

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Some lively fighting is reported between French troops and rebels in Madagascar.

The British gunboat Harrier, has captured in the Red sea three pirate ships, with their entire crews.

Italy is reported to be preparing to be able to move a large number of troops in case of trouble in Macedonia.

Ladrones attacked the town of Manjan, Island of Mindoro, a few days ago, but were repulsed by the constabulary.

The Southern Railway has secured the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad, which completes its connections to New Orleans.

The South Carolina House of Representatives has passed a bill appropriating \$20,000 for a statue to the late Gen. Wade Hampton.

Warren Grover, a former naval apprentice, seventeen years old, crazed with cigarette smoking, killed himself yesterday at Jamestown, New York.

Mr. Wilton Snowden having refused to become a candidate, democratic sentiment seems divided between Mr. George Cator and Gen. F. C. Latrobe for the Mayoralty of Baltimore.

Thirty-one of the crew of the Dos Hermanos, who mutined last August off the Philippine Islands, have been convicted of murder in Manila and three sentenced to be hanged.

The German Foreign Office has modified its demand for a cash payment of \$340,000 from Venezuela to the extent of extending the installments over a period of five months.

One of the most elaborate and fashionable weddings that ever took place at Charles Town, Va., was that of Miss Angelica Schuyler Crosby to John Brooke Henderson, jr., yesterday.

Infatuation for a woman, the police believe, was the motive which led George Nelk to kill his mother and seriously, if not fatally, injure his feeble-minded sister at the family's home, Germantown, Pa., on Wednesday.

Archbishop Ireland was the guest of honor at a banquet given at the Auditorium Hotel, in Chicago, last night by the Lincoln Club in commemoration of the ninety-fourth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

In an address on the great emancipator, Archbishop Ireland said the negro must not be denied ballot or office. He also said colonies must become States; that population cannot be held in perpetual tutelage if Lincoln's principles are followed.

Charles Ross Robinson, aged 20 years, who Wednesday attempted suicide on a railroad train by cutting an artery in his wrist, and who was taken from the train to the insane asylum, at Cumberland, Md., hanged himself in a closet in the asylum yesterday.

While his attendant's back was turned Robinson quickly twisted a wire around his neck, fastened an end to a projection and jumped, breaking his neck. He had been working in the Patent Office, at Washington.

Disappointed by the persistent efforts of Arthur Delang, her affianced, to have their wedding day postponed, Miss Alma Dreiman, a leader of the young social set, ended her life by taking a dose of laudanum at Harrison, Tenn., yesterday.

Two attempts being made by her. Delang claims he loved her, but wanted a postponement on account of business reasons. Miss Dreiman left a pathetic note behind addressed to her lover, in which she acceded to his request for delay, but stated it was for eternity.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The smallpox situation continues to grow more serious in the vicinity of Chatham.

Thirteen barkeepers were arraigned in a Norfolk court yesterday and several heavily fined for selling liquor on Sunday.

The reception at the Executive Mansion Wednesday night given by Governor Montague to the General Assembly was a brilliant affair.

Private C. R. Whitley, Company C, Seventy-first Virginia Infantry, who was supposed to have been dead, has suddenly made his appearance at Newport News.

Miss Vernetta Greene and Mr. Geo. A. McKinney, both of Loudoun, were married Wednesday at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Green, of Leesburg, by Rev. Sydney G. Ferguson.

Mattie Lou McCormick, a pretty girl from Newport News, had Robert Boughter before the police justice yesterday and charged him with her ruin under promise of marriage.

The girl's father, when questioned, said he had never heard of an engagement to marry, and the case was dismissed.

Traffic over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad is heavy, emphasizing the need of the double track, preparations for which are being rapidly pushed.

The double track has been practically completed between Ashland and Richmond, a distance of 16 miles, and freight trains are now being run on the new-made track.

David Anthony, representing Martin Anthony, a horse and cattle dealer, of Franklinton, Pa., is wanted in Front Royal charged with passing a worthless check, not paying his board bills and other offenses.

He posted circulars stating that he would buy a carload of horses. In the meantime he made a deal in which, it is alleged, he gave a worthless check for \$75. A warrant was issued for his arrest.

As a result of a drunken spree last night Benjamin Adams, a well-known young man of West Norfolk, was shot by his brother, Percy Adams; his life now hangs by a thread.

For no apparent cause Benjamin threatened to kill Percy with a cleaver, Percy, who was sober, drew a pistol and fired twice into the ground in the hope of intimidating the drink-crazed man, but this had no effect.

Then, to save his life, he fired two shots, one of which took effect in Benjamin's abdomen, making a wound which the doctors say will prove fatal.

WHIPPED BY PARENTS.—At the Kearny, N. J., Police Court yesterday morning there was another of the spanking benches instituted as a mode of punishment for juvenile offenders by Recorder Krebs, of that town.

Two young alleged highwaymen, Charles Tobin, 13 years old, and Edward Donnelly, 12 years old, were publicly whipped in court by their parents.

A stout rope kept on hand for such cases was obtained, and while the captain of police held the boys across the table their parents laid on the rope with a will.

The screams of the boys could be heard for some distance outside the police station, and after their punishment ended they limped from the building, promising never to do wrong again.

Tobin and Donnelly admitted that they were concerned in a number of hold-ups.

LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

The Senate yesterday elected, 24 circuit judges and one county judge. There were no contests.

The list is as follows: First circuit, W. N. Portlock, by Mr. Cromwell; Second circuit, R. E. Prentiss, by Mr. Shands; Third circuit, J. F. West, by Mr. Shands; Fourth circuit, B. A. Hancock, by Mr. Cogbill; Fifth circuit, J. H. Hundley, by Mr. Watkins; Sixth circuit, W. R. Barksdale, by Mr. Halsey; Seventh circuit, E. W. Saunders, by Mr. Harvey; Eighth circuit, John M. White, by Mr. Massie; Ninth circuit, D. A. Grimsley, by Mr. Barksdale; Tenth circuit, R. Carter Scott, by Mr. Bryant; Eleventh circuit, J. W. G. Blackstone, by Mr. Tyler; Twelfth circuit, T. R. B. Wright, by Mr. Sears; Thirteenth circuit, G. T. Garnett, by Mr. Sears; Fourteenth circuit, J. Filmore Hubbard, by Mr. Tyler; Fifteenth circuit, John E. Mason, by Mr. Wickham; Sixteenth circuit, C. E. Nicol, by Mr. Donohoe; Seventeenth circuit, T. W. Harrison, by Mr. Lupton; Eighteenth circuit, S. H. Lecher, by Mr. Kezziel; Nineteenth circuit, George K. Anderson, by Mr. Rivercomb; Twentieth circuit, Henry E. Blair, by Mr. Clay; Twenty-first circuit, R. C. Jackson, by Mr. St. Clair; Twenty-second circuit, W. J. Henderson, by Mr. Herman; Twenty-third circuit, Frank B. Hutton, by Mr. Byars; Twenty-fourth circuit, H. A. W. Sken, by Mr. Bruce.

For judge of the County Court of Southampton, Mr. Shands, was nominated by J. B. Prince, jr. All these nominees received all of the votes cast and were declared elected.

A remarkable feature was the nomination of George K. Anderson for his circuit by George E. Revercomb, republican Senator, and W. J. Hinson by Senator Harman, from Tazewell, as judge of his circuit. These judges are nominees of the democratic caucus, and it is the first time in the history of that body that a republican ever nominated a democrat who was selected by the caucus.

No speeches were made, but when the name of Judge R. C. Jackson was called considerable interest was manifested. Senator St. Clair made no reference to the proposed movement in opposition to Judge Jackson, but when he briefly presented his name to the Senate he put strong emphasis on his name, and made the nomination in such a loud voice that it might have been heard out in Capitol Square.

In an executive session that lasted two hours and in which there was much speaking the Senate turned down the appointment by the State Board of Education of D. S. Pollock as superintendent of schools for Pulaski. No reason was given why Mr. Pollock was not confirmed. He is a lawyer and a friend of ex-Governor J. Hoge Tyler.

The only objection to Mr. Pollock was that the Senator and delegate from Pulaski had recommended another man, and these the board had ignored. The legislators were expected to be better acquainted with the wishes of their constituents than the board, and they recommended E. L. Dard.

The child labor bill was made a special order for next Wednesday.

The Harman bill providing for the confinement of habitual drunkards in hospitals or sanitariums was passed with some amendments.

Mr. Shackelford introduced an amendment yesterday to the local option law which makes it apply to precincts, so that should an election district go wet in one precinct and not in another, whisky might be sold in the wet precinct and not in the one in which the majority voted against it.

An effort will be made to get the legislature to create a state board of charities, and Dr. Wines, whose address before the conference of charities and corrections created such a fine impression, will be invited to address the legislature.

DUAL TRAGEDY.

Details were received in Roanoke yesterday afternoon of a shooting affray which took place Wednesday night at the little mining town of Eckman, in McDowell county, W. Va., five miles from Welch Court House, and which resulted in the killing of two men and the wounding of three bystanders.

John Frith and William Height lived at Eckman and conducted a restaurant at Welch Court House, being partners in the business, and taking night about in going home and in remaining at Welch to look after their eating-house. Frith had for some time suspected that there was an intimacy existing between his wife and his business partner, but had no conclusive proof of his helpmate's unfaithfulness until Tuesday night, when he returned home unexpectedly and is said to have caught Height in his wife's bedchamber.

A personal encounter ensued, in which neither man was injured. Frith at once had his wife and Height arrested and placed in the county jail at Welch. The pair were released from custody Wednesday evening and Height, in company with three of his children, the eldest being his son Jesse, returned to Eckman.

Frith met Height and his children on the street and asked Height to one side for a private conversation. The men quarreled, and Frith drew a 38-caliber pistol and fired a shot through Height's head, killing him instantly. Height fell dead, with his hand on his pistol in his hip pocket. Frank Williams, an uncle of Height, who had witnessed the affair, caught hold of Frith to prevent him from harming Height's children.

In the struggle between Frith and Williams for the possession of the former's revolver, the weapon was discharged four times. One ball passed through young Jesse Height's thigh and another struck Dave Elrod in the right side, inflicting a serious wound. After freeing himself from Williams' grasp, Frith ran to the dead body of William Height and taking the revolver from the dead man's pocket, fired on Williams. One ball passed through his brain and another lodged near the heart, causing almost instant death. A third shot fired at Williams went wild and struck Ephraim Fellers in the jaw inflicting a flesh wound.

Frith then walked up the side of the mountain and escaped.

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THE PROPOSED MONUMENT.

The following is taken from the Philadelphia City and State:

"Colonel A. K. McClure has prepared a bill designed for passage through the Legislature of Pennsylvania which was presented in the House by Mr. Cooper, having as its object the erection of a monument on the field of Gettysburg to the late Confederate General, Robert E. Lee. The project aims to secure the co-operation of Virginia with our own State in erecting this memorial to the greatest and best man—many essentials of greatest and goodness being considered—that the South produced; a man, indeed, of whom the entire country may be proud. There will doubtless be many persons who remember well the losses of the civil war and the dangers with which it threatened the Union, unwilling to favor a plan which would thus honor on northern soil the chief hero of the South. They will oppose the plan on the ground that it is unpatriotic, that it would show some sympathy with the political cause that General Lee espoused, and which, partly through his military ability and service, inflicted such loss on the country. We would not so view the matter. We dissent totally from the South's attempt to disrupt the Union. We think that was a terrible political fallacy. But nevertheless we love the South as much as any southerner could do; more wisely, we flatter ourselves, than do some southerners; while we not only admire and revere General Robert E. Lee, but we think that recognition of his preeminent virtues by men of the South and of the North will prove of great benefit to both. Such recognition will promote true patriotism. The war is over, long over; its animosities should be buried. We need the aid of good men and women of the South to meet present national problems, and they in turn need our aid. We are one people again, let us act toward one another in that spirit. Let us not forget, moreover, the humane spirit in which Robert E. Lee conducted military operations during the devastations of the Valley of the Shenandoah suffered under Sheridan, or Georgia when Sherman marched to the sea. What better or more beautiful spectacle could be presented to the world than the sister States of Virginia and Pennsylvania joining hands in erecting on the field for which Lee fought and lost, a statue of the man who sacrificed everything for the State to which he honestly thought his first allegiance was due and who, when the conflict ended in defeat for him and his cause, urged his brethren of the South to turn back from a loved but lost cause to loyal devotion to the American union. We hope the Grand Army will support this project and carry it to a successful issue. Noblesse oblige! The descendants of Roundhead and Cavalier have erected a statue to Cromwell at Westminster. Let us not be outdone by the British in magnanimity. Let Blue and Gray erect a memorial to Robert E. Lee at Gettysburg."

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

FROM RICHMOND.

[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.]

Richmond, Va., Feb. 13.—The Senate today by a vote of 32 to 2 passed the Halsey bill for placing the statue of Gen. Lee in the Statuary Hall in the Capitol in Washington.

Mr. Campbell testified in his own behalf today, making some strong statements.

A Violent Scene.

Paris, Feb. 13.—A violent scene was caused in the Chamber of Deputies today by an interpellation by Deputy Binder regarding the Humbert affair. The deputy accused the government of corruption in the affair, and called Premier Combs a chameleon. The vice-president, who was in the chair, ordered Binder to withdraw his terms, but the latter refused. Amid a general uproar the ministers left the hall. M. Binder continued to use harsh terms in characterizing the government's action, referring to the premier as "sinuous." The vice-president became so exasperated that he ordered the galleries cleared, and, putting on his hat, left the chair. The sitting was afterwards suspended amid a wild scene of disorder. When the sitting was resumed debate on the interpellation was adjourned.

A Sensational Tragedy.

Jackson, Tenn., Feb. 13.—Robert A. McCaw, a student in the Southwestern Baptist University, was last night called to his door and shot and killed by an unknown assassin. Daniel Hudgins, warden of the University, has been arrested, charged with the murder. Near midnight McCaw answered a knock at the front door. Opening the door, he was shot down, the assailant escaping in the darkness. The shooting was shrouded in mystery for a time until the police learned that the young daughter of Warden Hudgins had eloped in the afternoon with a student and that Hudgins was searching for the unwelcome son-in-law, with a revolver. It is said that the warden had been told that McCaw was the man who had procured the marriage license.

Followed Roosevelt's Example.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 13.—At a banquet given members of the legislature and State officials in Provo, by Senator-elect Smoot, six colored men and women were present and were waited upon at the same table with white guests by white girls. Although some of the white people declined to sit at the same table, the shift was made quietly and a scene averted. The negroes obtained admittance through the fact that one of their number is a doorkeeper in the House of Representatives. However, Smoot is quoted as saying in explanation: "If President Roosevelt isn't too good to entertain a colored man at the White House, I don't see why I should not have colored people as my guests."

Fears Her Baneful Influence.

Madrid, Feb. 13.—Former Queen Isabella II recently expressed a wish to visit her grandson, King Alfonso. The Queen's mother, however, who is Isabella's daughter-in-law, put a temporary stop to her mother-in-law's plans by informing her that if she should come to Madrid she would not be received at court, nor be allowed to live at the palace. The Queen's mother gave as her reason that she wished to keep Alfonso, as far as possible, in ignorance of his grandmother's past life. Queen Isabella, nevertheless, is determined to see her grandson, and is now planning to go to Seville in April, at which time King Alfonso is expected to be there.

The Strike Commission.

Philadelphia, Feb. 13.—At last the beginning of the end is reached in the long-drawn out hearings of the anthracite strike commission. When the commission adjourns this afternoon, after the last word has been spoken on behalf of the miners by Clarence S. Darrow, all that will remain to be done will be for the commission to struggle with the great mass of testimony and render the decision which, no matter what it may be, will be binding upon both operators and miners for three years. Immediately upon the convening of the commission this morning Attorney Darrow resumed the argument begun yesterday afternoon.

Accused by His Wife.

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—James Combs, who until two years ago, was a Baptist minister, has been granted a divorce by Superior Judge Graham, from his wife, Carrie A. Combs. He testified on the witness stand that he was forced to leave the ministry because of his wife's accusations against his moral character. She imagined he was in love with every woman in his congregation and as she made her charges publicly, his influence was undermined and he had to quit.

Russia's Grasping Policy.

Vienna, Feb. 13.—Russia has taken a hand in the Balkan situation and is secretly urging Bulgaria to declare war against Turkey, well knowing that the crushing defeat of the former country is inevitable. When Turkey overruns Bulgaria, Russia, it is said, will intervene and rescue and may even annex the defeated country as a compensation for her trouble. This Muscovite scheme involves millions of lives, but Russian statesmen consider this a small price to pay for the extension of the Czar's domains.

Assaulted and Murdered.

Philadelphia, Feb. 13.—Just before midnight last night a woman was assaulted and murdered just across the Philadelphia line in Montgomery county. The victim is Regina Curry, aged 26, a pretty dressmaker. She had been attacked at a lonely spot on her way home. The police are looking for an unknown man, who was observed to follow her when she left a trolley car.

Taken to the Penitentiary.

New York, Feb. 13.—William Hooper Young, self confessed murderer of Mrs. Anna Pultizer, and sentenced for life to Sing Sing prison, was taken this afternoon to the State prison. He was handcuffed between two negro burglars. Previous to leaving the Towers, Young had a conference with his brother, J. Wesley Young.

DIED.

On Friday morning, February 13, 1903, GEORGE O. MONROE, son of the late John H. and Elizabeth Monroe, in his 47th year. Funeral services from the residence of his mother, Robert L. Monroe, 510 North Washington street, on Sunday, February 15, at 3 p. m. Friends of the family are invited. In papers private.—(Baltimore and Roanoke papers please copy.)

Crossed Her Schoolmate's Skull.

Oreana, W. Va., Feb. 13.—Sixteen year old Blanche Collins, a mountain girl living a few miles from this place is in jail here for crushing the skull of Frank Hendrix, aged 7 years, with a rock. With other children the girl and Hendrix were on their way home from school, when a mud ball battle started, and Blanche Collins was struck by a stone. This angered her, and, stung by her brother's reproaches, she followed his suggestion of getting square. Seizing a big rock she ran toward the child, who had taken no part in the battle, and deliberately dashed out his brains. Her brother has fled.

Judgment Affirmed.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 13.—The State Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of \$60,000 in favor of Narcissus Saunders against Col. John H. Savage, a suit for libel uttered fifty years ago. The defendant in the case is Col. John H. Savage, now 88 years of age, a veteran of the Seminole and Mexican wars and twice a member of Congress. The alleged libelous statements were of a very personal nature. Miss Saunders alleged that Col. Savage bore malice toward her for refusing to marry him. Though both are now bent with age, neither has ever married.

Shot by Burglars.

Tonawanda, N. Y., Feb. 13.—Chief of Police Charles Diedrich and his wife returned from a ball last night, arriving at their home about 1:30 o'clock this morning. As the chief opened the door he was met by a man who fired four shots at him from a revolver, two of which took effect. Chief Diedrich, although wounded and stunned, drew his revolver and fired one shot at the burglar as the latter dashed past him into the street. At 2 o'clock this morning the physicians said Diedrich's condition was extremely critical and that he might not live until daylight.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The American liner St. Paul, from New York, arrived at Southampton at noon today, two days late. She was delayed by fog.

It is asserted that the porte has released all the convicts in north Macedonia. The men released have already commenced to plunder Christians in the section.

A dispatch from Constantinople states that the Sultan, after considerable difficulty, has secured sufficient money to pay the final installment allowing the delivery of Mauser rifles for Turkish troops.

It is stated that orders have been issued for reserve officers of the French army to hold themselves in readiness to join the army at 24 hours notice. It is believed that the action is due to the increasingly serious aspect of affairs in Macedonia.

The Vienna Neue Frie Presse today reports terrible vengeance taken on Salonica Christians by Turks. The paper states that Christians in the vilayet of Salonica recently murdered two Turkish children, the Turks of the vicinity rose and murdered 30 of the Christians.

Miss Gladys Deacon, the beautiful American girl who has on several occasions been reported as engaged to high nobles, in Europe, is ill at Biarritz, France, as the result of an unsuccessful sub-cutaneous injection of vaseline in an attempt to improve the line of her nose.

The Vienna Tagblatt today reports that the Czar has ordered M. De Plenhu the Minister of the Interior to elaborate a moderate scheme for a constitutional government for Russia. The Czar, the paper asserts, proposes that the present imperial council be made an upper House, and that a second Chamber be elected by the Zemstros, or provincial assemblies the Polish provinces are excluded from representation according to his plan.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Fire in the navy department building, at Buenos Ayres, last night, caused a loss of \$1,000,000.

The bodies of the nine sailors of the battleship Massachusetts, who lost their lives by the explosion of a twelve-inch gun in the turret of the battleship, arrived at New York today on the United States collier Ajax from San Juan. The bodies were brought here for burial.

A blizzard has been raging over the entire Rocky Mountain region. The ranges are covered with two feet of snow, and cattle and sheep, unable to find grazing, are dying by hundreds.

Two young men, John Corney and Frank Miller, lost their lives near Churchville, N. Y., by being struck by a fast freight on the New York Central road last night.

Monetary and Commercial.

New York, Feb. 13.—The stock market opened active and generally lower.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA

Flour Extra..... 275 a 315  
Family..... 375 a 400  
Sawyer brands..... 400 a 430  
Wheat, longberry..... 080 a 082  
Mixed..... 080 a 081  
Fultz..... 080 a 081  
Damp..... 080 a 081  
Corn, white..... 056 a 058  
Mixed..... 054 a 058  
Yellow..... 056 a 058  
Corn Meal..... 068 a 070  
Eye..... 068 a 070  
Oats, mixed, new..... 045 a 048  
White, new..... 046 a 050  
Elgin Print Butter..... 030 a 031  
Butter, Virginia, packed..... 014 a 016  
Choice Virginia..... 025 a 028  
Common to middling..... 014 a 016  
Eggs..... 016 a 017  
Dressed Chickens..... 013 a 014  
Live Chickens (hens)..... 011 a 012  
Spring chickens..... 011 a 012  
Live Turkeys, lb..... 014 a 015  
Dressed Turkeys..... 016 a 017  
Dressed Hogs, small..... 073 a 078  
Large..... 070 a 075  
Potatoes, Va., bush..... 070 a 075  
Sweet Potatoes, yams, bbl..... 200 a 300  
Yellow, bbl..... 175 a 250  
Onions, per bushel..... 100 a 110  
Apples..... 200 a 225  
Dried Cherries..... 014 a 016  
Dried Apples..... 03 a 05  
Dried Peaches, peeled..... 06 a 011  
Bacon, country hams..... 013 a 014  
Dried Corn..... 025 a 028  
Butchers' hams..... 013 a 014  
Breakfast Bacon..... 012 a 013  
Sugar-cured shoulders..... 011 a 011  
Bulk shoulders..... 009 a 010  
Dry Salt sides..... 010 a 010  
Fat backs..... 010 a 010  
Bellies..... 010 a 010  
Smoked shoulders..... 011 a 012  
Smoked sides..... 011 a 012  
Veal Calves..... 06 a 06  
Lamb..... 05 a 06  
Lard..... 010 a 014  
Smoked Beef..... 014 a 014  
Sugar-cured hams..... 040 a 045  
Off A..... 430 a 450  
Conf. standard A..... 460 a 465  
Granulated..... 084 a 012  
Cocoa..... 014 a 016  
Lard..... 016 a 028  
Java..... 016 a 028  
Molasses B. S..... 017 a 014  
C. B..... 020 a 045  
Sugar..... 016 a 028  
Porto Rico..... 018 a 028  
Fine..... 015 a 015  
Salt-G. A..... 075 a 115  
Turk's Island..... 100 a 100