

SOUTH CAROLINA ITEMS

Newsy Items Gathered From the Different Sections of South Carolina.

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BITS OF NEWS

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The Navy Department asked proposals for 25,000 tons of coal to be used by the battleship fleet on its voyage to the Pacific.

Secretary of the Navy McCall returned to Washington from his ten weeks' visit to California, and will discuss details of the forthcoming transfer of the Atlantic fleet with President Roosevelt.

Luke E. Wright, retiring Ambassador to Japan, said the responsible classes in Japan were not anti-American.

Authoritative announcement was made at Washington that the St. Gaudens designs for the new \$10 and \$20 gold pieces have been accepted.

The annual report of the National Bureau of Labor shows an increase of 4.5 per cent. in wages in manufacturing and mechanical industries, and an advance of 2.9 per cent. in the price of food.

It has cost the United States approximately \$400,000,000 to acquire and hold the Philippine Islands.

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HEAD ON COLLISION SPLITS CROWDED TRAIN

Quebec Express Wrecked Near Canaan Station, N. H.

OVER 50 KILLED AND WOUNDED

Night Operator, Who Became Confused and Wrote "No. 30" in Place of "No. 34," Blamed For the Disaster.

White River Junction, Vt.—Plunging into each other at forty miles an hour, the Boston and Maine Railroad's Quebec express and a freight train at daybreak met in a crash that killed twenty-five persons and injured more than thirty.

The wounded were in such dangerous condition that they were rushed to the hospital at Hanover after being brought to this town. Many of those killed were women and several were children.

The express was running south with a full load of holiday makers returning from a fair in Sherbrooke, Quebec. Most of the victims were Americans, a few being Canadians on their way to points in this State and New Hampshire.

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PITTSBURG HAS AUTOMANIA

Police Say City is "Speed Crazy" and Prohibit Racing

Superintendent McQuaide Declares That the Lives of People Are in Danger at Every Turn.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Greatly aroused over the number of automobile accidents in this city in the last two weeks the police have determined to prohibit automobile races in the future.

They believe that racing arouses automobile owners to increase their speed. According to Thomas A. McQuaide, Superintendent of Police, the automobile owners of Pittsburg are suffering from a disease which he calls "automania."

In an interview Superintendent McQuaide said: "The automobile owners of Pittsburg and vicinity have gone speed crazy. In spite of the fact that several have been killed and many injured in the last two weeks the work of blood and death goes on. The lives of our people are in danger at every turn."

The people of Pittsburg are at present divided into two classes, one owning autos who are trying to break their own and other people's necks, and the others who are trying to dodge. We have tried to stop this speeding, but we seem to be powerless. It appears that when a sensible business man of Pittsburg buys an automobile he becomes inoculated with the speed mania, which cannot be checked. We have passed laws, but men who respect a common law laugh at these. The other day I had before me one of the most prominent business men of Pittsburg for speeding his automobile. He seemed very sorry, and I believe he never will speed again. When he left my office he got into his automobile and started out the Boulevard at a speed of forty miles an hour. The city is auto crazy, that is all."

Frank Armao, who was killed in an automobile accident on Grant Boulevard last week, returned a verdict in which the city was censured for having the boulevard torn up. In spite of the fact that the repairs were needed and that there was a warning red light over the work.

BURTON HEADS THE G. A. R. Elected Commander-in-Chief—Parade Fatal to Two Veterans.

Saratoga, N. Y.—Charles G. Burton, of Nevada, ex-member of Congress, was elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic at its forty-first annual convention here.

The new Commander-in-Chief was opposed by three candidates, General John T. Wilder, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Charles Burrows, of Rutherford, N. J.; and Patrick H. Coney, of Topeka, Kan. His opponent, John E. Griewood, Post, of Troy, N. Y., was struck on Broadway, dying shortly after from heart disease, caused by exposure and over-exertion. Eli S. Robinson, of Post No. 234, New York City, also died at his boarding place.

REGIMENT ORDERED TO BARRACKS. Regiment is Ordered to Barracks Near Watertown and Oswego.

Washington, D. C.—General Oliver, Acting Secretary of War, issued an order that the Twenty-fourth Infantry be ordered to the barracks at Watertown, N. Y., and Oswego, N. Y., as a result of the parade two veterans died, Ensign S. Burice, Post No. 234, Troy, N. Y., and Post No. 234, Troy, N. Y., was struck on Broadway, dying shortly after from heart disease, caused by exposure and over-exertion. Eli S. Robinson, of Post No. 234, New York City, also died at his boarding place.

CENSUS SHOWS LARGEST POPULATION OF ANY STATE WHEN ADMITTED. Guthrie, Okla.—The special census of the new State was finished, when the population of the two Territories, with but four districts missing, was announced by Census Commissioner Hunt as follows: Oklahoma Territory (two districts missing), 718,765; Indian Territory (two districts missing), 489,967. Total (four districts missing), 1,408,732.

WASHINGTON. The Census Bureau announced that the total population of the Territories of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, as made public, is an increase of seventy-eight per cent. over 1890, and that the aggregate population is larger than any State at the time of admission into the Union. West Virginia was the next largest.

WAR RUMORS RIDICULED. Ex-Ambassador Wright in an interview in Washington, D. C., ridiculed talk of war between the United States and Japan.

GULLOTTIES ABOLISHED. President Fallieres commuted the sentence of Gullotties to imprisonment for life, showing that the use of the guillotine in France will not be revived.

PITTSBURG TRIAL DELAYED. George A. Pettibone, charged with complicity in the murder of former Governor Cameron, was taken to the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., and held there by the United States marshal.

The Pulpit

A SERMON BY THE REV. IRA W. HENDERSON

Subject: Life.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Preaching at the Irving Square Presbyterian Church, Hamburg avenue and Calfield street, on the above theme, the pastor, Rev. Ira Wemmel Henderson, took as his text John 1:4. He said:

Last Lord's Day we discussed in general measure and manner the fact of death. Today we shall discuss for the moments that we are together the fact of life. The reality with which we have more presently and immediately to deal.

Life is among the mightiest realities with which humanity is familiar. It thrills and suffuses every living one of us. It energizes all that is active and moving and sentient around about us. It is at the source of all that is at the center of all creation. It is divine for it is of God and imparted from Him. It is real and the one thing in all the world of which we are conscious. For we see it outworking itself into the pulsating, throbbing universe about it.

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will or no, upon us. It is instant. It is inescapable. It is omnipresent. Whether our position be high or low, our labor great or inconsequential, our capacity much or small, opportunity enters into the sphere of our activities. It dominates our vision. He is a dull man who cannot hear the insistent call of opportunity to the soul. We may in our wilfulness shut our eyes to the opportunities that are about us. But we shall be held to account by God.

Life is determined in the terms of responsibility. To be alive with pressing and eager opportunity at hand is to be invested with responsibility. For the opportunity there is no ability to use it. For God never sends opportunities to men that they are unable totally to use. For God never bests with men. And to call a man to a hopeless task is to test with him, to make light of him. But upon every man to whom the golden opportunity comes is laid the responsibility to utilize that chance to the glory of God and to the best of his own ability. The church, not otherwise than the world, is under a responsibility to make use of the opportunities that are here. She cannot still the appeal of those opportunities; she ought not to deny them; she ought not to endeavor to avoid or evade them; she should rather seize the opportunities to herself with joy and welcome the responsibilities thereto attendant with happiness unfeigned.

Life is determined in the terms of possibility. That is to say, that life is hope. "While there is life there is hope," is no mere catch phrase. It is profound philosophy in a sentence. For life men who are really living are expectant. They look ahead. Their faces front the future. They are interested in that which is unattained, that which may be achieved, that which is not yet realized. For life is full of possibilities. And possibilities made progress possible. To be alive is to progress. But where there are no possibilities there is no progress. Life is delightful because of its possibilities; possibilities for self-culture, for moral and spiritual advancement, for constructive service, for the doing of deeds both laudable and glorious for man and for God. This is the life that we live. This is the life that we give to others.

Life is determined in the terms of life. For life is of God. And every soul that lives may partake of the character and of the beauty of the personality of God. Whatever you and I are not, of this we may be sure, we are the children of God, we are divinely born. Our life is the Father's gift. Therefore, if we are children we should be obedient. We should enter into such filial relationships with God that our divinity shall be manifest, that we shall show forth the heirship with Christ that is ours.

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