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## GRIGGS IS SELECTED

### To Succeed Richardson as Democratic Campaign Leader.

## COMMITTEE VOTE UNANIMOUS

### New Leader Represents Younger Elements of Party—Committee Selected to Perfect Organization.

A Washington special to The Atlanta Constitution states that Judge Jim Griggs, of Georgia, was elected chairman of the democratic congressional campaign committee at a meeting Friday night. The honor came to him by the unanimous vote of his committee associates. His name was presented by Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, who at the outset was counted upon by the opponents of Judge Griggs as representing the element which thought it would be wise to name some northern man for the chairmanship. The Tennessee senator proved, however one of the strongest supporters of the Georgian. Other members of the committee seconded the nomination, and the election was unanimous.

In the discussion of campaign prospects there was every indication of confidence that the democrats have at least a fair chance to carry the next house, and members of the committee believe that with Judge Griggs at their head and with the aid of prominent democrats throughout the country who have signified their intention to cooperate in every way possible, victory is more than a mere possibility.

Should the house go democratic as the result of the committee's management, one possibility is that the popular Georgian who has been selected to take charge of the fight will be elevated to the speakership. While Judge Griggs and his friends disclaim any such idea, it is a fact that his candidacy for the chairmanship represented the opposition of the younger element on the democratic side of the house to Major Richardson, of Tennessee, the democratic leader. Major Richardson has been chairman of the democratic congressional committee for two campaigns, and the younger element referred to has been anxious to have a man more nearly representing their views whom they might support for speaker in case of a democratic house.

While there is all sorts of harmony talk now, it is no secret that the lines have been closely drawn in this chairmanship contest, and that the opponents of Judge Griggs came to his support only when they found they could not defeat him. The victory is a striking illustration of his popularity with his party associates.

## To Perfect Organization.

A committee consisting of the chairman, Mr. Griggs; Representative Williams, of Mississippi; Ruppert, of New York; Richardson, of Tennessee; Williams, of Illinois; Jackson, of Kansas, and Senator Culberson, of Texas, was appointed to perfect a plan of organization for the ensuing congressional campaign and select the remaining officers of the committee, subject to the ratification of a meeting of the full committee to be held April 11.

It is the general understanding that this committee, among other things, will report in favor of the creation of an executive committee, of which Representative Ben T. Cable, of Illinois, probably will be chairman, and of a finance committee, of which Lewis Dixon, of New York, probably, will be chairman.

The only other name besides that of Mr. Griggs which was presented to the committee for the chairmanship was that of Representative Cowherd, of Missouri, but his name was withdrawn before the vote was taken. The committee heard the protests of a faction of the democracy of the District of Columbia against James L. Norris, who was elected to represent the district at a former meeting of the committee, but decided to disregard the protests made.

## FIEND IN HUMAN FORM.

### Father, in Beastly Intoxication, Kills His Twelve-Year-Old Daughter.

At Lydgale, Va., George Waller, while intoxicated, killed his 12-year-old daughter, Nellie, with a shot gun.

The crime is believed to have been committed last Saturday night. Waller then fled to the mountains.

A neighbor who had occasion to go to Waller's house Monday night found the body of the girl full of buckshot lying on the floor.

Nellie was Waller's only child. Mrs. Waller died two years ago.

## WELLS SENTENCED TO HANG.

### Committed Cowardly Crime of Stabbing Blind Man in the Back.

In the criminal court in Atlanta, Ga., Wednesday, W. Roland Wells, who stabbed and killed Frederick Pearce a blind man, on Decatur street February 3, was found guilty before Judge John S. Candler, and was sentenced to be hanged on April 22, between the hours of noon and 1 o'clock.

## SHIPPING CROSSTIES TO CUBA.

### A Great and Growing Industry at Pensacola, Florida.

The shipment of crossties from Pensacola, Fla., to Cuba has grown wonderfully of late, and a day or two ago two cargoes, aggregating 1,322,464 superficial feet, were sent to Cienfuegos, and other quantities sent to Jucaro, Cuba, aggregate an additional 2,259,561 superficial feet. This trade has grown so great that several barges and schooners are constantly kept busy.

## THREE-QUARTERS OF A MILLION

### Is What Columbia Wants Yearly as Pay for the Panama Canal Rights.

A Washington special says: Senator Concha, the Colombian minister, delivered to Secretary Hay Monday a definite protocol between the United States and Colombia, embodying the terms under which Colombia will agree to concede the rights necessary for the construction of a Panama canal.

It is understood that Colombia gives unqualified consent to the sale of the rights of the new Panama Canal Company to the United States government and the consummation of its offer of \$40,000,000. It is stated that the protocol embodying adequate and satisfactory provisions for the completion, maintenance, operation, control and protection of a Panama canal by this government. It was stated most positively Monday that, beyond the 5,000,000 francs (about \$1,000,000) in stock which the Colombian government holds in the canal company, no portion of the \$40,000,000 will revert to Colombia.

It has been made clear that the protocol just delivered withholds the city of Panama from the United States sovereignty. Panama city is practically the state of Panama, for there is no other town of importance within the state. The administration of justice within the belt is provided for in the shape of mixed tribunals, and the right to pursue criminals charged with crimes committed within the limits of the belt to any part of Colombia is bestowed. Compensation for the canal rights is desired to be the shape of an annual rental of about \$750,000.

## MILES WON'T RESIGN.

### General Says He Will Fight It Out With the Administration.

A Washington special says: General Miles means to stay in the fight with the administration to the last ditch.

"I am no quitter," is the substance of his reply to his friends who advised him to retire.

These friends urged his voluntary retirement as soon as they read the rebuke of Roosevelt and the published in the papers sent to congress Saturday. Miles declares he will stick it out until he reaches the age limit of 64 unless retired by Roosevelt.

In the meantime another rebuke is in store for the lieutenant general. He said in one of his letters that the warfare in the Philippines has been conducted with marked severity, and with marked severity. This charge was based, he declared, upon a letter from Governor Taft and other officials' communications. He had read Governor Taft's letter transmitting charges made by the rival governor of Pinaros against the militia administration in that province.

General Chaffee has been directed to make an investigation of the secretary's charges and the department is confident that they will be found to be groundless. If this be the case, then the general's statement will make him liable to further condemnation.

The entire affair, in the opinion of army prophets, is gradually reaching a climax. The 20th of May, when Leonard Wood cuts loose from Cuba, is drawing near, and the return of Wood is believed to mark the crisis in the Miles affair.

Then the prophets say Miles will go and Wood will succeed him.

## ROUSS SUBSCRIPTION ASSURED.

### Son Will Support Battle Abbey Work Begun By His Father.

The Rouss Confederate hall, by which name the Battle Abbey will be known, will not be affected by the death of the famous philanthropist, as many have supposed. This and other matters were determined during the meeting of the board of trustees of the Confederate Memorial association in Atlanta, Ga., the past week.

The remainder of the subscription of Charles Broadway Rouss, which amounts to \$40,000, will be paid by his son, P. W. Rouss, as soon as the proper time arrives.

## GIGANTIS IS FLOUR TRUST.

### Four Hundred Millions of Capital Will Be Used by Combine.

The final steps in the formation of the National Millers' Federation, representing a total capital of \$400,000,000 and an equal four output of 100,000,000 barrels, were taken at a meeting held in Chicago Wednesday. The federation is the national organization of the various state associations.

## France to Send Over an Exhibit.

The chamber of deputies at Paris Tuesday unanimously adopted the bill providing for the participation of France in the St. Louis exposition.

## SERIOUS CLASH THREATENED.

### Officers and Miners in West Virginia May Have a Mix-Up.

The condition growing out of the discharge of fifteen union miners at the Fairmont Coal Company's mine at Mt. Clair, W. Va., are getting more serious. Five men have been arrested and placed under heavy bond to await the action of the grand jury for interfering with officers who were attempting to quell a riot.

## NOTED REBELS CAPTURED.

### Lieutenant Bamford Gets Quite a Feather to Adorn His Cap.

A Manila special says: Noriel, the only insurgent general with the exception of Malvar, still in the Philippines, has been captured by Lieutenant Frank E. Bamford, of the Twenty-eighth infantry. A major, a captain, a lieutenant and five men, who were acting as a bodyguard to Noriel, were captured with him. They have all been held as prisoners of war.

## CONGRESS STARTLED

### Richardson Hurts Bribery Boom In Midst of Lawmakers.

## REFERING TO DANISH TREATY

### Charge is Made that Half a Million Dollars Was Paid to Carry Purchase of the Islands Through.

A Washington special says: At the opening of the session of the house Thursday, Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee, the minority leader, offered as a matter of privilege a resolution for the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate the charges said to have been made by Walter Christmas, a semi-official representative of the government of Denmark, in a secret report to his government, in which it was made to appear that he was to receive \$500,000 of the purchase money for the sale of the Danish West Indies for bribing newspapers and members of congress. The resolution was very long and detailed, and its reading created great excitement on both sides of the house.

The resolution presented by Mr. Richardson, and finally adopted, was in part as follows:

"Whereas, one Walter Christmas, a subject of Denmark, who is now and who has been for several years a diplomatic agent and representative of the government of Denmark, authorized and empowered to negotiate with the government of the United States for the sale of the Danish West Indian islands to the United States, and who was also the agent of the United States for the purchase of said islands, has submitted a secret and confidential report to his own government; and

"Whereas, the said Walter Christmas, agent and representative, as aforesaid, in his report to his government, declares and sets forth among other things the fact that the government of Denmark has contracted, agreed and obligated itself to pay and turn over to him, the said Christmas, ten percentum or about \$500,000 of the proceeds of the purchase money arising from the sale of said islands to the United States when the same shall have been paid by the United States to Denmark for the expressed purpose as has been declared and set forth by him in his said secret report to his government, for the bribing of members of the United States congress, including members of the house of representatives and other prominent citizens of this country and for subsidizing American newspapers, to the end that the pending treaty between the United States and Denmark for the sale of the islands by the latter to the former government may be consummated."

The resolutions further recite that said secret report states that the \$500,000 shall be immediately paid to Christmas, if the purchase money is paid, by the United States for the corrupt objects set forth.

"The resolutions recite that a select committee of seven members of the house of representatives be appointed by the speaker to examine into the charge and the alleged circumstances, contracts, etc., which in any manner have for their object the bribery of or the attempted bribery of members of the United States congress or for the payment of any valuable consideration of any kind or character to them or to any of them to vote for or to assist in procuring the proposal, adoption or ratification of the said treaty of sale of the said islands."

There are suggestions of improper influence used upon some members of congress, though it is fair to say that these allegations are very general in their character. The particular point made by the democrats is that the state department was in possession of knowledge of these Christmas charges when the purchase treaty was before the senate and the members of that body were not informed of these charges tending to throw suggestions of taint upon the negotiations.

## STAHLMAN SUES EDITOR.

### More Trouble Over Methodist Book Concern Bill Passed in Congress.

Major E. B. Stahlman, of Nashville, is in Washington taking the testimony of prominent senators and representatives relative to the Southern Methodist book concern bill and its passage through congress.

He is taking these for use in a suit for libel which he has brought against Dr. Palmore, the editor of the church paper at St. Louis, which, it is understood, criticised Major Stahlman's action in respect to this bill very severely.

## TO IMPROVE THE STATE CAPITAL.

The Virginia legislature has passed a bill appropriating \$100,000 for the purpose of repairing, improving and rendering practically fireproof the state's prehistoric capital.

## Libel Suit Filed for \$10,000.

Starling Chapman, of Barnett, Ga., entered suit for \$10,000 libel against the Misses Battle for charging him with robbing them of several thousand dollars some weeks ago.

## DICKINSON LOSES JOB.

### As Result of Stone Affair He Incurs Wrath of Bulgarians.

As one result of his activities in the Stone case, Mr. Dickinson has lost his position as diplomatic representative to Bulgaria. When he was in Sofia last fall he addressed some very strong representations to the Bulgarian minister for foreign affairs and apparently he has not been forgiven, for information comes to hand that he is persona non grata.

## TO EDUCATE THE BRITISHERS.

### Bulk of Wealth of Cecil Rhodes Goes to Promote His Imperial Plan of Education.

The London Daily Mail says that it is in a position to assert that the late Cecil Rhodes left the bulk of his fortune, except some personal and family bequests, to the promotion of his vast imperial plan of education. This project embraces every land over which the Union Jack flies. Its purpose is the intellectual betterment of the British race throughout the world, and the fostering of the imperial sentiment.

The Daily Mail adds that this idea of better fitting "younger Britain" to cope successfully with rival nationalities was long a dominant scheme with Cecil Rhodes, but even his closest friends little imagined the absorbing hold it obtained upon him until this was disclosed by the terms of his will. The details of this plan of education will be made public in a few days.

## State Funeral Program.

A special from Cape Town says: "The coffin containing the body of Cecil Rhodes will be conveyed to the parliamentary buildings here during the morning of April 3 and will lie in state in the vestibule till 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when it will be removed to the Anglican cathedral, where the first portion of the burial service will be read.

"The funeral procession will afterwards traverse the principal streets of Cape Town to the railroad station. Thence the coffin will be taken by special train to Bulawayo, stopping for a short time at Kimberley. Only a few intimate friends will accompany the body to Bulawayo. The coffin, during the funeral procession at Cape Town, will be carried on the gun carriage of 'Long Cecil,' the famous gun used at the siege of Kimberley."

## INSURANCE RATES ADVANCED.

### This Time Dwellings in Atlanta Come Under Order of Association.

Fire insurance rates on dwellings in Atlanta, Ga., have been put up 33 1/3 per cent in accordance with an order issued by the Southeastern Tariff Association.

On frame dwellings the rate will in the future be 50 cents on the \$100, where in the past it has been 35 cents. For contents the rate will be 60 cents on the \$100 instead of 45 cents, as heretofore.

The rate on brick dwellings, which has been 20 cents on \$100, is now 30 cents, while for contents the rate is 40 cents on the \$100 instead of 20 cents.

These changes in rates became effective last Friday and will apply to all residences written in Atlanta in the future. Insurance men claim that even after the increase Atlanta has no ground to kick, since the rates there will still be lower than they are in any other city in this section.

## DON'T MENTION IT.

### Mark Hanna Says He is Not Hanking After the Presidency.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna has telegraphed a friend in Tomah, Wisconsin, stating that he is in no sense a candidate for the presidency in 1904, and requesting his friends to discourage any movement to that end. The telegram was as follows:

"United States Senate, Washington, D. C., March 22.—C. W. Croty, Tomah, Wis. Dear Sir: I have just received your letter of the 19th instant and wish to assure you of my thorough appreciation of the high compliment paid me in your suggestion in reference to the nomination in 1904. I am grateful for such friendship and confidence, but will say in reply that I am not in any sense a candidate and trust my friends will discourage any movement looking toward that end.

"Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain, Yours truly, 'M. A. HANNA.'"

## By Spontaneous Combustion.

The main milling department of the Virginia-Molina Chemical Company's plant at Memphis, Tenn., was wrecked Friday morning by fire caused by spontaneous combustion.

## WORKERS TO DEMAND RAISE.

### Unless Ten Per Cent is Forthcoming Augusta Mill Operatives Will Quit.

At a meeting of the King cotton mill operatives at Augusta Saturday it was decided to make a demand for a 10 per cent increase in wages on April 7. It is the understanding that if the King company grants the request, the other cotton mills in the vicinity will be requested to meet the raise. If the King mill refuses, the operatives will strike.

The King mill authorities say they will not comply with the demands, and a strike will be met by a lockout in the other mills.

## DESERTERS IN BAD FAVOR.

### President's Declaration Causes Excitement Among War Veterans.

The declaration by the president that so long as he is in office no deserter will find favor with him has excited the interest of organizations of war veterans, as to what will become of the widows of soldiers who deserted, afterwards enlisted in other commands and drew pensions for this latter service.

## RIXEY VISITS CHARLESTON.

### His Object Is to Look Over Grounds for Establishing Naval Hospital.

Surgeon General of the Navy Rixey is in Charleston, S. C., to look over the grounds for the naval station at that city, with a view to the establishment of a naval hospital. He will also visit Port Royal to inspect the naval hospital there and see what can be done in the way of increased accommodations.

## FRIGHTFUL HORROR

### Explosion in Tennessee Mine Wreaks Death and Disaster.

## VICTIMS NUMBER TWENTY-TWO

### Premature Blast Causes Dire Calamity in Nelson Pit of Dayton Coal and Iron Company.

At 4:45 o'clock Monday afternoon an explosion of gas in the Nelson mine of the Dayton Coal and Iron Company, at Dayton, Tenn., ignited the dry coal dust in the mine and caused a terrific explosion. Twenty-two men were killed to death.

## The List of Dead.

Whites—James Franklin, Tom Shaver, James Harris, P. G. Travis, Alex. Toifer, Lark Hunter, John Harney, Colored—J. E. Hill, Bryant Smith, Mack Foust, George Griffith, Ben Griffith, Reese Dean, Norris Piersoll, Morgan Smith, John Robinson.

Six others, names unknown. W. T. Head, brother of James Head, superintendent of the mine, was fatally burned, while seven men were seriously injured.

## How the Disaster Occurred.

Gas exists in the Nelson mine and the men are required to use safety lamps. It is the rule of the company for the miners to place their fuses ready to be lighted for blast just before quitting work each day, and there are workmen known as "firemen" who go through the mine after all the miners are out and set off these blasts. The miners quit work at 4:39 o'clock Monday afternoon. It took them about forty-five minutes to get out of the mine.

The two "firemen" on this occasion, who are supposed to have caused the explosion, are Lark Hunter and John Harney. They shot the blasts about 4:45 o'clock, before all the miners could get out of the mine. It is supposed that one of these fuses was defective and resulted in what is known as a "blow blast." The flames, shooting out from the blast, ignited the accumulation of dry coal dust in the mine. The explosion that followed was horrible in its intensity. It shot out of the mouth of the mine and completely wrecked the shed at the mine entrance. Three men were killed while standing outside the mine and two seriously and one fatally injured.

## Former Explosions.

This mine has been the scene of two serious explosions in the past. In 1899 four men were killed and eight seriously injured by an explosion of gas.

December 20, 1895, an explosion of mine dust occurred in which twenty-eight lives were lost. This was caused by a miner carrying an open lamp contrary to regulations.

In May, 1901, an explosion of a similar nature occurred in the Shallday mine, operated by the same company, in which twenty-one lives were lost. The force of the explosion in the Nelson mine was terrible. Bodies were literally mangled and torn to pieces.

The company states that there were but seventy-five men at work in the mine, most of them being out when the explosion occurred. Reports from Dayton at midnight showed that eleven dead bodies had been taken from the Nelson mine. The company claims there are but eight more in the mine. Miners claim there are twelve to fifteen more. Rescuing parties are at work, but at a late hour during the night struck a heavy fall of slate that will delay them for a day or two.

## TO ASSIST THE CUBANS.

### Ways and Means Committee Vote to Report Payne Concession Bill.

A Washington special says: The ways and means committee, by a vote of 11 to 6 Monday ordered a favorable report on the Payne bill for a 20 per cent tariff concession to Cuba, and Mr. Payne subsequently reported it to the house. Eight republicans voted for the bill in the committee.

## ON THE RIGHT LINE.

### Stock Company to Engage in Manufacturing at Marianna, Florida.

At a meeting of the capitalists of Marianna, Fla., \$30,000 was subscribed to a corporation to be called the Marianna Manufacturing Company. The company will erect a saw mill, grist mill, cotton gin and ice plant at Marianna, work to be begun at once. It is understood that wood working machinery will be put in, and that the plant will amount to a factory for the manufacture of articles from native Florida woods, and will develop as increasing demands require.

## TO AID ESTES RATHBONE.

### Hanna Wants Case Tried in United States Under American Law.

It is said in Washington that Senator Hanna proposes to introduce a bill which will prevent a court in the United States, under American law and American methods. The senator claims that under United States law evidence not admissible under the Cuban procedure will aid Rathbone.

## PRESIDENT IS DETERMINED.

### Will Insist on Securing Reciprocity With Island of Cuba.

A Washington special says: The cabinet discussed at length Tuesday the Cuban tariff situation. It is understood that the effort to secure reciprocity with Cuba is an administration measure, that President Roosevelt is carrying it out in pursuance of a promise of the policy, but of the promise of the President McKinley, and with the most hearty belief in it as being morally called for.

## PRESIDENT TRANSMITS MESSAGE

### Makes Recommendation to Congress For Consular and Diplomatic Representation in Cuba.

The president Thursday afternoon sent to congress a message recommending provision for diplomatic and consular representation in Cuba. The gist of the document reads as follows: I am advised by the secretary of war that it is now expected that the installation of the government of Cuba and the termination of the military occupation of that island by the United States will take place on the 20th of May next.

It is necessary and appropriate that the establishment of international relations with the government of Cuba should coincide with its inauguration, as well as to provide a channel for the conduct of diplomatic relations with the new state so as to open the path for the immediate negotiations or conventional agreements to carry out the provisions of the act above quoted.

It is also advisable that consular representation be established without delay at the principal Cuban ports in order that commerce with the island may be conducted with due regard to the formalities prescribed by the revenue and navigation statutes of the United States and that American citizens in Cuba may have the customary local resorts open to them for their business needs and the case arising for the protection of their rights.

I, therefore recommend that provision be forthwith made and the salaries appropriated, to be immediately available for:

- a.—Envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Republic of Cuba, \$10,000.
- b.—Secretary of the legation, \$2,000.
- c.—Second secretary of the legation, \$1,500.
- d.—Consul general Havana, \$5,000.
- e.—Consul at Cienfuegos, \$3,000; Santiago de Cuba, \$3,000.

I do not recommend the present restoration of the consulates formerly maintained at Baracoa, Cardenas, Matanzas, Nuevitas, Augu le Grande and San Juan de los Remedios. The commercial interests at those ports heretofore have not been large. The consular fees collected there during the fiscal year 1896-7 aggregated \$752.10. It is believed that the actual needs of the six offices named can be efficiently subserved by agents under the three principal consular officers until events may show the necessity for establishing a full consulate at any point.

The commercial and political conditions in the island of Cuba, while under the Spanish crown, afford little basis for estimating the local development of intercourse with this country under the influence of the new relations which have been created by the achievement of Cuban independence, and which are to be broadened and strengthened in every proper way by conventional treaties and compact with the Cuban and by wise and beneficent legislation aiming to stimulate commerce between the two countries, if the great task we accepted in 1898 is to be fittingly accomplished.

(Signed) THEODORE ROOSEVELT, White House, Washington, March 27, 1902.

## VIOLATED PEONAGE LAWS.

### Wealthy Turpentine Operator Convicted of Novel Crime in Florida Court.

A jury in the United States court at Tallahassee, Fla., returned a verdict of guilty against S. M. Clayatt, a wealthy turpentine operator, who was charged with a violation of the peonage laws of the United States.

The evidence introduced at the trial was to the effect that Clayatt secured warrants in Georgia for several negroes and returning to Florida brought about the arrests. The negroes were then taken, it is alleged, to Clayatt's turpentine farm, near Waterloo, Ga., where they were made to work until a debt they were charged with owing had been paid.

The case was brought by the United States government, and this is believed to be the first time that a federal court has ever attempted to enforce the statute against peonage.

## Army Appropriation Bill Passed.

The army appropriation bill was passed by the house Thursday without material amendment.

## NORTHERN AGAIN LEADER.

### Despite His Protest, Ex-Governor is Re-Elected by Georgia Baptists.

Hon. William J. Northen was re-elected president of the Georgia Baptist convention at its opening session in Rome, Thursday morning.

Soon after the gavel fell, President Northen said that for the last six years he had been highly honored by the brethren who had placed him in the chair of the presiding officer. For reasons that appeared satisfactory to himself, he had decided to return to the trust to the convention and to ask that some other man be elected to fill his place.

## ALLEGED FORGER ARRESTED.

### Indiana Man Charged With Securing \$100,000 On Worthless Paper.

Manson U. Johnson, of Anderson, Ind., who is alleged to have forged paper to the extent of \$100,000, was arrested in Hot Springs, Ark., Monday, at the request of Cashier Marker, of the Anderson National bank. Johnson was found at his room in one of the large hotels sick in bed and under a physician's care.

## DELAREY A SLIPPERY ONE.

### Kitchener's Plan to Round Up Boers, as Usual, Comes to Naught.

A London special says: Incomplete reports of the results of the combined movement of Delarey have enabled Lord Kitchener to announce the capture of about one hundred prisoners, three 15-pounders, two pompons, and stock, guns, etc. General Delarey appears to have successfully evaded Lord Kitchener at the offset.

## SOUTH CAROLINA

### STATE NEWS ITEMS.

### Prof. Moore Goes to Woods Hall.

Professor Andrew C. Moore, of the South Carolina college, has recently been appointed to a place on the biological staff of the marine biological laboratory at Woods Hall, on the coast of Massachusetts.

## The President's Escort.

The Charleston Light Dragons, one of the most historic commands in the state, from what can be heard at this end of the line, will be detailed to act as honorary and special escort to President Roosevelt while he is in Charleston.

## Woman's Sentence is Reduced.

Governor McSweeney, acting on recommendation of Solicitor Sease, has exercised clemency on behalf of Minnie Barnes, a white woman who was given a sentence of one year in the penitentiary for forgery. Her sentence was reduced to a fine of \$25, or three months imprisonment in the county jail.

## New Concern Chartered.

Among the new concerns chartered recently by the secretary of state was one to the Spring Island Barony Club, the capital of which is \$110,000. The incorporators are northern people who have purchased an island off the coast. W. H. Burgers, of New York, is president; Thomas Martin, Jr., of Beaufort, vice president, and Stephen N. Bond, of Boston, secretary.

## Lawyers' Compensation a Puzzle.

The governor is puzzled in the matter of paying the lawyers who are called in to preside over the special terms of court, which are more numerous this year than usual. Heretofore these bills have been paid out of the governor's contingent fund, but this year they are so large that the fund will be inadequate to meet this expense.

## General Hampton is Eighty-Four.

Last Sunday was General Wade Hampton's eighty-fourth birthday and the general was in fine spirits. The day was celebrated quietly at home by receiving a few friends who came to congratulate him, and by riding out during the forenoon and early afternoon.

## Tillman Will Answer Critics.

Lieutenant Governor James H. Tillman was seen in reference to the ruling he made on a motion to indefinitely postpone during the last session of the senate. When asked for a statement, he said:

"I have nothing to say at this time in reply. In