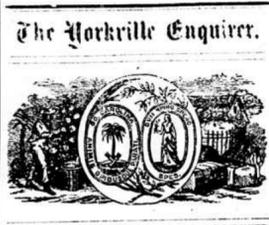


Scraps and Facts.

The Panama Junta held a meeting Thursday and decided to ratify the recently negotiated isthmian canal treaty immediately upon its arrival.

liberty and the very best terms that could be obtained. I could not obtain these terms without consenting to guarantee the integrity and neutrality of the territory; and in fact it seemed to me, upon reflection, that in order to preserve the rights and privileges thus ceded it would be both the policy, the interest, and the duty of the United States thus to enter into an obligation to protect them.



YORKVILLE, S. C. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1903.

WHILE the confirmation of the appointment of Gen. Wood to be a major general is under consideration in the senate, he is out killing Moros. He killed some 300 last week and lost less than half a dozen men. The senate will no doubt give him the benefit of his prowess.

THE New York World wants to know why the United States should pay Panama \$10,000,000 cash in addition to the rental of \$250,000 a year for the right to dig the canal? It calls attention to the fact that this country is to pay all expenses, keep the route clear of disease, and benefit Panama more in proportion than this country is to be benefited.

MURPHY, the manager of the recent successful Democratic campaign in New York, is quoted as saying that Grover Cleveland could carry New York state and other Democrats say that he could carry New Jersey and Massachusetts. The opinion seems to be growing throughout the country that he is the most available man the Democrats have and that if he should be nominated his election would follow almost certainly.

WITHOUT expressing any opinion on the question as to whether we think the plaintiff is actually entitled to damages, we desire to commend the jury in the case of S. W. Mitchell vs. the Woodmen of the World and to say that it is composed of men of whom York county has a right to be proud. The case was conducted ably on both sides; with conspicuous ability we can truthfully say. So far as counsel are concerned, it was as clean a case as has ever been presented in the York county court house.

FOR LAW AND ORDER. Organization to Strike at Crime and its Causes. The executive committee of the law and order league, which was organized in Columbia during fair week has issued the following address: To the People of South Carolina: The executive committee of the State Temperance Law and Order League, in the discharge of the duty imposed on them, would address to their fellow citizens a few considerations and conclusions as to the deplorable condition of lawlessness existing in the state, a condition well calculated to humiliate us in our own eyes and degrade us in the estimation of the civilized world.

It is sufficient to call attention to the fact that 180 homicides are reported in the daily papers as committed in this state for the nine months ending September 30 of the current year, to show that a terrible state of lawlessness exists and to justify the most earnest and strenuous efforts on the part of law-respecting citizens to correct it.

the increase, while efforts to repress them by the ordinary processes of law seem to be singularly ineffective.

It is scarcely necessary to recite the catalogue of these crimes against morality and good order. They are known and read of all men. The laws of God and man are violated with impunity as witnessed by the desecration of the Sabbath, the profanation of the sanctuary of God by scenes of drunkenness, disorder and bloodshed, the violations of the criminal law, and the shameful violation of the dispensary law in all its restrictive and prohibitive provisions.

Under these conditions it becomes a proper enquiry for thoughtful men what is the cause of this disordered condition of society, and to seek to discover a remedy therefor.

The most painful feature of the situation is to be found in the general indifference on the part of the better element to assume their part in the enforcement of law, and their refusal or neglect to support those appointed agents who are charged with its enforcement.

We believe it the duty of good citizens of all classes, and especially of Christians, to aid in the enforcement of all laws which have been placed on the statute books by their sanction, and that their neglect or refusal to discharge their duty in this respect is the chief encouragement and support to lawlessness.

We commend his excellency, Governor Heyward, for his sincere effort to enforce the dispensary law, and declare it to be one of the purposes of our organization to render all available aid and encouragement to him and his officers in their laudable endeavor.

In a word we would call upon our fellow citizens to come promptly and boldly to the rescue of our state from the perilous position in which we have been placed by suffering a small minority of law breakers to imperil every true interest of the people by their criminal conduct.

For this purpose we would urge upon the people in every county and community to unite with us in organized effort by forming themselves into leagues for the purposes set forth in the simple form of organization which is herewith submitted.

J. W. HAMEL, Chairman. HOWELL MORRELL, Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Nomination of Harris. The senate has confirmed the nomination of Postmaster Harris of Charleston. Washington dispatches indicate that the nomination of Crum will be confirmed also.

Death of Arthur P. Smith. Arthur P. Smith, son of the late J. Harvey Smith of Chester, died at his home in Chester at 1 o'clock yesterday morning of consumption. He was twenty-six years of age and quite popular.

Suicide at Fort Lawn. Charles Abernathy of Fort Lawn, Chester county, blew his brains out last Thursday, with suicidal intent. The deed was committed in the presence of several companions, with a pistol drawn from the hip pocket.

Bank Burglars at Brunson. The bank at Brunson, S. C., was robbed by safe-blowers last Tuesday night. They secured about \$300, from one safe. The other, a Mosler screw door, which contained most of the money, was not interfered with. Five men were seen to leave the bank shortly after the robbery; but they were not arrested. Two suspicious characters were subsequently arrested near Fairfax; but there seems to be no proof against them.

Contractor is Missing. Union special of Wednesday to the Charlotte Observer: Some half dozen business men and equally as many laborers, would like to know the whereabouts of F. M. Johnson, a contractor, who, it is alleged, skipped from the city and state, Saturday last, after drawing the money to pay off his laborers and bills, but having failed to do so. The last seen of him he is supposed to have purchased a ticket to Knoxville, Tenn. Up until this time his credit or character were never brought into question. He has a family here, with several children.

Garnishee Law Wanted. Columbia correspondence of the News and Courier: The Retail Merchants' association here, as well as similar organizations in the state, will attempt to have the next legislature pass a garnishee law. A prominent labor leader here said today that the labor unions throughout the state would oppose such legislation and would have a lobby to work against the passage of such a bill. He said the unions did not object to its members being compelled to pay their debts, but he seemed to think that such a law might lead to extortion on the part of unscrupulous merchants and result in a combination between employers and merchants which would not be good for the employee. The retail merchants will exert every endeavor to have the law passed.

JUST LIKE HIM.—Senator Benjamin Ryan Tillman, the unique and distinguished South Carolina senator, passed through Charlotte this morning en route from Washington to his home at Edgefield. After passing the compliments of the day, a Chronicle reporter asked the senator why he was in such a hurry to get away from Washington and return home. "Why, young man, everybody is leaving Washington now, that is, all the Democrats are. The Republicans are staying just as a matter of form, because the constitution says that congress is in session. Everybody is glad enough to get away from Washington, anyway. There's a bomb lying right in the middle of the house that's going to blow some of these days and blow 'em all to h—," continued the senator. It is presumed that he referred to certain Republicans for whom he has a special antipathy.

The reporter suggested that Senator Tillman might enlighten him on the settlement of the Panama question. "How long will it be until the matter is settled?" was the question propounded. "Oh, the devil, how do I know? It's too far off to talk about."—Charlotte Chronicle, Wednesday.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. A. Burns, Adm'r.—Will on December 16, expose to public sale the personal property belonging to estate of R. R. Beatty, deceased.

First National Bank.—Says there is no safer place in South Carolina to deposit your money. It especially solicits the accounts of farmers.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The reduced rates on the Southern railroad have been highly acceptable to the crowd of witnesses who had to come down from Hickory Grove and vicinity this week. Many of them, instead of remaining over night, found it more convenient and even cheaper to spend their nights at home.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

As forecasted in our last issue, the case of S. W. Mitchell vs. the Woodmen of the World, consumed the time of the court until Wednesday night, and in fact until Thursday morning.

The trial followed the same general lines that were laid down at the two previous hearings, about the only new testimony being some additional evidence on the subject of the plaintiff's injuries having been the result of typhoid fever. A Negro servant who had waited on him during his illness with fever, testified to that effect, and another witness swore that the plaintiff had virtually confided the fact to him on one occasion, sometime previous to his initiation into the order of Woodmen of the World.

The plaintiff was not disposed to admit the truth of testimony as to there having been any prior cause of the injury complained of; but insisted that if there had been such prior cause, the rough usage alleged at the initiation was the exciting cause from which the damage claim resulted.

The arguments consumed the greater part of Wednesday, and after listening to Judge Townsend's very clear and comprehensive charge the jury retired in the afternoon. It remained out all night, and there seemed to be every probability of a mistrial. In fact, when the judge arrived yesterday morning the jurors were really anxious that he permit a mistrial to be entered. His honor gave them to understand, however, that they had plenty of time, and he would have to send them back.

In something more than an hour afterward the jury returned again with a verdict. It was in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,000.

The story on the street is to the effect that the first poll of the jury after its retirement resulted four for the plaintiff and eight for the defendant. So it stood all night, with a few changes over to the four, and in the final compromise the four yielded something in the amount they thought the plaintiff should have.

The jury were a tired, sleepy looking set when they secured their dismissal, and most of them no doubt spent Thanksgiving in securing some badly needed sleep.

Counsel for the defense has not yet intimated whether it will carry the case any further; but the general impression seems to be that the matter will be allowed to drop where it is. The costs in the case foot up considerably, and probably amount to as much as the verdict.

Upon the resumption of business this morning the first case taken up was that of W. C. Latimer vs. the York Cotton Mills. The plaintiff is asking for pay for services in accordance with an alleged contract. This is the second trial of the case. At the first trial the plaintiff got a verdict; but the supreme court reversed the court below, and the proceedings have been commenced anew. The case will take up the greater part of today and may run into tomorrow.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Mr. H. C. Strauss left this morning for Charleston on business. Mr. H. T. Grist of Rock Hill, spent Thanksgiving in Yorkville. Miss Mary Lyles of Chester, is the guest of Miss Mamie Moore. Mr. Frank Deal of Blacksburg, is the guest of Mr. R. L. Parish. Mr. Robert W. Adams of Gastonia, visited friends here this week. Miss Bessie Baber of Gastonia, is the guest of Mrs. R. E. Montgomery this week. Miss Minnie Wilson of Rock Hill, is in Yorkville, the guest of Miss Helen Lowry. Mrs. Sarah C. Ashe is spending a few days with relatives in Camden. Miss Minnie Fortune of Forest City, N. C., is visiting the family of Mr. J. J. Hunter. Dr. W. M. Kennedy and Mr. Carl Latimer of Chester, spent Thanksgiving in Yorkville. Mr. E. O. DePass of Columbia was in the city Tuesday, the guest of Mr. M. H. Jennings. Mr. W. F. Marshall has just returned from a visit to the tobacco regions

of the eastern part of the state, and reports that the people over that way are very much discouraged. Prices are low—about half what they were last year—and crops are short.

Miss Bessie Adams of Clover, was the guest of Mrs. A. Y. Cartwright on Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Mattie Caldwell of Clover, is visiting in Yorkville, the guest of Dr. A. Y. Cartwright's family.

Miss Elise Stokes of Gastonia, is spending a few days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Stokes.

Miss Alice Woods of High Point, N. C., is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Woods.

Misses Kitty Stewart of Rock Hill, and Bertha Stahn of Chester are spending a few days with the Misses Parish.

Misses Susie Mills, Strauss Walker and Carrie Beard of Winthrop College, are spending a few days with relatives in Yorkville.

Mrs. D. A. Matthews and children, of Clover, are visiting relatives and friends in Yorkville. They will return to Clover tomorrow morning.

Miss Nellie Schorb, who is a student of Erskine college, and Mr. J. McMillan Schorb of Clemson college, were at home to attend the Schorb-Kell marriage.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Massilia Ashe to Mr. John A. Harshaw. The ceremony is to take place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Eliza Ashe of McConellsville, on the afternoon of December 2, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. A. Jackson of Tirzah, visited her son, Mr. W. L. Jackson near Yorkville last week and came to Yorkville to do some shopping. It was the first time she had been to Yorkville or any other market in thirty years. She enjoyed the visit, however, very much.

Mr. John W. Linley, formerly of Hickory Grove, but now of Anderson, was in Yorkville this week as a witness in the case of Mitchell vs. the Woodmen. His many friends will be glad to know that he is making progress in his work at Anderson, and has won considerable advancement since he went there.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss May Wilson of Manning to Dr. Charles Frederick Williams of Columbia. The ceremony is to take place in the Presbyterian church at Manning on Tuesday, December 8. The bride to be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Wilson of Manning. She has visited in Yorkville, the guest of Misses Bessie Barron, Daisy Williams and other relatives, and has many friends and acquaintances here. Dr. Williams is a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Williams of Yorkville, and formerly practiced medicine here. After spending about two years in the United States army medical service in the Philippines, he located in Columbia, where he has built up quite a satisfactory practice.

WITHIN THE TOWN.

The police made thirteen arrests on Wednesday. The charge in most cases was "drunk and disorderly."

There has been much drunkenness in town during the week; but the police have done good work in keeping it well under control.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Church of the Good Shepherd yesterday. The collection, which was quite a good one, was for the benefit of the Charleston orphanage.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Quinn of the York Cotton mill, was painfully burned last Wednesday. The accident occurred while she was warming before the fire.

The young men of the town and the cadets of the K. M. M. A. gave quite a nice little dance at the opera house on Thanksgiving night, complimentary to the visiting young ladies. About twenty couples were present.

The Union Thanksgiving services in the Presbyterian church yesterday were but slightly attended; but the congregation had quite an entertaining and instructive sermon by Rev. Dr. J. L. Stokes. The collection went to the various denominational orphanages.

The cotton mills shut down yesterday on account of Thanksgiving. It is the first time the York mills have ever shut down for this holiday; but the operatives were anxious to take in the street fair, and Superintendent Grimes decided to give them twenty-four hours off. Superintendent James of the Tavora, also allowed his employees the same privilege.

There was no general suspension of business yesterday. The banks were closed during the day, and holiday hours were observed by the post-office, the telegraph and express offices and telephone central. The stores generally were open, and it was a good thing for the crowds of people who were in town from the country. Otherwise many would have suffered from the bitter cold.

A Negro pickpocket was captured by Policeman Whitener during Wednesday afternoon. Credit for the detection of the fellow belongs to Mr. Sam Leech of Hickory Grove. Mr. Leech felt a hand in the neighborhood of his hip pocket where he had his money, and caught the Negro in the act. He pointed the fellow out to Policeman Whitener, who promptly made the arrest. The alleged pickpocket gave his name as Robert Johnson, and he proved to be a follower of the show; but the showmen disclaim all responsibility for him. He was locked up.

The American Saxophone Quartette Concert company, which is to play a return engagement in the Graded school auditorium tomorrow night, is conceded to be the finest musical attraction that has ever visited Yorkville. That is the opinion of all the local musical critics, and it is because of this that Superintendent Walker has taken advantage of an opportunity to secure a return engagement. Tomorrow night's entertainment is outside the Lyceum course and the programme will be different from that rendered by the company on its previous visit.

Miss Mary E. Schorb, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Schorb, was married yesterday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock to Dr. T. B. Kell of Fudges, Chester county. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents and was performed by Rev.

A. S. Rogers of Rock Hill, assisted by Rev. W. G. Neville of Yorkville. The groom was accompanied to Yorkville by Dr. J. E. Massey, Jr., and Mr. T. L. Kell of Rock Hill. These and a few other close relatives and special friends of the young people constituted the witnesses. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kell left on the southbound Carolina and North-Western train for their home at Fudges.

Quite an enjoyable affair was the supper that was given by the Woodmen of the World in their hall last Wednesday night. Over 200 invited guests were present, most of them Woodmen and it was about as representative a gathering as is often to be seen in these parts. There was a little speech making; but not a great deal. Congressman Finley who presided, made a few pleasant remarks, and Mr. H. C. Broome, general counsel of the order, delivered an interesting and entertaining address. He was applauded liberally. The supper commenced at about 8:30 o'clock. It consisted principally of roast turkey, birds, possum, etc., with the necessary accompaniments. There was nothing to drink stronger than coffee, and while there was plenty of life and fun, there was not the slightest suggestion of boisterousness on the part of anybody present. The feast was excellently prepared and admirably served, and so bountiful that there was much left over after everybody had eaten their fill.

The question as to what the people may think about it after it is all over, will be a subject for consideration later on; but viewing the situation only in the light of existing conditions, there is no doubt of the fact that during the week the Columbus Carnival company has commanded a full share of public interest not only in Yorkville but in the country surrounding, and the various attractions from "Lunette, the Flying Lady," down to "throw the Ball in the Bucket," have been getting their full share of nickels, dimes and quarters.

As stated in the last issue of THE ENQUIRER, the aggregation did not arrive until Monday afternoon, and consequently was not able to pull itself into shape in time to entertain the crowds that had gathered for that day; but the managers of the various attractions certainly wasted no time in preparing for the harvest they found so ripe and ready in waiting. There was lots of work to be done in preparing most of the attractions; but by Tuesday afternoon all but two or three were in full swing, and they were ready for business by Wednesday.

The crowds from the town and country began to flock to the fair on Tuesday night, and the number of visitors increased during Wednesday and yesterday. Hundreds of people have been coming in from the surrounding country by private conveyance, and as many more have come from the north, east, south and west by rail. The town has been literally overrun with visitors, and as yet there has been but little abatement in the popular interest. The outlook is that the people are going to see the thing out to the end.

The most notable feature of the fair, probably is its size—the number of attractions and their character—rather than their merit. There are some that are good, and well worth the price of admission. Others are commonplace, very commonplace; but nevertheless owing to the generally good humored frivolity that has become the prevailing disposition, everything goes. Even the man who has nothing to offer but the privilege of throwing baseballs into a hole at three throws for 10 cents, has been getting a liberal share of the silver stream which has been pouring out among all the show people and fakirs in a seemingly endless flow.

The entire aggregation is under the general management of what is called the Columbus Carnival company, Bert Hoss and J. Gross, proprietors. These have the contract with the town council to furnish the attractions and to give to the local fire company 10 per cent of the door receipts. The different attractions and amusements have their contracts with Messrs. Hoss and Gross, paying stipulated sums for the concessions they enjoy. This is the case with all except the free entertainment furnished by Prof. Sanders, the high diver, who has a contract direct with the management for so many jumps per week.

According to the respective proprietors each and every one has his "only first class show on the midway"; but the estimates of the public are rather more discriminating. Some of the shows are well worth the price of admission, while others impress the visitor with the idea that he is out of time and money, and while in some cases he is still a little doubtful, in others he is quite certain that he has not gotten the value of his outlay. But still nobody seems to be disappointed. His curiosity is satisfied, and it is that much.

Two of the most popular attractions are "Fairlyland" and "Lunette, the Flying Lady." They have both been playing to "crowded houses," and are leaving their patrons in a good humor. Moving picture outfits furnish the basis of both entertainments—entirely so in the case of one, and largely so in the case of the other. "Fairlyland" is a moving picture of the adventures and achievements of the prince in following up and rescuing the princess who had been carried off and imprisoned by the wicked witch. It is a pretty story full of interest, and remarkably well presented. The flying lady is the main feature of the other show and no one has gone away disappointed. There is not much of it; but it is mystifying. The audience is treated to the spectacle of a woman moving about in the air. She rises and falls, moves from side to side, backwards and forwards with an ease and grace which creates wonder and astonishment. The audience indulges in all kinds of speculations as to how the thing is done. After one has become pretty well satisfied that the secret lies in invisible wires manipulated with pulleys, the manager passes what seems to be a heavy iron hoop around the

woman, over and under, and then throws it to the floor with a rumble that leaves no doubt as to its solidity or weight. Then the mind runs to the idea of refractory illusions; but when the woman steps to the front and shakes hands with all who may desire the privilege, this idea is also dispelled.

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Condition of Mr. G. L. Riddle. The condition of Mr. G. L. Riddle is quite serious. Blood poisoning set in on Wednesday, and the attending physicians decided that it would be necessary to amputate his leg. After other consultation, however, they came to the conclusion that his case seemed hopeless and the idea of amputation has been abandoned. The news of this morning is to the effect that the condition of the patient is extremely critical.

MERE-MENTION.

A bill has been introduced in the house to make the barter or sale of political influence a crime punishable with imprisonment of not less than six months nor more than five years. A lunatic made a murderous attack on Mr. Kenneth Grahame, secretary of the bank of England, last Tuesday. He fired four shots at Mr. Grahame. He was disarmed with a fire hose. It is announced that Eugene F. Ware is to resign his office as commissioner of pensions because he is disgusted with the position.