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NATIONAL TICKET

For President, ALTON B. PARKER, of New York.

For Vice-President, HENRY G. DAVIS, of West Virginia.

A Lynching Prevented.

Two Negroes Saved from a Mob by a Military Company of Wilmington N. C.

Special to News and Courier.

Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 6.—The timely intervention of a local militia company at the Atlantic Coast line station to-night, was all that prevented the lynching of Neil Sellers and Dave Brown, who are charged with the rape and murder of Mrs. George Parker, at Clarkton, last Saturday. The prisoners were being carried to Raleigh to be placed in the penitentiary, and a crowd of 500 excited citizens made a charge on the coach in which the negroes were held. Just as shouts were sent to "pull them out," the Wilmington Light Infantry was rushed under the shed and the excited and suaging mass made to fall back before charged bayonets of the soldiers. The troops were placed on both platforms of the car. The train was held twenty minutes by the mob, which clamored wildly for the prisoners. Soldiers accompanied the officers 80 miles for fear the negroes would be taken from the train and lynched for one of the blackest crime ever committed in the State. G. W. B.

Virginia Lynchers In Jail.

They Did Not Lynch Anybody, but They Tried to Lynch a Negro Murderer.

Danville, Va., September 7.—W. T. Harris, Wicker Armes, Dan H. Talley, Bud F. Pruitt, George C. Mills, R. J. Lynch and Whit Meyers were convicted today in the Corporation Court of being participants in the mob, when an attempt was made several weeks ago to lynch the negro Roy Seals, charged with murder, confined in the city jail. The men were sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and to serve a term of one day in jail. The men were recently convicted in the Mayor's Court and the jail sentence fixed at 60 days. The case was appealed to a higher Court. The men were marched out of the court room to the prison and will serve the time. They were placed in the same jail with the negro they attempted to lynch.

Mr. Heath Returns From Europe.

Mr. O. P. Heath of Monroe who has important business connections in this city, returned yesterday morning from a business trip to the cotton markets at Liverpool and Manchester, England. Mr. Heath left here about a month ago and spent ten days in England on purely business matters. He landed at New York Saturday morning from the steamer Campania.—Charlotte Chronicle.

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A Negro Fiend Attacks a White Girl.

Bravard, N. C.—About 12 30 o'clock today a young negro attempted an assault on a little 13 year old girl, the daughter of a prominent gentleman of New Orleans, who is spending the summer at a boarding house here with her uncle and aunt.

The girl, who has an attractive face and dark brown curls, was returning to her boarding house after getting the morning mail when she was accosted by a mulatto apparently about 21 years old, who insolently said: "Shake hands with me."

"I won't," she cried, and attempted to run in the opposite direction when he caught her by the throat and tried to choke her but she struggled and screamed, which frightened the negro who ran off, while her cries attracted the attention of some boys who were near the Bravard roller flouring mills owned and operated by Maj. Wm. E. Breese.

When they found her near the mills on the railroad track she was weeping and running distractedly, with her throat bearing the imprints of the negro's fingers, but fortunately he had been unable to accomplish his terrible purpose.

The child was brought to the Transylvania lodge where she was given every attention, while the alarm was given and in a few moments dozens of armed men excited, were scouring every section of country.

Did He Murder his own Wife?

Charlottesville, Va., Sept. 7. Ex-Mayor Samuel T. McCue was arrested this afternoon on the charge of wilfully and premeditatedly murdering his wife on the night of Sunday, September 4. The arrest was made while citizens generally were attending a public session of the coroner's jury which had rendered no verdict at midnight.

The warrant was sworn out by Police Justice A. D. Dabney and served by two policemen of the city. Mr. McCue made no resistance and is now in the city jail. When McCue was arrested he submitted to being searched by the officers and kissed his four children goodbye. He said to them:

"By the grace of God I will come out of this trouble all right." McCue stated that he was assaulted and his wife murdered on last Sunday night. His story immediately aroused suspicion. His testimony and that of others before the coroner's jury strengthened the suspicion against him and the arrest followed.

THE JURY CHARGES M'CUK WITH MURDER.

Charlottesville, Sept. 8.—At 6 o'clock this evening the seven representative business men comprising the coroner's jury investigating the McCue murder case returned the following verdict: "We find that Mrs. Fannie C. McCue came to her death by a gunshot wound in the chest inflicted by J. Samuel McCue, her husband."

September is here, and with its final "R" there comes the oyster. In November will come Judge Parker, the final letter of whose name is right along with oyster and November. As for Roosevelt, his name beginning with an "R" puts him in the soup tureen.—News and Observer.

—Mrs C. A. Deas and children left the city Saturday for Lancaster county to spend a short while with relatives.—Rock Hill Herald.

[For The Ledger. In Memory of Croxton Blackmon.

According to the providence, wisdom and purpose of God, which are obscure to mankind, the Lord sent the Death angel arrayed in the apparel of death unto the happy home of Mr. Preston Blackmon Aug 4, 1904, and called away his youngest son, Croxton. He was the joy and light of that happy home, and specially was he the joy of a mothers heart who loved him so well. God raise us all to higher things, "to a house not made with hands, "eternal in the Heavens."

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Death is very sad indeed when it comes and takes one so young. We can say whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth. God seeth and doeth all things well. We grieve not as those who have no hope. He bore his suffering with a willing heart. He wanted to get well if it was God's will, if not he said the will of the Lord be done.

Oh! if we all could say the will of the Lord be done. How beautiful it is to see one on his dying bed never murmur but say God's will be done.

Croxton was a bright promising young man, loved by all who knew him.

"How joyful is the hope that lingers.

When loved ones cross death's sea, That we, when all earth's toils are ended, With thee shall ever be."

He has crossed the dark and mystic river of death, which we all have got to cross, and may we hear God's voice calling come up higher. Croxton's loving relatives and friends are at the same river brink only waiting to cross over too into that happy home. We believe and hope that Croxton is basking in the sunshine of a Savior's love; and we too, hope some day to go to him where we can sing around the throne with Jesus.

One precious to our hearts is gone, The voice we loved is stilled; Our Father in his wisdom called, The boon his love had given.

Round thy grave our hearts linger; Till the setting sun is low, Feeling our hopes have perished With the flower we cherished so.

On some fond breast the parting soul relies, Some pious drops the closing eyes requires; E'en from the tomb the voice of Nature cries E'en in our ashes live their wonted fires.

Fare ye well dear brother till we see thy heavenly face. The sad, stricken friends and relatives have the sympathy and prayers of the writer. Young Lady Friend.

Robbed County Treasurer.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 7.—Burglars made a raid in Yadkinville, Yadkin county, N. C., last night. They blew open the safe of County Treasurer J. A. Logan in his store and secured between \$8,000 and \$10,000. The safe in the postoffice was also blown open. Postmaster McMakie reports that over \$410 was stolen. The burglars secured tools from a blacksmith shop in the town. County Treasurer Logan offers a reward of \$2,000 for the capture of the burglars and money.

MONEY TO LOAN

I have made arrangement with lenders of money in New York City, with whom I am able to negotiate loans secured by first mortgage on improved cotton farms, at 7 per cent. interest—repayable in annual installments of five years. No brokerage or commission charged. Only a reasonable charge for abstract of title. R. E. WYLLIE, Attorney at Law. Aug 31—6m.

A WORD TO THE PUBLIC.

A KNOCK OUT

Is what we are striving for, to down all competitors and our aim is to help and to promote the interest of every customer that patronizes us, by giving him or her the lowest prices for the least money. No quotations or prices, for we do not approve of such, as we have seen so much deceptive advertisements; pricing you so much the yard and at 1-2 the value they claim. We don't utter nonsensical talk to the intelligent people, but will say that we have to have a little profit-enough to live on, but bear in mind this one fact, and it will be backed by honesty and integrity, that we will make you you prices lower than any of our competitors and what we say are facts, which can not be controverted.

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-Heath Banking & Mercantile Co.- LANCASTER S. C.