on August 17th. There were strong expressions of disapproval of the plan from the people, but it was thought best to continue the precinct plan.

Hon. F. M. Simmons withdraws his name as a Congressional candidate in the Second N. C. District.

Congressman Dargan of the 6th Congressional District of South Carolina has addressed the following to his constituents: After mature deliberation I have determined not to be a candidate for reelection to Congress, and I hereby announce to you my determination. In retiring from the public service it affords me pleasure to say that I shall carry into private life no recollection of any personal grievance of any kind whatsoever, but only a grateful remembrance of your generous support during many years.

Assuring you that, however widely we may now or hereafter differ on questions of Federal or State policy, I shall always feel a warm interest in your welfare and happiness, private and social, as well as political. I am very respectfully your fellow citizen, G. W. DARGAN.

Major E. Barksdale withdrew from the race for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the seventh Mississippi district. His chances for defeating Congressman Hooker were flattering until he declared for the sub-treasury bill, which caused a reaction, and losing the pivotal county of Madison, he withdrew. Hooker will be renominated.

The Democratic convention of the 1st Nebraska district sent a greeting to James G. Blaine, congratulating him on his denunciation of the McKinley tariff bill.

The result of the primary election which took place in Taylor county, Ga., was as follows: For Governor, Northern, 568; for secretary of state, Cook, 570; for treasurer, Hardeman, 104; for comptroller general, Wright, 104; for attorney general, Lester, 336; Anderson, 220; for commissioner of agriculture, Hunicutt, 202; Henderson, 242; for members of congress, Gorman, 332; Grimes, 243; for senator of twenty-third district, Culpepper, 561; Sykes, 5.

The Democrats of the 4th Georgia Congressional district nominated C. Moses, an Alliance man, to succeed Representative Grimes.

Delegates to the Tennessee State Republican convention are in attendance at Nashville. The convention will be just one-third as large as the last Democratic convention, because only one delegate is allowed for every 200 votes. The State executive committee selected Zac Taylor, of Memphis, for temporary chairman, and W. T. Tipton, of Bradley, and J. O. Boyd, of Montgomery, for secretaries. The only names mentioned for the gubernatorial nomination are Lewis T. Baxter, of Davidson, W. R. Moore, of Shelby, W. W. Woodruff, of Knoxville, Thomas H. Reeves, of Washington, and J. E. McCall of Carroll. Lewis T. Baxter was nominated by acclamation for Governor by the Republican State convention Wednesday evening.

The platform adopted by the convention endorses the administration of Harrison as wise, patriotic and statesmanlike; the effort of Republican Congressmen to enact the protective tariff law; and the Federal election bill; congratulates the country on the wise solution of the Silver bill; denounces trusts and approves the action of Congress making them a misdemeanor; denounces the State Democratic administration and its peculiar tariff system; and advising convict lease system; denounces recent State election laws; and favoring a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation \$1,000 on valuation. The convention then adjourned sine die.

## CONGRESSIONAL.

### WASHINGTON, D. C.—In the Senate Friday the tariff bill was taken up.

When "orange mineral" was reached, Mr. Vance offered an amendment reducing the duty to 24 cents. This led to a long discussion about the lead trust, participated in by Messrs. Vest, Morgan and McPherson, in which trusts in general and the lead trust in particular, were attacked. Mr. Vance's amendment was rejected—yeas 21, yeas 30.

The earthen ware schedule having been taken up, a vote was taken on the proposition to reduce the rate on fire-brick and clay, and was rejected, Mr. Plumb voting with the Democrats.

Mr. Plumb made a violent attack on the bill, charging that especially in the china schedule it was framed solely with a view to the demands of the manufacturers. It was about time, he said, that the American people had an inning. The manufacturers had the present law passed by a Republican Congress on the recommendation of a Republican tariff commission, formed with an eye to their advantage, and now they were here demanding further advantages. There was a combination, he charged, between the crockery manufacturers and the importers, under which they divided the market.

Mr. Sherman defended the crockery manufacturers. He said that the price of china to day was less than the duty paid on it ten years ago.

Without disposing of the china paragraph, the Senate, at 8 p. m., adjourned.

UNCLE SAM'S REVENUE. Commissioner John W. Mason has submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury a preliminary report of the operations of the internal revenue business during the last fiscal year. The commissioner says that the total collections from all sources of internal revenue were \$142,594,000, an increase of \$11,700,262 as compared with the collections during the preceding year.

Tables appended to the report show that the receipts in detail during the year (which are compared with the preceding year) were as follows: Spirits, \$81,687,375, increase, \$7,375,168; tobacco, \$3,339,000, increase, \$2,002,130; fermented liquors, \$26,008,534, increase, \$2,284,099; oleomargarine, \$78,291, decrease, \$107,956; banks and bankers, \$70, decrease, \$6,144; miscellaneous, \$153,434, increase, \$63,363. Under the head of tobacco the tables show that receipts from chewing and smoking tobacco increased \$1,243,581; from cigars, \$661,513, and from cigarettes, \$40,796. Taxes were paid during the two last fiscal years on 4,087,860,983 cigars, 2,233,254,680 cigarettes, 85,043,336 gallons of spirits and 27,561,944 gallons of fermented liquor.

Illinois paid the heaviest contribution last year, \$34,878,931; next in order came Kentucky, \$17,059,043; New York, \$11,824,321; Ohio, \$13,430,972; Pennsylvania, \$9,732,217; Missouri, \$8,002,284; Indiana, \$6,250,981; Virginia, \$3,516,195.

South Carolina is the smallest contributor among the States, \$94,597, and the next smallest comes Alabama, \$118,800, and Arkansas, \$110,015. North Carolina paid \$750,504; Tennessee, \$1,100,387; Georgia, \$355,985, and Florida \$473,382.

THE COMPOUND LARD BILL. The house committee on agriculture decided to report favorably the bill introduced in the House by Mr. Conger last Monday, to regulate the manufacture and sale of compound lard. The bill is similar in language and scope to the amended bill already reported by the committee, the only material change being a few small reductions in the rate of taxation, and the purpose of reporting this last bill is to facilitate action upon the subject in the House by substituting it for the amended bill first reported and thereby avoiding the necessity for separate votes on the numerous amendments made to the original bill.

REDUCTION OF RATES ORDERED. The Inter State Commerce Commission has issued its order to take effect September 1, 1890, for the reduction of rates on food products, based on its report sent to the Senate June 7, 1890. The reductions made apply only to corn, oats, wheat and flour, carried from Ohio, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, to Chicago, St. Louis and the Mississippi river.

Chicago's Big Fair. CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—The Directors of the World's Fair have prepared a statement of the manner in which it is proposed to divide the exhibits between the lake front and Jackson Park. They say that intend to put in Jackson Park agricultural display, in all its divisions, including products of the soil, livestock and food products, machinery of all sorts, the forestry exhibits, the railroad display, electrical appliances, printing exhibit, glass making and pottery exhibits, mineral display, architecture and engineering, cotton and woolen mills and their manufactures, military and sporting weapons, marine display, etc.

It is intended this portion of the exhibition shall equal in interest that on the lake front. On the latter it is proposed to put the art building, the decorative and art manufacture building, Turkish, Indian and Egyptian villages, Government departmental exhibits and so on.

There Stands the South—Look at Her! The best answer to fire-aters in regard to Southern oppression may be found, like so much interesting matter, by grubbing among the census figures for the last decade, Memphis increasing 123 per cent.; Dallas, 281 per cent.; San Antonio, 92 per cent.; Chattanooga, 250 per cent.; Birmingham, 270 per cent. Compare this with Boston increasing 10 and Cincinnati 12 per cent. In addition to this the negroes have \$150,000,000 of property and 1,000,000 of children in the public schools. The silent forces of enterprise and civilization have been steadily building up the South to a glory surpassing the dreams of her proudest sons, and yet howling denunciations—North and South—would arise and destroy this magnificent work to secure some wretched political advantage or satisfy some truculent, puny ambition.—New York Herald.



LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Briefs and Personals.

County court begins next Monday. LADIES SHOES at 65c. at Weiler's. Fruit jars, all sizes, at John's, Bristol.

Fresh cakes and crackers at C. M. Wolfe's. A nice line of stationery at C. M. Wolfe's.

A handsome line of Jewelry at C. M. Wolfe's. LADIES' SLIPPERS at cost price at Weiler's.

LADIES' BUTTON SHOES at 90c. at Weiler's. Call to see us when you come to court Monday.

E. Reeves & Co. have just received a lot of fine cigars. \$1.25 will buy a nice pair mens' shoes at Weiler's.

Maj. Jno. T. Hamlet, Wytheville, was in town Sunday. Go to Marion Foundry for water pipe fixtures and repairs.

Buy "Snowflake Flour," the best in the market, from C. M. Wolfe. Call at this office if you want an organ, or sewing machine real cheap.

WHITE SHIRTS, outing shirts, ties, suspenders, hose, etc., at Weiler's. E. Reeves & Co. have received and are receiving a full line of Boots & Shoes.

If you want a good pair of eye glasses for little money go to C. M. Wolfe's. Prof. J. H. Gilmore, one of our former citizens, but now of Lexington, is in town.

Mr. Frank McNulty, of Dawson, Ga., is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Richardson. Miss Lillie Bogle, of Bland county, was in town this week, guest of the Valley House.

Large stock of SOFT and STIFF HATS, extremely cheap, and correct styles, at Weiler's. Mr. Marshall Black, of the Southern Express Co., is in town, the guest of Mr. W. T. Dickey.

Mrs. St. John, wife of Mr. Noah C. St. John, died at her home in Glade Spring Tuesday night. Do you want a first-class sewing machine real cheap and on good time? If so, call at this office.

Our friend Jas. Bralley, of Wytheville, was in town last Friday and paid us a pleasant call. Our \$1.00 pants are the best for the money ever sold in this State. Buy them at Weiler's.

Allen Graham is having a dwelling house built on his lot near the railroad, in north Marion. We are glad to learn that Harry, son of H. C. Jones, who has the typhoid fever, is improving.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Lutheran church will meet in Roanoke city next Tuesday. Mrs. E. F. Groselose spent last Sunday and Monday in Wytheville, guest of Mrs. W. A. Johnston.

Mr. R. M. Huppenthal is still confined to his bed with typhoid fever. We hope he will soon be out again. E. Reeves & Co. will sell you granulated sugar at 8 1/2c, and Extra C. sugar for 7 1/2c and they keep the best coffee.

Misses Mattie Cowan and Alice Vermillion, of Lebanon, Va., are visiting Mr. T. S. Pruner's family in this city. You can get 12 1/2 pounds of white granulated sugar for \$1.00, or 16 pounds of brown sugar \$1.00 at Venable & Co's.

Mr. J. B. Sprinkle, son of A. P. Sprinkle, of Fort Worth, Texas, is visiting relatives and friends in Marion and vicinity. If you are thinking of purchasing an organ call at this office and we will sell you one at half price, and take part in produce.

Col. A. Fulkerson and A. H. Blanchard, of Bristol, were in town Monday attending to matters relative to the S. A. O. Railroad. Capt. A. M. Dickinson and family returned from their rural home in Grayson Co., last Friday, where they have been spending the summer.

Mr. Josiah Brown, of Auburn, Ill., was in Marion last Friday and Saturday. He left Wythe county about 6 years ago and located in Auburn. Miss Ida McDonald, of Washington city, is visiting Mr. H. C. Jones' family in this place. Hope she will have pleasant time while in our beautiful little city.

Mr. Greenwalt, of the firm of Greenwalt, Davis & Co., of the Wytheville, marble works, was in town last Saturday, and received orders for more work. Mr. Geo. P. Luther and lady, of Lynchburg, are visiting relatives and friends in this place. They brought with them a fine large boy, three months old.

Any person wanting a sewing machine can make an arrangement with us by which a first-class machine can be had at low rates and one-half payable in trade. The Board of Regents of Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., have recently elected Mr. S. D. Fowler, son of J. J. Fowler, of this place, Professor of Languages and Literature.

We will sell lots goods now very cheap to reduce stock before going north. We want to paint and remodel our store, and must reduce stock if prices will do it. VENABLE & Co. Finest quality of canned goods in town at C. M. Wolfe's.

Milk shake, lemonade, water melons at C. M. Wolfe.

Men's SOLID LEATHER BOOTS at \$1.75 at Weiler's. Monday is court-day. All who want GOOD BARGAINS and receive fair treatment, ought to call on M. WELER.

We want five or six hundred bushels of wheat, and one to two hundred bushels of oats. Come and see us. Venable & Co. J. Hal. Gibboney, traveling agent of the Covenant Building & Loan Association, of Knoxville, Tenn., has been in our city the last few days, in the interest of that first-class institution.

Annie, a little daughter of J. W. Mort, of Bristol, who is at her grand pa's, J. H. Francis, has taken the measles since she came to Marion. The malady seems to be of a mild form. It is now thought that the murderer of Treasurer Caddell, of Pulaski county, has been found. There are good reasons for suspecting a prominent merchant of Newbern of being guilty of the murder.

LADIES—We have control of Clement & Ball's shoes. We can show you the prettiest, most stylish and best fitting shoes made, in kid, goat and glove kid. See them. Venable & Company. Dr. P. W. Atkins is having a nice porch built to the front of his residence, which will add greatly to the appearance of his property. Messrs. Rice & Dowdy are the contractors and are fine mechanics.

The person who took the lock and chain off the gate to the enclosure around my square in the cemetery at Mt. Carmel, will be made known in the newspapers unless the lock and chain are returned. MARY C. CLUTSON. W. S. McLanahan, now of Palaski city, is building a large dwelling house upon his lot in this place, on corner of Reservoir and Cemetery streets. Mr. John Prater is doing the work and will do a good job.

Revs. J. J. Scherer, J. B. Greiner, W. P. Huddle, Messrs. R. T. Copenhaver and J. L. Groselose left for Salem Tuesday evening to attend the Southwest Va. Lutheran Synod, which is now in session at that place. Lace Bed Sets \$1.60. Ladies' Ribbed Vests 25c. and 50c. per pair. Van Dyke Lace at 15c. and 20c., Vandyke Lace Sets at 35c. per pair. Plated Tableware, good and cheap. Goods arriving daily at J. L. GROSECLOSE'S.

The Lebanon Baptist Association meets at Wytheville to day. Revs. D. A. Glenn, W. N. Britton, Judge A. P. Cole, J. H. Gollehon, Dr. S. W. Dickinson and V. S. Myagan, delegates from Marion, are in attendance. Miss Essie Boatwright, daughter of Rev. R. B. Boatwright, formerly pastor of the Baptist church at this place, but now of Bedford city, is visiting relatives and friends in town. She is the guest of Judge Cole's family.

We are agents for the largest Gen-seng buyer in New York and can pay highest prices. Country merchants can sell us their Seng for as much as they can get for it anywhere, and save commission and expenses. Venable and Co. We have just received a beautiful lot of Lace Ties, Lace Shams, Lace Curtains, Chamber Sets, and Household Furnishing Goods, which we will sell cheap. Come and see for yourselves, and you then will purchase. W. C. SEAVER & SONS.

Gen. R. A. Ayers, of Estillville, Va., Maj. J. H. Wood, of Bristol, Va., J. M. Kregger, of Abingdon, Va., R. L. Pickett, and C. L. Moon, of High Point, N. C., and W. H. Hoge, of Bland county, were guests of the Valley House this week. Attention is called to the card of Mr. Jus. H. Kelly, published for the first time in this week's issue. Mr. Kelly is a young lawyer and is gaining a good practice. He is very attentive to all business placed in his hands, and is generally very successful.

W. R. Hester, the handsome and efficient agent of Norfolk and Western at Salem, will enter upon his annual vacation Thursday, spending it at the Craig Healing, not for his health; however, it is said, but because he cannot resist the influence of a pair of bright eyes.—Roanoke Herald. TRY DICKEY'S INDIAN BLOOD AND LIVER PILLS. Card of Thanks. I take this method to tender my thanks to all my friends for the many kind acts bestowed by them during the time of my wife's sickness and after her death. I and my children will always remember them. WM. ARNOLD.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

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We learn from the Commonwealths Attorney that there will be no circuit court held next week, but that a special term will be called very soon. Particular attention is called to the change in the adv. of M. Weiler, our leading clothier. Mr. Weiler has the reputation of being a fair, honest and reliable man, and will give you bargains in all goods in his line. He will start East in a few weeks to lay in his fall and winter goods, and will for the next 20 days sell goods at cost price, in order to make room for his fall stock. Go and see him at once, if you wish bargains. There have been five hundred murders in Perry county, Ky., and only one murderer was ever convicted. He served a term of only a few months in jail. Last week a judge was trying to hold court there. He was surrounded by the militia. It was the first term of court for more than a year. The lawbreakers have burned down the jail and court-house, and given notice that they did not want lawyers or law. Judge Lilly was sitting in a canvas tent erected for the occasion. In his charge to the jury he stated plainly that the people of the county regarded a man's life of less value than that of a horse. "This county is over seventy years old," he continued, "and but one man in all that time has been convicted for murder, and he only served a small term of years in the penitentiary, though five hundred men have been murdered in the county. This is appalling, and I again ask you, do you want justice? The records show you these things. I have called the extra term of court to give you one more opportunity to show that you want it; now do your duty. I will be frank to say that if this court amounts to nothing that there will be no use of ever again trying to hold court in Perry. My life is in danger." Board of Supervisors. The county supervisors met last Monday and let out contracts for keeping the roads and bridges of the county in repair during the ensuing year. In the Rich Valley district all the roads in each road precinct were let out to the lowest bidders. In Marion and St. Clair districts there were no bids offered for some of the road precincts, but in these precincts the roads and bridges will be kept in repair by overseers. A contract was made with a bridge company to build a span to the iron bridge over the Holston river at Glan Mills, 2 1/2 miles west of town, which will supply the place of a wooden span which is now at one end of the iron bridge, and when the work is completed and received the cost of the same will be paid in full, as there are sufficient funds on hand for that purpose. The levy laid by the Supervisors for road purposes is 15 cents on each \$100.00 value on property. The levy laid for county taxes is same as last year. Happy Hoosiers. Wm. Titmouse, Postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from Kidney and Liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Kidney and Liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and can't care whether he lives or dies; he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at S. W. Dickinson's Drugstore. A Railroad Sensation. Bristol is enjoying a sensation over a railroad fight. Judge Bolen, sitting for Judge Kelly, entered an order appointing Dr. J. M. Bailey receiver of the S. A. & O. R. R., and after he was in full possession of the same, he was forcibly ejected therefrom, whereupon A. M. Dickinson, Esq., visited Judge Bolen last Tuesday at Russell C. H., where he is now holding court, and obtained an order for rules against the parties who took possession of the road, to show cause why they should not be attached, fined and imprisoned for contempt. These rules are returnable to Friday, 15th inst., at Abingdon, when there will be a lively contest. A full account will be given of the matter next week. The Plaintiffs in the motion are represented by Judge R. M. Brown, Capt. F. S. Blount, M. Dickinson, Esq., Fulkerson & Page, and A. H. Blanchard. The defense by Maj. J. H. Wood, ex-Atty-Gen. Ayres, and others whose names we did not learn. Married. Mr. Wm. E. Brown and Miss Sophronia Anderson were united in marriage on the evening of the 9th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Anderson, Rev. J. R. Harrison, of Glade Spring, officiating. Mr. Brown was a former resident of Glade Springs, but is now engaged in a lucrative business in Louisville, Ky., where he intends to make his future home. A large number of friends and relatives attended the nuptials and were lavish in congratulating the happy couple and in wishing them a happy and successful career.

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We learn from the Commonwealths Attorney that there will be no circuit court held next week, but that a special term will be called very soon. Particular attention is called to the change in the adv. of M. Weiler, our leading clothier. Mr. Weiler has the reputation of being a fair, honest and reliable man, and will give you bargains in all goods in his line. He will start East in a few weeks to lay in his fall and winter goods, and will for the next 20 days sell goods at cost price, in order to make room for his fall stock. Go and see him at once, if you wish bargains. There have been five hundred murders in Perry county, Ky., and only one murderer was ever convicted. He served a term of only a few months in jail. Last week a judge was trying to hold court there. He was surrounded by the militia. It was the first term of court for more than a year. The lawbreakers have burned down the jail and court-house, and given notice that they did not want lawyers or law. Judge Lilly was sitting in a canvas tent erected for the occasion. In his charge to the jury he stated plainly that the people of the county regarded a man's life of less value than that of a horse. "This county is over seventy years old," he continued, "and but one man in all that time has been convicted for murder, and he only served a small term of years in the penitentiary, though five hundred men have been murdered in the county. This is appalling, and I again

