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PITHY ITEMS.

Efforts are being made at Richmond, Va., to transport the old Libby prison back to that city from Chicago, Ill.

Marshall Ross Smith, of Morley, Mo., while locked up in jail, sot fire to the building and was burned to

During the cattlemen's convention at Fort Worth, Texas, stock to the value of \$2,600,000 changed hands.

Gray wolves in enormous numbers are praying upon the stock along the Laramie river, Colorado.

The Republican State central committee of Kansas met at Topeka and authorized the holding of the Star-convention at Hutchison on June 8. A full State ticket will be nominated.

About two miles from Henrietts Milia. N. C., Mr. John Green, township con-stable, attempted to arrest a negro named Blake, who had run away from South Carolina for wife beating, and for which crime Constable Green held a warrant. As soon as the negro heard of the officer's business he opened fire with a pistol. The constable fell to his with a pistol. knees, mortally wounded, but drew his pistol, firing three shots at the negro, all of which took effect, one ball picroing his heart, killing him instantly.

INSANE OF THE STATE.

The Largest Number of Patients in the Hospital in Its History.

The care of the insane of the State has become a serious problem. The number of patients have assumed alarming proportions. To such an extent is this true that that the board of regents met on the 10th, says the Columbia State, and gave the matter their most careful consideration. As a result of their deliberations they appointed two committees to study plans to relieve the situation by reducing the number under treatment.

During the past month 989 persons were cared for. This is the largest number in the history of the hospital for the insane. Thirty-four new ones have applied for admission. Thirty-one patients were discharged on

The regents decided that the institution is becoming so crowded that to accomodate recent and incurable cases for whom applications are being made it will be necessary to send all chronic and harmless cases to the poor houses of their respective counties. A comitteo consisting of Mr. Irodell Jop and Superintendent Babcock was ap, ted to investigate the subject and report to the regents in order that the matter may be laid before Governor Ellerbe to be transmitted by him to the next

General Assembly.
of admitting insane as chairman, was appointed to prepare a special report. He is to confer with the superintendent and directors of the penitentiary in order to have recom-mendations for legislation which will have insane criminals placed in the penitentiary, where in the opinion, of the regents, they properly belong.

PORT ROYAL DRY DOCK.

It Will Soon be Available for Our Big Warships.

Reports received at the navy department from the contractor in charge of dredging a new anchorage ground for vessels at the entrance to the dry dock at Pert Royal, S. C., encourage a bone that the work of getting a sufficient anchorage to accommodate vessels of war may be successful before long. Heretoforo ships have been compelled to come into the dock proper from below at high water and then get out again under the same circumstances. The adaptability of the dock to United States war vessels at all times is greatly to be desired, since south of New-port News it is the only dock on the Atlantic coast available for use of the yessels of the North Atlantic squadron.

THE PAY OF SUPERVISORS. An Interesting Question Which Affects All Old Boards.

Under the new law regarding supervisors of registration, a question has arisen in some of the counties which is also of interest to all the others. It as to what length of time the form boards of supervisors get paid for, when the pay of the new boards .. n mence. Comptroller General Derties. who has received a number of inquiries who has received a number of inquites along this live, takes the position that the tenure of office of the old boards expired the first of the year, this enge the beginning of the fiscal as the calendar year. Consequent has says, they get no pay for servisional dered in 1898 unless they are taked obtain a muneration from 1 board just come to the board is a leastly unchanged by the year control of the board is a leastly unchanged by the capacity and a leastly and the difficult to a monetary and a leastly and the difficult to a monetary and a leastly and the difficult to a monetary and a least the capacity and a lea ot be difficult to a

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JUSTICE DONE IN NEWBERRY.

Three White Men Colicted of a Shameful China.

FATHER AND TWO SONS.

The Sons Sentenced to Years in the Penitentiary and the Father to 18 Months on the Chain Gang.

A special from New to 10 News and Courier, of the this says: The Pomaria case endet tonight in the conviction of three parties tried at this term of court. The mass of testimony occupied four full drys. Arguments were begun this morning, and three speeches on each side occupied until 6 o'clock.

Judge Benet's charge occupied half an hour, and embraced the law in the

The jury retired at 7 o'clock and ren-

dered a verdict at 9:30: Albert F. Rizer and William Rizer were found guilty of housebreaking and larceny, and sentenced to five years and one month in the ponitontiary. Jas. A. Rizer was found guilty of receiving stolen goods and was sentenced to eighteen months on the chain gang or eighteen months in the pepitentiary.

Judgo Benet, in passing sentence, said that he would not add one word to the torture of the moment. Profound silence prevailed in the court room when the verdict was announced, and before passing sentence each prisoner made a negative reply to Judge Benet's question if they had anything to say why sentence should not be passed.

Three white men, a father with the frost of sixty-five winters upon his head, and two sons convicted of a grave crime presents a sadly remark-able spectacle in this community.

The trial engrossed the whole of pub-lic attention, and the verdict produces a profound impression generally. The other parties in jail arrested in the Pomaria case are to be tried at the special term in April.

MISS BERTIE WALKED UP

While Water Was Being Drawn From Reservoir to Recover Her Body.

The thoughtlessness of Miss Bertie Hood, 21 and pretty, nearly precipitated a water famine in Columbia on the 13th. She is from Winnsboro and was visiting friends in the cit - Jast afternoon she disappeared. S of friends and police failed t. n trace. About floating in the noon today a ... reservoir was fi at. A paper bear-at the bottom of ing the words, this with weigh B ny body. he proces was found insi ing off six mil allons of valer dragging the oir was immedia. begun in the ace of a big crowd. At dusk, wh e million gallous of filtered water and ceturned to the river, Miss Hook will edup. She had spent the night with the son the northern limit of the attention to the action of the attention of the attention

Expressand Postoffice Robl . A Hampton special to The says: Some one entered the Southern Express office here, open to a safe and carried away \$21,000; nico t express packages by the area. When Mrs. Hughes, " cress here, opened her oblown open, it sound the safe surge done to the furniture, and sons heard a he .vy dischargo Saturday night, but eguld not locate it, and no one suspected that our quiet community had been invaded by burglar. Several suspicious characters have been in town recently, but up to this time no ryests have been made.

Lynchers Foiled.

Last week Charlie Williams, the negro who was accused of mardering Mr. F. W. Lee at flishopville on November 21st, was tried at Sumter and found guilty of marder with recommendation to mercy. The people from the Bish-opville section were not satisfied with the verdiet, and violence was feared. The sheriff received an intimation that an attempt would be made to lynch the negro, and he instructed Deputy Gail lard to get him to a place of safety, and he was taken to Columbia.

A Shorter Route to Columbia. It is said that the Carolina Midland railway will comple its extension to Batesburg in about three weeks. This will give this section of the country c shorter route to Columbia and the up country. Mr. J. W. Fowler, the general manager, will probably do much to improve the service, equipment and physical condition of the road. He is a railroad official of long experience and

full of expedients and resources. Crime in the State.

On the 14th, according to correspondents of the Columbia State. the following murders were committed: Near Union Lee Turnbill (white) shot and instantly killed Emma Hall (colored). They had been playing in the presence of five witnesses and he told her to stop, and she didn't, with the above re-sult. Near Camden, Allen Carolina (colored) was shot by Constable J. F. Bateman, while resisting arrest for burning cord wood. In Bethel township, in York county, Butler Robbins shot and instantly killed Tom McFadden, both colored. It is said that Robbins found McFadden in a compromising position with his, Robbins',

Notes.

It is said that the smallpox at Pelham is on the decrease. At Conway, April 1st, Nathan Willis will be hanged for murder.

The town of Williamston has been a new charter under the act of

beville, will

ALMOST COMPLETED.

The Naval Board of Inquiry Nearly

Ready to Report. The naval board of inquiry has almost completed its investigation and the report will likely be forwarded to Washington in the next two or three days. A few details of the expert testimony are being carefully collected. The divers are only verifying their previous discoveries. The report that is awaited with so much interest and on which so much depends is almost fin-ished, and will be in the hands of the President inside of the next six days.

The Naval Militia.

It has been decided that in the event of hostilities the naval militia will take care of harbor defences in conjunction with the naval and coast defense officers. The latter being of the army department, will detail the reserves to take charge of the improvised submarine mines.

Spain's Protest.

It is reported that Spain has lodged a protest with the Brazilian government against the sale of the cruisers Amazonas and Abrenall to the United States on the ground that it is an unfriendly act in view of the tension of the situation between the Madrid and Washington governments.

Moving Artillery Batteries.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has closed a contract with the government transport artillery batteries from Washington to Fert Mott and from Fort Me-Henry to Fert Delawaro.

Implicit Confidence in the President. Representative J. W. Stokes, of South has decided that the State law 1.1 Carolina, has received a letter from General Joseph L. Stupplebein, com-manding the First Brigade, South Carolina Cavalry. After commending Mr. Stokes for his recent speech in Congress for the \$50,000,000 for the national defence, he adds: "The people of South Carolina stand ready and willing to shed their blood in defence of the Stars and Stripes, and if ever our people were united, they are today. We know no factional or party lines when the honor of the country is at stake. As you know, I command the largest body of cavalry in the United States. My command and I are at the service of the President, and while I understand that militia cannot be pressed into service for a longer period than ninety days, I now, through you, formally tender my services to the President in the volunteers for ninety months, if need be. The people have implicit confidence in the wisdom of the President at this critical moment, and feel that he will do the

Mr. Stokes presented General Stop-pelbein's letter to the President. Senate Investigation Postponed.

The Senate committee on nr of affairs had under consideration ' lution instructing it to make . . . estintion of the Maine disast . . . ad de-

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we imitated the Americans in publishing information as fast as received, only to deny it the following day. Admiral Bermejo declined to affirm or deny that the Spanish government had purchased the Chilian cruiser

A REVOLTING CRIME.

Unknown Parties Kill Henry Raines as He Was Kissing His Baby. A special to the Savannah Morning

News, from Quitman, Ga., says: Gne of the blackest crimes in the history or this county occurred twelve miles north of Quitman. An unknown party slipped up to the window of the house of Harry Raines, a prominent negro, and shot him and his two-year-old baby to death. Eleven buckshot entered Raines' head, four lodged in the baby, and twelve in the wall. Raines' wife was sitting between him and the window, and it is believed that the murderer intended to

A Florida Sheriff Killed.

At Defuniak Springs, Fla., Sheriff Marvel Manning, of Walton county, in attempting to arrest Arthur Perry, a negro, wanted for assault upon another of his race, was killed, the negro losing his life in the encounter. The sherill and his deputy, Wickersham, went to the house where the negro was sleep-The negro pulled a pistol from beneath the coveriot and fired four shots. The sheriff emptied his pistol, shots. The sheriff emptied his pistol, and Wickersham also took part in the affair, two of his bullets lodging in the negro's body. The sheriff was struck in the stomach, and lived only three

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY INVITED.

He May Be in Charlotte, N. C., on May 20th.

Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, on behalf of the pople of his State, has invited President McKinley to attend the celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, at Charlotte, N. C., May 20th. This is to be a great occasion in North Carolina. The people of that State, claim that the Mecklenburg Declaration of Inde-pendence, made May 20th, 1776, was the model for the Fourth of July declaration. A monument to the signers of the Macklenburg declaration is to be unveiled: President McKinley has promised to give the invitation consideration, with the hope that he may be able to attend.

nator Thurston's Wife Dies in Cuba. dispatch to the New York Eyening vield from Habaua says: "A teleon received by Consul General Lee 1 Consul Baker on the 14th says the of Senator Thurston died on board

An Editor Kalled.

nn Connolley, editor of the Plow published at East Point, Ga., shot and killed by J. G. Cox, a hman. The crime the result

SNAP SHOTS AT THE NEWS.

The South,

Georgia will be represented at the Omaha Exposition.

Nat Butler took the honors in the professional bicycle races at Jacksonville, Fla., on the 9th.

New port News, Va., is to have the largest dry dock in the world. It is to be 906x90 feet.

All street railways in Knoxville. Tenn., including the West End, will be merged in ten days.

At Augusta, Ga., Miss Nina El-dridge, a young woman of good family marries an old Chineman of 50, named Li Choy. Kentucky has found a supposed rival to the old famous Mammoth Cave. It

is called the Cavern Cave, a curious collocation considering the meaning of Alabama Republicans met at Calera and nominated Aldrich for re-election to Congress; re-affirmed the St. Louis

platform; endorsed McKinley and declared for Culan independence. Claude Lawrence, treasurer of the Atlanta (Ga.) Soda Company, committed suicide by taking sixty grains of morphine. Nothing is known as to the cause. His books are correct.

At Meridian, Miss., J. R. Royals, his wife and the latter's sister were poisoned by a servant, a 12-year-old negro bey; Royals and the young lady are at the point of death.

Near Talbetton, Ga., W. S. Brown, a prominent planter, shot and killed J. II. Miller. Brown is held by the corener for murder. The cause of the trag-

edy is kept a secret. ing railroad companies to provide separate coaches for white and colored

passengers was constitutional. At Blacksburg, S. C., will Humphries, white, in a quarrel over a game of eards, was shot and fatally wounded by Emanuel Earle, colored. The negro fled, but was captured. Humpries chances are against him.

The North.

The death penalty for larceny of over \$100 is to be imposed in Alaska.

William O. Hutchins, of Providence, R. 1., one of the best known manufacturing jowelers in the East, was shot and killed by a burglar.

John Wanamaker has consented to be the caudidate for the Business Republican League for Governor.

Charlos Reich and Thomas Flaherty, painters, were killed by the breaking of a rope on a platform at the eighth story of a building in New York. Five students have been dismissed from the State University, at Columbus,

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of New York, is a paretic patient Bloomingdale Asylum. Twenty miles of road tracks in Chica o will be ele I this summer.

e employment y of Sherman-the had divine town, Pa., who the nower and could fly ied it and is at the Eastern District Hospital, Brook

lyn, N. Y., suffering from internal in-juries and a broken leg. Roy Gehrig, of Milton, Pa., shot, and perhaps fatally, Will B. Davis, of St. Gair, Pa., at Miliersvine and then killed himself. They were both in love with the same girl, and he left a note saying it was a double suicide.

At Kansas City, Mo., horse meat was served at the annual banquet of the Kansas City Veterinary College. Though the spread was elaborate, not a morsel of ment other than the flesh of the horse was served. From soup to toget it was all lorse. The students and family who entired ground the

isogrammate merry and insisted that it With the disting. Wi, " Brath, manager of the Cen-Meses Company, of St. williet wound in the head. It was evidently weare of suicide. young man was taken to the city hospital, where he died. He is a relative pital, where he died. He is a relative of Perry S. Heath. Assistant Post-

Miscellaneous.

master General.

Sir Honry Ressemer, the celebrated inventor of Ressemer steel, is dead. Floods along the Grand and Thames Rivers in Western Ontario have left

over 1500 persons homeless. A bill before the. Maryland Legislature will increase the cost of a retail liquor liceuse to \$500.

Missouri's Democratic State Convention, called for Springfield on August 10, will have 72! delegates.

Bradstreet's report of business for the past week says business in the South is good, and the industrial trade may be improved by the ending of the New England cotton mill strike.

The St. Louis Union stock yards are to be sold to satisfy a deed of trust on the holdings of the company for \$150.

The negro, Will Tutt, who slew his wife for wanting to go to a barbecue, has been sentenced to be hanged at Mayfield, Ky.

A steel passenger steamer, to be launched at Wyandotte, Mich., will be christened America, in sympa-thy with the provailing public senti-The coasting steamer Eureka was

wrocked in sight of San Francisco. Cal. Her passengers were rescued and the storm's damage to shipping was \$200,000. The American and Pacific Express

Companies are about to consolidate. A Boston doctor, after a close study of diphtheria in 800 cases, finds anti-toxin reduces the death rate consider-

Washington Jottings. The house committee on rivers and harbors voted a to report a river

and harbor appropriation bill at this session. Bruce, Register of the Dlanch Treasury and

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SCRAPS OF NEWS.

thered From All Parts of This

Mundane Sphere. New York theatrical managers comain of dull business.

lugusta, Ca., Merry-Makers' Week o be from April 25 to 30 inclusive. he Debs co-operative common wealth founded its first coloney near Bel-

v. Leslie Cook, convicted at Ros-Va., of forgery, has been taken to positiontiary.

Nev Castle jail, Delaware, Md., broke out ith the aid of a fellow prisoner. Dr) George B. Morris, a weil-known

dentist, who died in Morganton, W. Va., left an estate valued at \$100,000. It appears that the strawberry erop in the eastern counties of North Carolina i set back two weeks by the cool weath r in February.

Revs Dr. Howerton, paster of the First tresbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C., classes playing progressive eachre for prizes as gambling.

Dr. J. M. Strong died in Mecklenburg county, North Carolina, of con-gestion of the lungs an hour after the attack. He was a Confederate surgeon of prominence.

In Frederick county, Maryland, Lealie Horine was shot and killed while engaged 14 serenading Mr. and Mr. Georget libbon, a newly married couple. Gibbon and his father are under arest. Up to Yarah 10th 65,000 people had passed through the car "City of Charlotte," that is out under the management of Jesses, Ramsent a. Moore

resources of att Carelina. The Goebel election bill has passed the Eoutneky House, 59 to 32, over the Governor's veto, and is now a law. During its passage two of the members,

During its passage two or the members, Depp and Elmore, ongaged in finitealls, but peace vas restored.

The Wilhington (N. C.) liter says; Mr. W. H. Wepp, the well-known fish dealer, gives the information that the catch of short this year is not marrly so catch of shad this year is not nearly large as the tish men would like it. This is owing to the want of freshets.

Considerable excitement exists in the oil fields above Chattaneoga, Tena., on the Cincinnati Southern Earlway. The Dayton Oil and Gas Company has just been formed with a capital stock of S200,000, and has secured a lease of 16,-000 acres of land. The company will bore for oil at once. A Washington special says: Representative Skinner, of North Caroline, has been informed that a life-saving

station is to be established at Ocracoke, N. C., and that a range light will be placed at the nouth of Alligator river, the order having been made by Chief of the Life-Saving Service Kimball. If the farmers of Rowan county,

North Caroline, prove that they can raise sugar beets successfully, a relinery for beet sugar will be established there by the government and the Southern Railway. The seeds have been ordered from Wasaington, and the cultivation of the sigar beet will be begun

The arrest of Henry Hilton, a moon-shiner, has brought to light a peculiar Breve McAtee a Missellville, Ark. their still hope of the still beat MeA to death. Hilton is now a raving manine and will be sent to the asylum.

An iron "combine" has been formed by the Southern iron furnace operators with a view of holding up the prices of iron. Those interested and the Chattanooga, Birmingham, Rockwood, Dayton, Bessemer and Anniston farnace operatives, and the price of No. i furnace iron placed at \$7.50 a ten. There was a general entting of prices prior to the agreement. The demand for iron is good at Chattanooga, Tenn. The Day-ton (Tenn.) furneces, with a daily out-put of over 225 tons, have just been "blown in." They give employment to 1,000 men, including those employed in the company's mine.

A special to the Charlotte, N. C.) Observer from Payetteville, it was: While the machinery was whitzing in the steam laundry of Messrs, Ledbetter, on Franklin street, a selection from inches in diame. four inches in diame revoca high rate of speed, v all to flinder fragments piercing t theors and roof, and one bury feet of diggin eds. The shi t de workman earth, where, after fc it remains undiscov rolled over and pinn the ground, whence e Cas rescu unhurt. One large count the wh landed in the yard landed in the yard D. J. V. Neill, nearly a quart, of a mile tant, on Dick street, 1 nel, o the sternation of the child on at play.

The Lion termone

In one of the many field of London there is ige curious and interes which not many, possi Yet it was held late 13 hundred and tifty-fir quially known as the delivery of the "lion" ser instituted in commercial cident which occurred Sir John Gayer, an c Lor.don town. Whia party in a desole the story goes, he as self confronted 1 TOH rated from his friends, hb: helplessness, and so knees, asking that God i him. Or raing, he was r the animal walking away So grateful was Sir J he believed to be a divin on his behalf that, on London, he set aside a c money that the annivers cape might every year by the distribution of gift and made arrangemen a sermon, it might

generations how of the lion inception.

St. Kathe