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## IN GREAT DOUBT.

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and Kentucky are Close.

MARYLAND IS ALL RIGHT.

Boss Hanna's Trust Speech is Helping the Democrats in Ohio and McLeanlis Gaining.

The New York Herald publishes a forecast of the state elections to be held November 7, in Ohio, Kentucky, Iowa, Nebraska, Maryland, Virginia, Massachusetts and other states, in which it undertakes to indicate how the several states will go. The Herald's investigations show that the result in several of the states is very doubtful, and that either party may reasonably claim the advantage. This is regarded as significant, as few of the Republican or Independent papers concede that the Democrats have any show in Ohio or Iowa or Nebraska. OHIO.

As to Uhio, The Herald says: "It is estimated that in the coming Ohio state election Samuel M. Jones, the "golden rule" independent candidate for governor, will receive about one hundred thousand votes. It is also estimated that the total vote will be about eight hundred and fifty thousand. It is evident that Jones is drawing his strength about evenly from both old parties, although in some sections he is drawing more from one than the

"Senator Hanna refused today io give out any estimates on the result, except to say that he is confident that George K. Nash would be elected by a handsome plurality. Should Jones receive one hundred thousand drawing equally from both parties, it will make little difference in the general result, and, as nearly as can be predicted at this time, the Republican candidate will be elected by a plurality at least as large as that received by Governor Bushnell in cal attention. Both men were buried

"Features of the last week's fight have been the campaigning tour of William J. Bryan, the visit of President McKinley, the presence of Gover-

charged Scnator Hanna with defending trusts and repudiating the trust plant of the Republican platform.

"In several interviews Mr. Hanna has repudiated the stories that he is op; posed to the trust plank, but his explanations have not been clear or comprehensive enough for the average voter. It is feared that his speeches on this question will be a serious detriment to the party's chances of success.

"Money is being lavishly used in the present fight, and it is a safe estimate that before the campaign is over more than \$1,000,000 will have been expended by both parties.

John R. McLean says he is confident he will be elected by as good a majority over the Republican candidate as was received by Governor Campbell when elected as Democratic governor in 1889, when he defeated Foraker by 10.872 votes.

## KENTUCKY.

"The Kentucky gubernatorial elec-tion will be held on Tuesday, November 7, but not even at this late day is the current of popular feeling setting so strongly in one direction that its flow can be easily determined. There are two Democratic tickets and one Republicar.

Both Democratic tickets are plant ed on free silver platforms, and both are advocating Bryan for president. Republicans are united and harmonious. Seemingly, Republicans should be sure of victory, and they are confident, yet the result is in great doubt. William Sylvester Taylor, head of the Republican ticket, and his associates are confident. Sena: or Goebel, head of the regular Democratic ticket, is certain he will be the next governor by 10 or 15 thousand plurality.

"Mr. Goebel does not believe the nomination of former Governor John Young Brown on an independent ticket has added to the opposition to the regular Democracy. He believes Brown may get ten thousand votes, but says if the ticket had not been nominated the regular Democrats would have been so apathetic he would have been defeated as Hardin was in 1895.

"Mr. Goebel attaches no great importance to the Brown ticket, and no estimate outside of these of Brown's supporters puts his vote above 20,000, while one-half that seems a fair esti-

"Republicaus, however, believe the bolt so formidable that they are declaring Brown will get 40,000 votes, and that Taylor's plurality will be 30,000. This estimate is for public consumption. The close calculators really figure on a Taylor plurality of 5,000 · to 15,000. They declare they will carry the third, fifth, sixth, eighth, ninth and eleventh districts. Chances are good for them in the third, and the fourth is doubtful.

"The fifth district includes Louis ville and Jefferson county. Louisville is undoubtedly Republican, though it went Democratic in the city election. but here is where the Independent ticket has its greatest strength. Here is also a heavy gold Democratic vote which will go for neither Democratic

THE OTHER STATES.

"In Virginia the contest is for the legislature, and the issue is the election of United States Senators by the people. Democrats will carry the legislature, and a majority of the members will undoubtedly vote for the re election of Martin as senator.

"Massachusetts politicians are figuring chiefly on the size of the Republisatisfied with anything above fifty keep on going ahead and want to fight thousand majority, and Democrats will again.

be satisfied if they can keep the figures below forty thousand.

Each party is declaring it will win in lowa, but Republicans feel entirely Contest in Chio, lowa, Nebraska safe for both governor and legislature.

At the beginning of the campaign there was some tear as to the effect of imperialism on the foreign born voters, but Republicans say this issue has not proved of any use to the Democrats. The latter declare quite the contrary.

"Bryanism has been made the issue by the fusionists in Nebraska, where Republicans are working earnestly to carry the state. The Fusionists base their hopes of success largely on the defection of the German votes, who are declared to be solid.y in opposition to the expansion policy. Indications are that the Republicans will make sub-stantial gains, if they do not carry the state.

The indications are that Maryland, which has gone Republican in her last against me. For two years I held the two elections, will return to the Democratic column on the 7th. At least this is the outlook at this time.

#### THEY WERE STARVING

### Passengers Arrive at Seattle in Deplorable Condition.

After a voyage of 28 days from Cape Nome, during which two men died from starvation and others were half crazed from want of food and water, the schoner Hera arrived at Seatle Wednescay with nearly 200 passengers on beard. News of the wretche's plight of the Hera's passengers was brought here Sunday night by the steamer Lakme. The revenue cutter Grant and the tug Sea Loan, immediately started after the schooner. They succeeded in finding t Tuesday about fifty miles off Cape

Flattery. The two deaths reported are those of J. S. Ryan, came on board a well man, but through bad food became ill, and owing to ack of attention gradually grew worse, until he died on October 16th. The other case is much the same. George Lamby, through want of nourishment and confinement in ill-ventilated quarters, was taken ill with typhoid fever and died on October 21st. While he was sick he had absolutely no medi

at sea. From the statements of other pasnor Roosevelt of New York, and the important utterances of Senator Hanna age. When they were a few days out the commissioner, and that he had comon the Philippine war and the trust meat, sugar and butter ran out. The plained of the same to other members question. Another feature that will have an important bearing upon the have an important bearing upon the menu consisted of salt pork and canned of the same to other members menu consisted of salt pork and canned of the board and proncunces the said statement to be absolutely false. campaigning is the wonderful fight on board, but only enough to supply the table three times with dried peaches which Jones is making.

"The utterances of Senator Hanna on the trust question will cause considerable trouble for the Republican party. food consisted of flour and coffee. There | State of South Carolina-Richland The Democratic press has already was plenty of flour but the water was short. Four days ago the last unpalatable salt horse was consumed. Had it not been for rain storms which fell for a few days, they would have been with-

out water also. When the Hera anchored out in the Ouzts in reference to the sale to him stream the majority of the men were so by Col Vance, then commissioner, of weak that they could not carry their gold dust ashore without assistance. Several passengers were crazed from their terrible experience and had to be carried ashore and taken care of. Even taking their terrible voyage into consideration, the passengers unite in declaring Nome to be the greatest camp on earth, and many of them will return in the spring.

## Remrakable Yield of Wheat.

The Carolina Spartan says Mecklen earg County, N. C., has no doubt again d the United States in growing wheat. The Charlotte Oil and Fertilizer Co. had 145 acres, and Mr. Fred Oliver 210 acres, making 355 acres of wheat grown by one manager, Mr. Oliver. This wheat suffered from the excessive rains and cold weather experienced by the whole winter wheat territory last win ter, and the yield was cut off at least 50 per cent. by the damage done. It gave an average yield, however, of 20 bushels to the acre. Many acres that were so situated as to be protected by good drainage and by surrounding woods, gave yield of over 40 bushels per acre. Mr. Oliver claims he can raise 40 to 50 bushels of wheat per acre with favorable seasons. The fertilizer used last season cost \$4.80 per acre, and it would no doubt have given double the yield of wheat if the weather had been favorable. Why raise cotton when you can get more money value from wheat, with less labor and expense, and at the same time have a chance to grow on same land, same season, another crop either of peas, millet or corn. The farmers in the South will be much more independent when they raise all the wheat, corn and hogs and cattle that they consume and only half as much cotton as is now grown.

November Weather. The following data, covering a period f twenty-eight years, have been comoiled from the weather bureau records at Charleston for the month of November: Mean or normal temperature 58 legrees. The warmest month was that of 1896, with an average of 63 degrees. The coldest month was that of 1872, with an average of 54 degrees. The highest temperature was 82 degrees on November 13, 1879. The lowest temperature was 23 degrees on November 30, 1872. Average date on which first frost occurred in autumn. 'killing' November 30. Average date on which last "killing" frost occurred in spring. March 2 Average precipitation for the month, 2.92 inches. Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, S. The greatest monthly precipitation was 7.54 inches in 1888. The least monthly precipitation was 0.33 inches in The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any twenty-four consecutive hours was 5.84 inches on November 16 and 17, 1889. Average number of clear days, 13; partly cloudy days, 10; cloudy days, 7. The prevail-

#### east on November 14, 1888. Don't Like Our Style. The Filipinos, like the Spaniards,

ing winds have been from the north

east, 22 per centum. The highest ve-

locity of the wind was 46 miles from the

do not like the style of American fight-Americans "do not fight fair," in that absolutely false. "instead of going back after a battle to can majority. Republicans will be have dinner and smoke eigarettes, they

About Ouzls Statement.

The Ex-Commissioner Submits His Side of the Case in the Form of Affida-

vits.

To the People of South Carolina. Mr. Ouzts in one of his chapters of

revelations, has seen fit to make charges position of commissioner at the State dispensary. The first year Mr. Ouzts was the slipping clerk; the second year he was my confidential clerk and bookkeeper. My desk was never locked.
As my confidential clerk Mr. Ouzts
opened all my mail, and at all times me with the utmost ecurtesy and consideration, and I met him in the same spirit. I could submit other affidavits, but think the following sufficient to reply to Mr. Ouzts:

### Very respectfully, S. W. Vance. Columbia, S. C., Oct. 26, 1899.

State of South Carolina-Richland

County. Personally appeared before me D M Miles, who being duly sworn says that he is the chairman of the State board of control; that he has read in the papers the statement of D A G Ouzts that Col Vance, when commissioner, had paid to Mr. Earhardt the sum of \$12 without his knowledge or consent, and pronounces the same to be absolutely DM Miles. Sworn to before me this 17th Oct., 399. B. C. Webb, N. P.

State of South Carolina-Richland

County. Personally appeared before me M R Cooper, who being duly sworn, says that he is secretary of state for South sengers it is learned that the agent of Carolina, that he has read in the papers | Vance 10,320 pounds of hard coal; that | eaten his clothes and part of his boots. ship at Nome guaranteed them plenty the statement of D A G Ouzts in referof good provisions on the way down. ence to the changing of prices of cer-

> M R Cooper. Sworn to before me this 18th Oct., 899. D H Means, N P.

County. Personally appeared before me M H Mobley, who being duly sworn, says Oct. 1899.

that he is one of the bookkeepers in the State dispensary; that he has read in the papers the statement of DAG one gray horse; that he bought the horse openly and fairly, after the other bids had been rejected, and that any statement by D A G Ouzts to the contrary is absolutely false. M H Mobley.

Sworn to before me this 19th Oct. 1899. Benj. C. Webb, NP for S C.

State of South Carolina-Richland Personally appeared before me J I Easler, who being duly sworn, says that he is an employe at the State dispensary; that he worked there while ol, Vance was commissioner; that he has read in the papers the statement of DA G Ouzts that last Christmas, through some of the hands, Col. Vance gave to the railroad employes \$20.00 worth of whiskey; that he was the man who carried the whiskey to the depot; that to the best of his recollection Col Vance sent by him six bottles of X rye pints on the day before Chaistmas to the hands at the depot who handled the dispensary shipments; that six bottles of X rye pints were worth about \$2 00; that the statement of D A G Ouzts that Col. Vance sent \$20 worth of whiskey to the railroad hands is absolutely false.

J P Easler. Sworn to before me this 19th Oct. Benj. C Webb. 1899. Notary Public for S C.

State of South Carolina-Richland County. Personally appeared before me H H lowie, who being duly sworn, says that he has read in the papers the statement of D A G Ouzts in reference to the sale of some contraband wine to himself and W J Hill by Commissioner Vance; that at the time of the sale of the wine Messrs Williams and Douthit were in the board room; that Col. Vance took a sample of the wine to them accompanied by himself and W J Hill; that Williams tasted the wine, and remarked that "it tasted like pokeberry juice, and was unfit to drink." Mr Douthit upon tasting it pronounced it worthless; that Col. Vance said he thought it pretty fair claret wine, and could sell it for 10 cents per gallon: that Messrs. Williams and Douthit told him to sell it immediately; that the statement of D A. G. Ouzts that Col. Vance sold this wine on his own motion is absolutely

false. Sworn to before me this 25th day of Oct., 1899. Winthrop Williams, N. P. S. C.

State of South Carolina-Richland

County. Personally appeared before me T. W. Collins, G B Pettigrew, J E Earhardt, J P Easler and R C McCants, who beng duly sworn say that they are conoloyes at the State dispensary, that hey were there while Co! Vance was commissioner; that they have read the statement of D A G Ouzts in the papers in reference to Col Vance trying to compel the employes to vote for Sloan in the last municipal election; that Col Vance never intimated to them that he had any choice in the matter. nor do they know of Col Vance having spoken to any of the employes about whom they should vote for, and that ing. A letter from Manila says the to the best of their belief and informalittle brown men" complain that the tion the statement of D A G Ouzts is

> Thos. W Collins. G B Pettigrew, J Earhardt, R C McCants.

ABSOLUTELY FALSE. Swern to before me this 19th day of Benj. C Webb, Notary Public for S. C. FROZEN TO DEATH.

That is What Witnesses Swears State of South Carolina-Highland

Personally appeared before me John Black, who being duly sworn, says that IN REFERENCE TO COL VANCE | he is the shipping clerk at the State dispensary; that he filled said position 12 months while Col Vance was commissioner; that never at any time did Commissioner Vance intimate to him in the remotest degree that he would prefer any one brand of whiskey shipped to another; that he has read in the papers the statement made by D A G Ouzis that Col Vance pressed the shipment of certain liquors; that to the best of his belief and information said statement is absolutely false.

John Black. Sworn to before me this 19th Oct., Benj. C Webb. Notary Public for S. C.

OUZTS ASKS FOR THE RECORD AND GETS

IT-IN THE NECK. In his eard published October 21st, Mr. Ouzts, in speaking of his "revelations," "I desire to say I am ready to ing the two years that we worked together Mr. Ouzts at all times treated stand demand by the records I be judged."

stand by the record as to the truth of the same, and demand by the records I be judged.

Cascade Land company, was found in to him absolutely free. Many young a coulle near Healy Butte. It is evident that he tried hard through the

County. control that he held same position while Col. Vance was commissioner; that he has read the statement as published in the papers by D. A. G. Ouzts, in which he charges that Col. Vance loaned to Mr. W. MeB. Sloan the coal belonging to the State, and that Sloan until he managed to drive them into a coal; that Mr Sioan got 14,140 pounds, as shown by the certificate of City Weigher Griffin attached to the vouch-er in the office of the State board of control; that on April 6 Mr 11 200 sented his bill and was paid for 44,290 returned with the rescue party too late. pounds, as shown by voucher in the office of the State board of control; that Mr Sloan did borrow from Col the coal borrowed and the coal returned was weighed by City Weigher Griffin, as shown by his certificate of weights attached to the voucher in the office of the State board of control; that Mr. Sloan returned all the coal borrowed is absolutely false.

B. C. Webb. Sworn to before me this 19th day of Wm. H. Yeldell. N. P. S. C.

State of South Carolina-Richland

County. Personally appeared before me G H Charles, who being duly sworn, says that he is one of the bookkeepers at the State dispensary that he has read in the papers the statement of D A G Ouzts that Col Vance invariably gave the orders for Lanahan & Son's whis kies to be shipped out first, so that the same could be bottled up and shipped out before the next meeting of the board of control; that Col Vance never gave verbal orders for the shipment of liqours purchased by the State board; that all orders were in writing; that he has examined the orders given by Col Vance from April, 1898, to April 1899 inclusive (during which period D A G Ouzts served as bookkeeper to Col Vance, who was commissioner at that time); that these orders, which are now on file in the office of the clerk of the board of control, by their dates show conclusively that the statement of D A G Ouzts is absolutely false.

G. H. Charles, Sworn to before me this 25th day of U. X. Gunter. Jr., Oct. 1899. N. P. S. C.

State of South Carolina-Richland

County. Personally appeared before me F E Young, who being duly sworn, says that he is the receiving clerk at the State dispensary, and as such keeps April, 1898, to May, 1899, except when Mr Collins was doing Mr Ouzts' work, are in the handwriting of D AG Ouzts; that he has read in the papers the statement of D A G Ouzts that Col Vance when commissioner would order the Lanahan purchases shipped first, so that their liquor would be first received at the dispensary, bottled up and ship-ped out before the next meeting of the State board of control: that the receiving book shows when whiskey purchases were received; that the record as kept by DAG Ouzts himself proves conclusively that his charges as stated above against Col Vauce are absolutely F E Young. Sworn to before me this 24th Oct., B C Webb.

Notary Public for S. C.

Lynched in Georgia. John Goolsby, a young Negro, was shot to death at Riggin's mill, near

Macon, Ga., Friday morning, it is presumed by some member of an informal posse from the adjoining county of Iwiggs. Goolsby had cut to pieces his employer, Jim Tom Robinson, a respected white farmer of that county. the night before. Some time ago Goolsby was in Bibb county jail under He spent several months studying a misdemeanor charge. Robinson paid the question in Luzon and elsewhere in the fine with the understanding it was the archipelago. But since his return to be worked out on his farm. He found Goolsby worthless and ordered the public prints in favor of the admin-him away. The Negro returned to the istration's Philippine policy. Before place Thursday night and a difficulty arese between the two men in which ridge was understood to be an ardent Robinson was badly cut up, and it is expansionist, if not an imperialist. feared he will die. Goolsby fled and His present silence is being construed a posse of neighbors started in pursuit. to mean that he has undergone a change Friday morning his dead body was of heart. found near his father's house with a Winchester bullet through the heart. The supreme court of Illinois has An S-year-old brother of the dead man was the only witness of the shooting,

Goolsby's record was had. but they look awful dangerous.

and he could only say some men did it.

The Most Fatal October Blizzard Ever Known in Montana.

FAITHFUL COLLIE DOGS.

They Guarded the Bodies of Their Dead Masters. Nine Men Known to Have Perished.

As a result of the recent blizzard which swept through Teton county in the northern part of Montana, nine men are known to be dead, and of these, five bodies have been recovered. With one exception, all were sheep herders, and all were found lying in such positions as to indicate that they had stayed with their flocks to the last, dying in their attempts to save the pooperty of

their employers. night to get his sheep into camp, but State of South Carolina-Richland had not succeeded. Conscious of the death which was impending, he returned Personally appeared before B. C. to his tent about midnight and there Webb, who being duly sworn, says that wrote and left a note saying he was he is the clerk of the State board of rearly exhausted, but was about to return to the sheep in the snow, his lantern about 20 feet distant. Of his two dogs, one remained to guard the body,

did his own weighing, returning some sheltered spot, where they would be and paying for some: that some time in March Mr. Sloan de ivered to the distook the coulle where his cabin was pensary one car of coal, but not 100 built and wandered up another. Retons as charged by D A G Ouzts; that the car, according to the railroad back and fell less than 200 yards from weight, contained 58,700 pounds of home and safety. The searching party found his dog stretched across the dead

> Matt Gregorich was found with his arms crossed upon his breast. His dog had followed the sheep into camp and H. Herald, working for C. R. Scoffin, was lying in the deep snow, his beard eaten off by the sheep, which had also It is probable that the dead list is hardly begun. Flocks of sheep without herders have been reported from various points in the storm district, and later these will be traced and the dead

herders found. save 60 pounds, which he paid for at the rate of \$6.50 per ton, as shown on voucher in the office of the State board of them more than 100 feet deep and of control; that the statement of D A G | with steep sides, are filled with it. This Ouzts in reference to this transaction | was the most severe and most fatal October storm ever occurring in Montana.

Bride Robbed by the Groom. Mrs. Mary J Colthar, 45 years old, of Bunker Hill, Ill., whose husband died two years ago, leaving her a farm and \$2,000, is penniless in Rochester, N. Y., having been robbed of \$4,075 by a New York confidence man. According to her story, which has been verified by the Rochester police, Mrs. Col-thar about a month ago, by a letter of introduction through an agency, began a correspondence with James Monroe. A few weeks later, by appointment, they met in Indianapolis and the same afternoon were married. The following day they started, together with Mrs. Colthar's 11-year-old daughter, for New York, to witness the Dewey day celebration. Before going however, Mrs. Colthar placed a \$2,000 mortgage on the farm and drew \$2,100 from the bank. The trio arrived in Rochester a few days ago, and Monroe proposed to engage in the drug business and prevailed upon his wife to loan him \$4,075, and started for New York, ostensibly to purchase stock for the store. Monroe has not been seen since. Wednesday Mrs. Colthar received a letter from him in New York, saying he had been robbed, and advising her to return to Bunker Hill. Mrs. Colthar, realizing that she had been deceived, immediately laid the case before Chief Cleary, who has taken steps to catch the man.

Threatens to Resign. William E. Mason, junior United States senator from Illinois, declared that he would resign if the Republican national convention in 1900 did not declare against "criminal aggression" in a record of all goods received; that the Philippines. Mr. Mason even prior to his appointment D A G Ouzts went so far as to say he would resign if kept this book; that the entries from the convention offered the Filipinos "canned freedom," as he thought it might do. There must be no evasion on the vital issue of pure and unadulterated freedom, or the senator will step down and out. Then Mr. Mason proposes to stand for reelection to see whether the Illinois general assembly sides with him or with the policy of the McKinley administration.

# Bravery Rewarded.

A dispatch from Cleveland Ohio, says: "City Councilman J. L. Reilly has fallen heir to \$80,000. Four years age, while in San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Reilly stopped a runaway team, probably saving the life of the driver, a wealthy farmer of Palmer, Texas, named John Wallace. I is arm was so badly injured in the sauggle that for a time amputation was thought to be neeessary, but eventually it healed. On Saturday Mr. Reilly received notice from San Antonio that Mr. Wallace had died and left him a legacy af \$80,-

## Has Seen Light.

Senator Beveridge's silence respecting the Philippine problem seems to be worrying some of the Republicans. home he has not had a word to say in he sailed for the East Senator Beve-

## As to Shade Trees.

decided that shade trees on the street in front of a house belong to the owner of the house and that a telephone com-The long feathers the ladies wear in pany which cut the limbs of a tree their hats now-a-days may be harmless, without permission was liable for damage.

HASELDEN'S PRIVATE STOCK.

### It Is Charged That He Has a Bar Room at Home.

Some of Mr. Haselden's neighbors make very serious charges against him. Outz in a card to the papers quotes from two letters received from Marion county in which the writers say: "Since Haselden's connection with the board of control hundreds of bottles of all kinds of liquors and wines and lager beer by the barrel have been shipped to Seller's Station to him by various liquor houses for his own personal use. In every instance the freight is prepaid and he has nothing to do but to take it out. Of course it is a physical impossibility to drink it all himself, while he does his level best to do so, and the balance is distributed about free where it will do the most good. I am told that he has a room in his house fixed up for the display of his goods, and has large bottles on which appear in ions as to indicate that they had stayed vith their flocks to the last, dying in heir attempts to save the pooperty of heir employers.

William Graham, working for the William Graham, working for the Vicencia Landson was found in the him checkutchy from Many young

stages of intoxication and I myself have seen older men, men with families, come from his house as drunk as the proverbial fiddler's bitch. The books of the express company at Sellers will show the many shipments. The influence of a free bar in that community is worse than a dispensary or a blind tiger. All the above facts and many more similar can be substantiated by record and unimpeachable testimony You might also inquire who was it Haselden or Cooper-who had the box of samples shipped to Spartanburg for a certain candidate during the last State primary and about which much was said at the time."

The second letter says: "At the time Mr. Haselden became a member of the board of control he owed a judgment against him of between \$2,000 and \$2,500. That judgment has been paid. It has been reported for months that packages of whiskey had been shipped to Mr. Haselden from various liquor houses of the very fanciest kind put up in "Haselden's Pride," etc. It has also been reported that Mr. Haselden has a college record equal to that of his dispensary record."

### WILL BE HUNG.

### Quick Work Made of the Two Darlington Fiends.

A dispatch from Darlington to The State, in speaking of the trial and conviction of the two fiends who recently raped a young lady in that county says: The court house was crowded again Thursday and excitement was running high on account of the trial of Dink Mitchell for rape. Ed. Luckey was convicted the day before, but sentence was suspended so he could testify against his accomplice, Dink Mitchell. Judge Bennett charged the jury to weigh well the evidence, and that it would not do to convict where life was at stake on the testimony of an accomplice alone, that it had to be corroborated by other testimony. He also said that he took this opportunity to thank attorney King for the energetic way he has conducted the defense. That it was the duty of the presiding judge when a man was to be tried for his life and was too poor to provide himself with counsel to appoint counsel for him, and that he had appointed Mr. Coker King to defend Mitchell. He had received no compensation for it, but he could have done no better if he

had been well paid. The jury was out but a few minutes, when they returned with a verdict of guilty. Dink Mitchell and Ed. Luckey were both sentenced to be hanged the 24th of November. Everybody seems to be well satisfied, and Darlington county has set an example for the whole south.

Wanted for Bigamy.

The Columbia State says Gov. Johnston of Alabama has for some time been making vigorous efforts to secure the capture of Dr. W. H. Ilderton of this State who is wanted in Alabama for igamy. He sent a requisition some time ago to the governor and it was sent to the sheriff of Dorchester county. Nothing was heard from the sher iff and he was asked to explain. He writes that he has made every effort to eatch Ilderton but has failed. Gov. Johnston has offered a rewaad of \$100 for the capture of the man. From Gov. Johnston's letter it appears that Ilderton left his family in this State and went to Alabama. There he met and married a beautiful girl, and when it was discovered that he was a married man the young women's life had been ruined, he fled from justice and came back to Dorchester county. South Car-

Look Out Farmers. A dispatch from Charleston says a deal was closed Tuesday whereby the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company acquires the Edisto Phosphate company for two hundred thousand dollars. The Virginia-Carolina company new owns all but one of the Charleston fertilizer companies, and by recent acquisition of properties in Savannah and Columbia, t practically controls the fertilizer product of the south. This means that the farmers will have to pay higher prices for fertilizers next year than they did this.

## Married Nine Times.

Wesley James, an old Negro, whose home is in Charlotte, has one of the most remarkable histories we have ever heard of. He has been married nine times. Eight of his wives are dead and he now lives with the ninth. He s 75 years old and is hale and hearty. His oldest children, twins, are 55 years old, and his youngest, twins also, are 12 months old. James says he is the father of 56 children, and many of He died without faltering. them he has not heard from in years .-Charlotte News.

the Southern Methodist church at a hundreds who ought to take warning authenticated story to the effect that salary double that which his present from these procrastinators and pay up one man living in Russia is now 160 l position pays.

WILL NOT PROSECUTE.

Dines.

# Two Shipwrecked Sailors Held for

Murder Released A special dispatch from Charleston to the State says: Maurice Andersen and Gudmann Thomassen of the shipwrecked crew of the Norwegian bark Drot were released from custody Thursday by order of the Norwegian government, and Deputy Marshal Reed, who has had the men under surveillance at the city hospital, was withdrawn. The men will not be prosecuted for slaying their shipmate, Max Hoffman, and they have been offered free transportation back to their homes in Sweden and Nor-

way.
The instructions for the release of the seamen came to Mr. C. O. Witte, the Norwegian consul, from the consul general at New York. Mr. Witte repaired at 10 o'clock Thursday morning to the office of United States Commissioner J. Wesley Smith, on Queen street, and after the papers for the release had been drawn up, he signed them, liberating Thomassen and Andersen from custody. The papers were immediately served.

The decision of the Norwegian government not to prosecute Andersen and Thomassen was probably reached on the reports submitted by Consul Witte, which showed that the killing was the result of dire necessity. The men were crazed by hunger and thirst and long suffering, and it is hardly to be thought that they should be held accountable for an act done under the circumstances. The drawing of the lot, which decreed that Hoffman should be sacrificed, was entirely regular and fair. His death meant the saving of the lives of the other seamen and, however regrettable the affair and harrowing the details, the fact remains that it was necessary that one man should die, and it just happened that Hoffman drew the lot. This is the common sense view of the case, and it is the opinion that is generally held. The Norwegian government probably reached the same opinion and hence the instructions to Mr. Witte to have the seamen released.

Thomassen and Andersen were greaty clated when told of their good for tune. Thomassen will leave here in a few days for New York, whence he sails for his home at Stevanger. He said that he will never cross the ocean again after his present trip. He will engage in coastwise fishery and will live with his mother and four brothers. Anderson is still confined to his bed and will not be able to get about for a couple of weeks. He says that he desires to remain in Charleston. He has no immediate relatives and is not anxious to go back to Sweden, his native country.

### As to Population.

England now has possessions in all five Artillery Band will population of the entire earth is subterritory owned by England amounts to | illuminated. 13,000,000 square miles, and on this immense tract is a population of 420,-000,000. In the last 27 years the English realm has increased by 2,854,000 square miles, and within the same period 125,000,000 have been added to the population. Since 1871 the population of the United Kingdom-England, Scotland and Ireland-has increased from 32,000,000 to 40,000,000 At the beginning of this century England, Scotland and Ireland had a population of 11,000,000, and France of 26,000,000, yet today the proportion in both countries is almost alike. Russia has increased her population by 60,-000.000 since 1870, the result being that she has now a total population of 130,000,000. Germany had a population of 20,000,000 at the beginning of the century; now she has between 50,-000,000 and 60,000,000; of whom all most a quarter of the result of the increase of births over deaths. Germany too, is making vast strides as a colonial power, and her population in those distant possessions already amounts to a big number.

A Terrible Typhoon. Japan was recently visited by a most destructive typhoon. In Tokio and Yokohama it raged with great fierceness. Hundreds of houses were wrecked in all districts, though the storm seems to have been attended with less loss of life than usual. News of another disastrous catastrophe comes from Tagonaura between Numadez and Zuazkawa. About 1 o'clock on October 7th a tidal wave swept over Tagonaura. Over 500 houses were destroyed and more than 100 perished. The neighborhood of Yosohtwa Meiwa was converted into an extensive lake. Great misery and suffering prevail among the afflicted people. A telegram from Miyazaki prefecture also reports the occurrence of a tidal wave at Mimitsumachi on October 6th and the des-

## truction of many houses.

It Was Not Yellow Jack. which he declares that the reported not the government, have me in charge. yellow feyer at that place is hemorrhag- This is not according to the constituthe report that it was yellow fever ori- to all and then denying special privilginated. Governor McSweeney as soon | eges to the residents of this country. I as he was informed of the suspected will see that I either go free or the cases immediately set about to have Sultan of Sulu gives up some of his the matter thoroughly investigated. better halves." Some people think it is unfortunate for such matters to get out to the public, but the governor thinks it better to do that than to run the risk of other communities being infected. Luckily n this case the rumors were false.

## Didn't Falter.

A special to the St. Louis Post-Diseatch from Dallas, Tex., says Walter Ford, who murdered his sweetheart, Lucy Moore, at Waco, Tex., in June, 1898, was hanged in that city today.

#### Dangerous to Delay. Last week a delinquent subscriber

# COME IN THE FAIR

The Capital City's Invitation to all South Carolinians.

EVERYTHING NOW READY.

# Exhibits Promise to Be Unusually

Full and Varied-Great Crowd Already Assured-Some of the Attractions.

Columbia, Oct. 28.-Special: All the preparations for the State Fair, so far as these are within the reach of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society, are now practically completed. Both President Cunningham and Secretary Holloway have taken quarters here, and they have been busily engaged in matters relating to our great fall gathering. They are both confident of a great gathering-one of the very largest that have been witnessed here in the past thirty years. This of itself will constitute a leading attraction of the fair. Every such crowd is good-humored and jolly, and jolly peo-

ple are always happy. Even were there nothing in the fair but its effect in thus bringing thousands of our people together, it would be worth the people's attendance and patronage. But there is much more.

Col. Holloway reports that there is assurance of fine exhibits in every department. Judging also from the business going on in his office we may safely count on an exhibition that will be varied, extensive and first-class in every particular. This fact is enough to furnish reasons for a great gathering of people from every part of the State. But there are other reasons for such a gathering this year. The short crop of cotton has been sold at far better prices than were expected. Whilst our people are the worse for the failure of their crops, yet the unexpectedly good prices has put them in good spirits, and they are after a little innocent pleasure. The State fair affords the desired opportunity and the people mean to use it. They are coming here by the carload. The railways have given good rates-one fare for the round trip, plus

ten per cent.
The business men of Columbia realize that there must be some attractions in addition to those on the fair grounds In the daytime the people do enjoy themselves on the grounds, yet they like a little run down town on the electric railway and arrived there they appreciate a little amusement. The city fair association have undertaken to supply this. There will be trapeze Interesting statistics in regard to performances, tight-rope walking, aerial the increase of population, just com-pleted by Sir Robert Giffon, show that ascension. At night the First U. S. give a grand concontinents, and that a quarter of the cert on the State House grounds, accompanied with a display of fireworks. ject to her suzerainty. The extent of Main Street itself will be brilliantly

The annual ball of the South Carolina Club will take place on Thursday night of Fair week in the hall of the House of Representatives. On this occasion there will be a joyous gathering of the beauty and gallantry of South Carolina. The hall of the House of Representatives is one of the hand-

somest in the entire country. Ample accommodations will be available for the visitors. Besides the hotels and the boarding houses, there will be numbers of private houses where excellent accommodations may be had. There is already an Intelligence Bureau (in the Central National Bank building) where information as to these accommodations will be gladly furnished.

Fair week this year will be a season of genuine enjoyment. Let everybody come.

## Lieut. Brumby in Atlanta.

The arrival of Lieutenant Brumby, of the Olympia, at Atlanta Wednesday night, to receive his formal welcome into the city and his native state, was the signal for a noisy and enthusiastic demonstration. A special train on the Western and Atlantic brought him from his home at Marietta, Ga., 20 miles from Atlanta, where he went Tuesday to spend a short time with his mother and relatives. He was given a reception at the Capital City club and Thursday the presentation of the sword from the people of Georgia took place. The ceremony occurred in front of the state capital and the sword

#### was presented by Governor Candler. Must Treat All Alike.

Walter L. Farnsworth, the self-confessed Chicago bigamist, who claims he has married over forty women in different parts of the world, says he will offer a unique defense when his case is called for trial. "The Sultan of Sulu has many wives and is under the protection of the United States govern-The governor Wednesday received a ment," said Farnsworth. "I also letter faom Dr. Mole, of Yemassee, in have many wives, but the police, e fever. He cannot understand how tional provisions guaranteeing equality

## Helped Against Their Will.

A 450 pound bale of cotton at 5 cents s \$22.50. At 7 cents it is \$31.50. Eleven million bales at 5 cents is \$247 .-000,000. Nine million bales at 7 cents is \$283,000,000. The South is thirtysix million dollars ahead by having a poor crop. The farmers would not learn sense enough to reduce the acreage, but a kindly Providence shortened the yield for them and helped them against their will-Greenville Nows.

#### The Oldest Man. Bruno Cotrin, a Negro, born in Afri-

The Columbia State says the Rev.

Dr. J. A. Rice, president of the Columbia cellege, recently declined to consider a very flattering call to the pastorate of one the wealthiest charges in the Columbia cellege. We have a geninquent sabscriber as a definquent sabscriber as aid to be the oldest person in the world. According to a German statistician, who has made an extensive research into the census returns, Cotrin is now 153 years old. There is an unca and now living in Rio Janeiro, 18