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GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed Outside the State.

In a disastrous freight wreck near Wheeler's, Tenn., on the Mobile and Ohio railroad, on Monday, three men were killed.

The American Bankers' Association is in session in San Francisco. The convention is attended by thousands of financiers from all parts of the country.

The Alaskan decision has been signed in London. The decision grants practically all the American contentions. Two of the Canadian commissioners refused to sign, but it was signed by a majority and is therefore final.

By the death of Gordon McKay, millionaire inventor of the shoe-making machinery, which occurred at Newport, R. I., on Monday, it is understood that Harvard University becomes enriched by something like \$4,000,000.

A steamer loaded with wheat and carrying a crew of twenty-two and fourteen passengers struck on Blanco reef out of Marshfield, Ore., Monday evening during a heavy fog. Of those on board seventeen have reached shore. The others are not yet accounted for.

The Southern has suffered another wreck. In a head-on collision on its line between Keysville and Meherrin, Va., on Monday, four trainmen were instantly killed and five injured. Each train was crowded with passengers who suffered from the shock.

The lifeless body of a well-dressed man about 40 years of age, was found in his room at the Portland hotel, in St. Louis, Mo., on Monday. From letters found it is known the dead man is Spofford J. Moore, of Kershaw, S. C. From signs on his body it is believed he committed suicide.

A sensational shooting affair occurred near Kinston, N. C., on Monday. Mrs. Richard Ward went to Cook E. Stroud, from whom she was divorced two years ago, and demanded possession of her children. Stroud refused to give them up and a quarrel ensued, in which several shots were exchanged, both parties being injured, but neither seriously.

The Maryland Trust company, heavy backers of Mexican railway securities, and the Union Trust company, fiscal agents for the South and Western railway in Virginia, both failed on Monday, the two failures succeeding each other in rapid succession and causing great excitement in Baltimore financial circles. The total liabilities of the two companies exceed ten million dollars. Money was promptly shipped into Baltimore and the situation was relieved.

The United States circuit court at Little Rock, Ark., has granted an order restraining members of the local branch of the Brotherhood of Railway Expressmen, who are out on a strike, from interfering in any manner with the new employes of the Pacific Express Co. It is reported from Houston Tex., that two of the new employes of this company were pulled from the express car there and compelled to stay off.

By the breaking of a steel cable, carrying carrying five beams to their position from a barge below to a bridge in process of construction over the Monongahela river, at Pittsburg, Pa., letting the beams fall upon the movable cranes, more than a dozen workmen were hurled to death on Monday by a fall of more than 100 feet, striking the water and two barges beneath. Many more were injured and part of the bridge is a total wreck.

W. Y. Hoskins, who killed John Robertson, in Memphis, Tenn., several months ago, has been acquitted of the charge of murder. This case has attracted wide-spread interest because of the plea of the defense, the line of which was that Hoskins shot Robertson to prevent him from killing Mrs. Robertson. Hoskins was disinterested spectator of the difficulty and killed the man when the woman's life became endangered.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed In the State.

David Toomey, colored, shot and instantly killed Bub Allen, colored, in a negro barber shop in Greenville on Saturday night.

Charleston heads the list of naval estimates for 1905, as approved by Secretary Moody. The estimate for the Charleston navy yard is \$951,500.

Mrs. B. R. Tillman, who was painfully wounded recently in a runaway, it is reported from Trenton, is getting along well. For several days she was critically ill and up until a week ago it was feared her injuries would result fatally. It is thought now, however, that all danger is past.

John Dendy a noted negro desperado of Greenville county, was shot last week and seriously wounded by Constable Davenport, of the constabulary force, in a hand-to-hand encounter. Constable Davenport, who was in search of an illegal distillery, had entered the negro's house after being satisfied from looking in the window and observing the negro handling liquor, that he was connected with the distillery he was seeking.

To State Fair via C., N. & L.

The C., N. & L. will run special trains to Columbia on account of the State Fair on Wednesday, the 28th, Thursday, the 29th, Friday, the 30th, and Saturday, the 31st, leaving Newberry at 8 o'clock in the morning, and returning leaving Columbia at 6.30 p. m., except on Friday night when the train will be held until 10 p. m. in order to give ample time to witness the Trades Display parade. The price of tickets for the round trip, including admission to the fair grounds, will be \$2.04; except on Saturday when the exceedingly low rate of \$1.74 is offered on account of Barnum & Bailey's circus in Columbia that day. Tickets on sale October 24-30, inclusive, good to return until November 2d.

An Old Negro Dead.

Vaughanville, October 22.—Ann Grigsby, colored, died on October 19. She was far above the average negro woman, and was well thought of by the white people. She lived on Mr. J. W. Matthews' place for twenty-five years. X.

THE WHAM MURDER TRIAL.

John G. Wham Enters a Plea of Self-Defense—Case Was Concluded Wednesday.

Laurens, S. C., October 21.—The case of the State vs. John G. Wham, charged with the murder of L. W. Ramage on the 9th of last July, was called in the criminal court here yesterday morning. The court house was packed and jammed all day yesterday and again today.

The case is fresh in the minds of the public. Wham, in his own yard, shot Ramage, when Ramage had called upon him to demand an explanation of his conduct towards his (Ramage's) niece. Wham, after the shooting, escaped, but later returned to Laurens and surrendered. The parties both lived near Clinton.

Ramage claimed that Wham had written a note to his niece, signing the name of a young lady visitor at his house, asking her to come over and spend the day with him. The note was discovered by the young lady's mother, who took her daughter and proceeded to Wham's house to demand an explanation. Wham is a married man and his family were away from home spending the day. Wham admitted that he was the author of the missile. A few days later, Ramage, the young lady's uncle, went to Wham to demand an explanation. Ramage was standing in Wham's yard when Wham shot him dead.

Wham on the stand swore that he shot Ramage in self defense; that Ramage was standing with his pistol drawn within ten feet of him when he presented his rifle and fired. The case was concluded today. The verdict has not yet been rendered.

FATAL RACE RIOT.

Negroes Near New Orleans Defy Authority and Suffer the Consequences.

New Orleans, October 20.—As a result of a bloody encounter between a band of negroes, led by a white man, and a constable's posse, three negroes have been killed and seven or eight wounded, in the rear of Pecan plantation, in St Charles Parish. None of the posse was hurt. The surviving negroes and their white leader, Pat McGee, fled to the swamp and are being searched for. Further trouble is feared.

McGee and the negroes have been working for the Mississippi Valley Railroad. Several days ago complaint was lodged against them that they had contracted debts and refused to pay. Charges were made and Constable Songy went out to see the negroes. On his way he met John Hinds, a negro assistant of McGee, who covered him with a shotgun and commanded him to keep away from the camp. Songy returned to St Rose and organized a posse. Near the camp the posse encountered eighteen of the negroes and McGee, all heavily armed. Both parties concealed themselves in the high weeds and a battle of twenty minutes resulted. The negroes and McGee finally lost their nerve and fled. The bodies of three of the negroes were picked up when the smoke cleared away. Several negroes were wounded.

SAFE-BLOWERS AT WORK.

Masked Men Make Unsuccessful Attempts to Secure Money Near Bennettsville.

News and Courier. Bennettsville, October 21.—Last night after midnight three masked men called at the central telephone office at McColl, this county, and covered Mr. Hood, the operator, with pistols, securely tied him, took him with them down-stairs into the bank. They placed him in the rear room and then made five unsuccessful attempts to blow open the large safe with explosives. After their failure the operator was placed in the iron vault and locked up, where he was found and liberated this morning. Had an entrance been made to the safe several thousand dollars would have been secured. Officers with bloodhounds have been in pursuit of the safe blowers today.

EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS.

The 58th Congress Will Meet on Monday, November 9, to Consider Cuban Treaty.

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation calling the Fifty-eighth congress in extraordinary session November 9 at 12 o'clock. The proclamation states that the purpose of the session is to consider a commercial convention between the United States and Cuba, which will require the approval of congress.

THE C., N. & L. ROAD.

Annual Meeting Stockholders—H. C. Moseley Re-Elected Vice-President and M. A. Carlisle Director.

The stockholders of the Columbia, Newberry and Little Rock road held their annual meeting in Columbia Tuesday. The report of President Childs showed the road to be in a flourishing financial condition. The road during the year has purchased a large amount of rolling stock and passenger cars, and now is fully equipped with locomotives and cars. All of the old officers were re-elected for the coming year as follows: W. G. Childs, president; H. C. Moseley, vice president; T. H. Gibbes, secretary. The directors of the roads are: W. G. Childs, H. C. Moseley, W. H. Lyles, James Woodrow, W. T. Martin, M. A. Carlisle, E. St. John, Portsmouth; J. Skelton Williams, Richmond; Harry Walters, Baltimore; J. R. Kenly, Wilmington, and W. G. Elliott, Wilmington.

ASSASSINS WORKED CHEAPLY.

Amounts Said to Have Been Paid Serbian Officers Who Killed King and Queen.

Vienna, October 21.—A story is published here to the effect that the Serbian army officers who assassinated King Alexander and Queen Draga received payment as follows: The Queen's brother-in-law, Col. Machin, now commander of the Belgrade and Danube divisions of the army, \$6,000. Col. Mischitch, recently departmental chief of the ministry of war, and two others, \$4,800. Junior officers from \$400 to \$1,000. M. Avakumovich, for undertaking the leadership of the provisional government, \$10,000. There is no confirmation of the story.

DEATH OF G. D. TILLMAN.

Youngest Son of the Late Congressman G. D. Tillman Passed Away on Tuesday.

Clark's Hill, October 21.—Mr. George D. Tillman, aged 23 years, youngest son of the late Hon. Geo. D. Tillman, died at his home here at 7 o'clock last night. He attended the Citadel Academy, at Charleston, and was one of the most popular students in his class. He was Court stenographer of the 3d judicial circuit for a number of years and colonel on Governor McSweeney's staff. All of his immediate family were with him when he passed away, except Judge and Mrs. O. W. Buchanan, who were detained in Winnsboro on account of a sick child, who has typhoid fever. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at this place, after which his body will be interred beside the grave of his father.

TROTTER RECORD AGAIN BROKEN.

Creceus Again Holds World's Record, Having Gone a Mile in Less Than Two Minutes.

Creceus broke the world's trotting record for a mile on the Wichita, Kans., track Monday afternoon, going the distance in 1.59 3-4, beating the previous record held by Lou Dillon and Major Delmar by a quarter of a second.

The day was ideal and the track could not have been better.

He broke when he first scored for the word but on the next attempt was sent off, going the first quarter in thirty seconds flat. There was a cheer when he reached the half in 59 3-4, and when the three-quarters was passed in 1.30 the cheer became an uproar. Just before he reached the wire Creceus broke and it is believed lost fully three-quarters of a second. He caught handily and flashed under the wire in 1.59 3-4. No wind shield was used. Creceus was paced by Mike the Tramp.

THE PAINLESS TOOTH EXTRACTOR.

The Case Against Dr. Harding in the Richmond Court Continued—C. I. Blease of Counsel.

Columbia, October 20.—Much time was taken up in the circuit court this morning with arguments for a continuance of the case against Dr. Geo. R. Harding, a dentist of this city, who has been indicted by the State dental board on the charge of practicing without a license. Dr. Harding has as his counsel A. M. Boozer, of this city, and Cole L. Blease, of Newberry, and they asked for a continuance on the ground of the absence of material witnesses and also on the ground that Dr. Harding was suffering from heart disease. Jno. J. Earle, counsel for the dental association, opposed the granting of a continuance and asked that the case be tried at once, stating that Dr. Harding would be suffering from heart disease at the next term of court and that the defendant had time enough to get the witnesses here. Judge McCullough granted the request for continuance.

Dr. Harding is well known in Newberry, having had considerable practice during his appointments here.