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## BIG TUNNEL COMPLETED

### CONTRACTOR THRASHER INVITES ALL CHATTANOOGA TO INSPECT BIG JOB.

Chattanooga Times (yesterday): H. H. Thrasher, contractor with V. J. Oliver on the Lookout mountain tunnel, announced the completion of his work last night and today he was "at home" to those of this city who cared to visit the work.

Contractor Thrasher has issued a general invitation to the people of Chattanooga to meet him at the Hotel Patten at 11 o'clock this morning to take special Lookout mountain cars, which will be provided by him. An informal meeting will be held inside the tunnel and the great engineering work will be inspected in detail. After the inspection of the tunnel is completed, the crowd will adjourn to the eastern end, where a luncheon will be served in honor of the occasion.

The Lookout mountain tunnel was commenced Nov. 1, 1906. At the same time, two sections of men began working at both ends. The engine and apparatus was placed at the western entrance and by a power wire strung over the mountain, power was supplied to both sides. After six months of work, in February, 1907, the two sections met near the center of the tunnel and so remarkably accurate had been the calculations of the engineers that the two 1022 feet sections met with a variation of only three-quarters of an inch. The work of leveling and cementing the bottom of the tunnel and making the ceiling solid was then taken up.

The work would have been finished several months ago, but for the fact that in the general reduction of the Southern railway work, Mr. Thrasher was restricted in his payroll to a very small amount each month and was forced to make a corresponding cut in the amount of work done on the tunnel daily.

As finished, the tunnel is 30 feet wide and will be equipped with double tracks. From the rails to the ceiling is 22 feet—amply sufficient to admit the running of trains without undue discomfort from smoke, which will have room in which to "spread out." The tunnel is 3,600 feet in length and is surpassed by not more than two or three in the south.

"It is, of course, impossible to forecast as to the beginning of the actual use of the tunnel," said Mr. Thrasher to a Times representative. "The completion of the approaches and the other work which has been interrupted by the Southern's retrenchment policy will determine this. I understand that work will begin anew on the Stevenson extension sometime in August."

## Sunday School Picnic

WHITWELL, Tenn., July 17.—There will be a Sunday school picnic at Hickory Grove Saturday week. The following names were on the arrangements were elected by the Sunday school: James and John Johnson, Leander Smith, R. F. Rogers, G. W. White, Harrison Pickett, and Benj. Kinney. There will be a baseball game and instrumental music. A base ball game. Something to be done to suit most everybody. At least every one may enjoy the day. Refreshments will be had. A raise money to pay balance of the church and supply of the church. A large number of people are cordially invited. Come all.

## Business Change at Jasper.

JASPER, Tenn., July 17.—It was made public by the employ of S. H. Alexander for the past four years, had purchased the grocery store of J. E. Cameron. Mr. Darr is going into wholesale produce and is in partnership with Robertson, in South Pittsburg, having purchased the store of J. W. Cameron.

## FLOATER FROM FIVE COUNTIES NAMED

The democratic floterial convention for Van Buren, Sequatchie, Bledsoe, Grundy and Cumberland counties met on last Friday at Spencer in Van Buren county. H. P. Payne of Dunlap, was nominated for federal representative from these counties, and was instructed to vote for Rean E. Folk for state treasurer, and Frank Dibrell for comptroller.

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## In Reply to "Uncle Tom."

Editor News:

I noticed in the last issue of "Mrs. Grundy," "Uncle Tom" puts all of his feet on the union. He said unionism couldn't be where religion was and that it had ruined Tracy City. Now, I want to say if it has ruined Tracy and he doesn't think a man can go to heaven and be union, I am certainly glad "Uncle Tom" has found peace to his soul, for I was sure uneasy, for the Scripture said if the blind lead the blind they would both fall in the ditch, so I am glad "Uncle Tom" has found a resting place. You don't know how much good it did me when I heard "Uncle Tom" was on the Lord's side. I knew the Bible said "flesh nor blood cannot enter the kingdom," still I knew God had blessed this man and had him here for some purpose, and I guessed it was best known to himself. I have prayed time and again for him, I saw he was the proper child, but he is like a good many other men. We all talk too much, but it is all right now, no matter what he does. It doesn't matter what a christian does, he will prosper anyway.

Now, "Uncle Tom," will you be still about five minutes until I put another star in your crown? A man can't get too good to go to God. If the Lord was to call you some day to come up home, would you not want to have ten or fifteen good christians to go with you? It would be peace and comfort to you? Sure, I would say. Well, wouldn't that be union? It certainly would be union. If I had the least idea the union would cause my soul to be damned I would fight it the rest of my days, but I do not believe any such stuff. I do believe that a union man will be put in the shining place of glory and his crown decorated with bright, shining stars, and a new song put in his mouth, and this is what will be said to him. "Rest at ease and think back in your world and sing. Oh, did you ever meet a poor sinner on the street? Oh, it's a pity, but don't condemn him I pray for it scabbing that brought him to it. He is some mother's child, I know. Oh, it's a pity, but don't condemn him, I pray."

Now, I don't say this to dishearten "Uncle Tom." Just let him go on for if he is christian, he is just the thing he ought to be, and you know a christian is not going to do wrong. If he does it is all best known to him self. He said six or seven years ago he warned some of the christians what the union would do. I guess he professed when he was asked to show his principle in 1902. If you are a man be a man. Don't be all the time on the fence. You can find a good man anytime.

"Uncle Tom" said let God feed the people. Well, he is right about that, but the union is only feeding about 150 men at Tracy and they have all small families. They let the Lord feed all large families like "Uncle Tom's." He wants free, independent men, men who will let the company treat them as they please.

"Uncle Tom" went on Shadrack Hill last week, where the good people were having a good, old-time meeting, and he talked about the big things he had done and it wrecked the meeting. He could not have been sent by the Lord. If he had, he would have had some good influence. He can't fight the labor union and be on his road to heaven, for, for it takes a man that doesn't fear God nor the devil, and one that has no respect for himself nor anybody else, to fight union labor these days.

I think "Uncle Tom" is well fixed for heaven. He has had his teeth all pulled out and quit tobacco and is well fixed to live without sin, but he seems to want to have a pull at the union. If I were he, and on my way to heaven as well fixed to go as he is, I wouldn't let unionism bother my mind, but I would get all of the union men on my shoulder, go to God with them and say, "Here Lord, I have brought you some of the men I led astray when the convicts were at Tracy City."

I know something about this good old way of living without sin. I will tell you what I did, and what a man must do if he gets right with God. He must go down on his knees and say, "Here I am, Lord. I know I am weak in the sight of man, and God. Now, Blessed God, I know I have been everything but a man. I have been a liek for all companies and a robber to the labor union. Now, Oh Lord, help me and I will give back all I have taken from the poor, and will pay back fourfold. I hope the Lord will bless "Uncle Tom," and keep his mind directed from this day on. Lord, he knows not what he does. Show him his littleness before God and man. Tell him the good union men at Tracy know him. Open his eyes and put him in the light. Show him his weak condition, Blessed God. The people at Tracy City know there is something wrong with him. Put him back into his right mind now and clean his heart and fill it full of love."

I was a woman and my man was to sit down and talk about the poor class of laborers who had to work and toll day by day for what bread they ate. I would not be caught in company with him. Some men may think a poor woman don't have anything to do. If the poor woman did not do anything and did not have to do anything she needs more praise than a man, but there are some men in this world who are not worthy of a birthday, and it is a shame for a poor woman to have to give birth to such men.

"Uncle Tom" said something about the church and people being misled

by the union. He seems to have an idea that a man must lay down unionism if he lives a christian life. Now, I think about 300 good men in Tracy City claim to have religion, and if God directs the hearts of three hundred men that way it is right to be long to a union.

Now, I hope "Uncle Tom" will consider this letter, and know the good people of Tracy City are good, honest-hearted men and don't care to be criticized by "Uncle Tom." It don't bother them one bit, and all of them send up honest prayers to God every day for "Uncle Tom." They say he is a poor weak-minded old man, and they all wish him well. BLUE RIBBON.

## Third District.

Special to the News.

Ye writer is sick and is behind time this week, but will try to give a few dots anyway, as we slide along down the line.

There is a big meeting going on at Barnett's school house. I hope that much and everlasting good may be accomplished up here by this movement, as there are probably as needy creatures here as ever loved before a God.

There is some sickness here this week. Julius Pickett has been on the sick list for some time past and is not doing any good.

David Dempsey is building a new barn this week.

R. F. White is finishing up his new house. Will be ready to occupy it soon.

We will expect Mrs. D. M. Tate up Saturday and daughter-in-law, Sarah, as per agreement while I was down there last week.

There will be an inquest to take place at the company mill over the body of the infant that was taken out of said river and buried on the bank of the same, if the County Coroner, Mr. McCullough, will only be present, as per agreement. Your writer will take a little stock in that case for the good of the rising generation, and true facts are to be made known to the world.

We are sorry to pen the death of Jack Shoemaker, who died Monday.

Mark Young, our old-time friend, called on us today for the first time in four years.

R. E. Rogers is contemplating moving to parts unknown to ye writer in the near future.

J. H. Bailey and family, A. B. Hall and family, were visiting W. H. White Sunday.

There will be a big picnic given Saturday week at Hickory Grove. Public speaking, ice cream, lemonade and a big ball game will be the attractions of the day. I think ye writer is billed as one of the speakers on said day.

I can't get up very much news as all the preachers have about dropped out of the ring. I think they are attending church this week.

## Belle Sumpter, Ala.

Special to the News.

Times are looking up in this country. Some might say that times were growing worse on account of the protracted strike, but who would say it? No one except a company, such as did not know any better for lack of brain. In the Word of God we find where it says, "The prayers of the righteous availeth much," and I thank God today that he has heard and answered prayers in regard to this labor union question and is now working things so that one day in the future we can enjoy the fruits of our labor. I just want to say that 60 days ago union camps were a scarce thing in this country. Now, there are not more than one or two camps in the state not organized and I am sure they will be in a few days. I would be glad if someone would tell through the News if Tennessee is trying to organize, if not go to work, boys, and organize as soon as possible, and try to get from under bondage, for a non-union miner, in a sense, is in a worse state than the negro was in slave times, for the men who owned them didn't expect them to do anything but work and take the whip, and the non-union man is expected to feed and clothe his family and himself, pay his tax, and do a lot of things, and above all, just work, work for the moneyed man for nothing. Can we stand that? No, let's all unite, and stand for our rights, and we will get them. This world's goods are not rightly divided. When God made heaven and earth, the sea and all things therein he did not mean for it all to be hogged up by a few. He made it for all. So come, let's try to get in a position to get at least a part of what is ours.

My little crop is needing rain badly. We have not had a rain of much account for sometime.

Well, "Bonny Boy," I would like, if you can, to come and spend a while with us, and help us eat "union chump," once more, and if you can't come, write. I know that you can do that.

My watermelons are fine. Have sold nearly ten dollar's worth this week. Fat Bill.

Bert Barber, of Elton, Wis., says: "I have only taken four doses of your Kidney and Bladder Pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done. I am still taking the pills as I want a perfect cure." Mr. Barber refers to DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. Sold by J. W. Simpson, Jasper, Tenn.

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## NEGRO PROTECTS HIS HOME

### Henry Williams Shoots and Kills Lawrence Robinson.

SOUTH PITTSBURG, Tenn., July 19.—Henry Williams shot and killed Lawrence Robinson here yesterday. Both are colored. Robinson had been warned by Williams to stay away from his Williams' wife. Robinson would not heed the warning, persisting in going with the woman and boasting that he was not afraid of Williams. He even went so far as to threaten him with death if he interfered with his liaison. He armed himself yesterday and took the Williams woman for a walk. Williams hearing of it overtook the couple and remonstrated with them. Robinson pulled his gun, but Williams was too quick for him, shooting him three times in the breast and arms, from which death resulted today. Williams is a hard-working, sober negro, and as the respect of all who know him. Public sentiment here sustains him in his action. Robinson, the victim, was a quarrelsome, overbearing fellow and all unite in saying he got what was coming to him.

## Mars Hill.

Special to the News.

Going to meetings is the order of the day. Brother Hart preached a good sermon at our church today, after Sunday school services.

Bro. William Kilgore went to hold services with Bro. Disheroon in Lankfordtown today. They report a good meeting. Brother Kilgore says three chickens die every day where he goes, and if "Cold Wave" has got up that old rooster he can eat it himself.

Thomas Levan and wife went to Tracy City last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Owen and James Watley, from Gizzard Cove, were the guests of her son, Thomas Levan, the first of last week. She returned home Thursday after enjoying herself very much with the people on Mars Hill.

Come on, "Rambling Sam", with your pieces. I like to read them. I enjoy reading the letters from all.

George Grayson and family were out driving today.

Burl Watley and son and brother have returned to Tracy on a visit to see their friends. They will be here for a few days.

Miss Mary Nunley was with her best fellow today.

James Floyd attended the meeting of Uncle Will Kilgore in Lankfordtown today.

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## Providence, Tenn.

Special to the News.

There is a great deal of sickness in our vicinity at the present writing. James Henley who has been very low with typhoid fever is reported a little better.

Miss Jessie Caldwell, Mrs. Robt. Henley and Sumner Bell have the fever.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conry visited the family of George Clay in Burrow's Cove Sunday.

The Providence Sunday school cleared about twenty-five dollars with their ice cream and lemonade stand at the picnic the 4th.

Walter Thomas and family and George Thomas and family of Montegale were the guests of James Partin last week.

Mrs. Alf Tate and children, of Tracy City, after spending several days with friends at Hillsborough, stopped over a few days with Mrs. Cannon.

Mrs. Rebecca Cannon and Harvey Cannon and family visited the former's sister Mrs. George Tate at Hillsborough last week.

Andrew Brannon, of Tracy City, was on our streets last week.

John Conry and Henry Jacobs are calling on their many friends at Montegale today and offering them all kinds of garden "sass" at the market value.

Henry Sherill and Harvey Cannon carried a load of Irish potatoes to Decberd last week.

## Met Their Match.

Three students of one of the leading colleges determined to play a trick on one of the professors.

For a week they collected all kinds of bugs and finally had gathered a large number of them. Selecting a half dozen of the most uniformly sized, they took them apart; then they glued a leg of one, a head of another, a body of a third, etc., until they had a perfectly made body of a bug, and a very funny one. Next day when the bug was dry they took it to the professor.

"We found it an hour ago," said the spokesman, "in the back field. It is very queer, and we thought you could tell us the name of it."

"So I can," said the professor after he had looked at it. "It is a specimen of the humbug."—Philadelphia Ledger.

## Entertained Friends.

A society event we failed to learn of in time to mention before going to press Thursday morning last was the entertainment of friends by Miss Lena Campbell of Jasper at the Blowing Spring the night before. Supper was spread on the ground at 6 o'clock and thoroughly enjoyed. Those composing the party were Misses Minerva Pope, Gertrude Alexander, Aileen Pope, Nell and Lena Campbell and Messrs. Leslie Webb, James Garrett, Charles Griffith and Alan Kelly.

## To Improve Road.

The people of Kelly's Ferry are well pleased over the action of the county court at July term in appropriating \$500 to even up some of the inequalities of the road to Kelly's Ferry after leaving the pike, and crossing the ridge or spur of Cedar mountain lying along the river. It is in a fearful condition and a positive menace to life and limb to travel it.

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