

A BOY KIDNAPPED.

ANOTHER CHARLIE ROSS CASE NARROWLY AVERTED.

A Five Year Boy Kidnapped and Concealed for Several Days—The Kidnappers Contemplate Killing the Boy to Prevent Detection—The Rescue and Capture of one of the Men—One of the Parties to the Crime an Uncle of the Boy.

Albany, N. Y., August 19.—Five year old John Conway, who has been at the mercy of kidnapers since Monday morning, was returned to his parents shortly after 9 o'clock today through the efforts of private detectives and reporters in the employ of The Argus.

The child was abducted by his uncle, Joseph Hardy, and N. G. Blake. Hardy is being placed under arrest but Blake escaped from his captors and is being pursued by a squad of police.

Early yesterday morning a clue was secured that a relative of Mr. Conway had some connection with the kidnapping and an investigation of the character and reputation of Hardy strengthened the belief that if the Conway child was to be restored it would be through information given by this relative. Slowly but surely a chain of evidence was made against him and early this morning it was believed that Blake was his companion in the crime. Blake was found and taken to the Argus office with Hardy at 4 o'clock this morning. He was indirectly accused of knowing where the child was, but was deeply affronted and apparently offended at such a suggestion. He was pressed closely and never given an opportunity to concoct or fix a scheme whereby he could throw his accusers off the track. It was seen that threats would not bring about the desired results and persuasion was brought to bear on him. He was offered a big ransom to tell anything he knew about the kidnapping and finally it was made so large that he confessed the kidnapping and said he would take a party to where the child was.

If the story, which it is alleged Hardy told the chief of police behind closed doors this morning, is true, the Conway child narrowly escaped the supposed fate of Charley Ross. When the quarry became hot Blake urged that as the boy would betray them they all better rid themselves of him. Hardy was a rifle timid and asked for another day. It was finally agreed that at a late hour last night, they would take the boy from an old school house where they had locked him up and would either drown him or drop him from a railroad train. The finger of suspicion pointed at the men and the careful quest for the child was made by the police and the reporters gave them no opportunity. Hardy evidently kept Blake informed of the game, for when the Associated Press reporter yesterday afternoon interviewed Mr. Conway as to his ideas of relatives being mixed up in the case, Hardy left the house and was followed by Mr. Phelan and Mr. Farrell. They were gone about an hour and when they returned, said they had seen the child guarded by a masked man. Mr. Phelan thought it would be a serious affair. Blake demanded the reward of \$2,500 before he would get the child out and then there was a long parley. The Argus office and get it. While this parley was at its height Greagan sprang from the wagon and followed by Reilly, pistols in hand, rushed into the place. Greagan called upon Reilly to cover him and then grasped the child and ran for the wagon. Farrell fired several shots. The men, finding that they were beaten, rapidly down the road to the city.

The Schenectady and Troy police were notified to watch for Blake. District Attorney Burlingame and Mayor Thacher had Hardy under examination for almost two hours today and at the end of the time the district attorney said: "Hardy has practically told everything but I cannot give it out now. There were at least two other people in the affair and I believe we will get them all. The penalty for the offence is twenty years' imprisonment."

The child was seen at his home today noon, after he had been quieted down he showed little signs of his outing except insect bites on the face. His pockets were filled with candy and he said that he had slept in a nice soft bed. As nearly as can be learned from the child's prattle he was picked up by Blake on Pearl street and driven to an old school house. He was kept there until yesterday then they went further in the woods as the boy says "for a drive." He says that only one man was with him at the time of the driving, but he saw some others about in the woods. It was intended to arraign Hardy in the police court this afternoon but at that hour there was such a menacing crowd in the building and about it that the police postponed the hearing.

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SPAIN'S ATTITUDE

Toward the United States—Demand for Damages for Filibustering Expeditions. Calderon Carlisle Tells of His Conferences With Canovas.

London, August 19.—Calderon Carlisle, of Washington, counselor to the Spanish legation in the United States, arrived here today from Spain.

In the course of an interview with the correspondent of the Associated Press, Mr. Carlisle said he went to Spain to pay a visit to relatives, but while there he had an audience with the queen-regent and he discussed with the late Senor Canovas del Castillo, the premier, and other high officials of the Spanish government, the various aspects of the Cuban question, explaining to Senor Canovas the details of some of the principal filibustering expeditions from the United States to Cuba and giving his views as to the legal aspects of the filibustering claims which he had investigated since the war broke out in Cuba. Spain, he said, intended to press strongly her claims to compensation for filibustering and these claims would overbalance the American claims for damages to the property of citizens of the United States in the island.

"My last interview with the late Senor Canovas," said Mr. Carlisle, "was during the week before he was assassinated and at the hotel which was the scene of the tragedy. He requested me to call. While I was waiting at the office of the hotel Senor Canovas entered the room and was immediately surrounded by half a dozen gentlemen, amid who he stood talking on a Cuban matter. I inquired as to who these gentlemen were and was told they were newspaper correspondents. The scene was entirely informal, quite American, in fact. One could easily see how a man so approachable as Senor Canovas could be assassinated without much difficulty. It was told that he always received newspaper correspondents freely and talked with them frankly.

"Senor Canovas appeared to be in excellent health and spirits, though, of course, he was no longer a young man. He told me he was satisfied that the progress of the war in Cuba this summer had been all that could be expected in the wet season and that he believed conditions would be much better in the autumn. He spoke feelingly of the suffering in Cuba, which he considered and described as unavoidably incidental to a state of war and he expressed the warmest hope that the necessity for suffering would soon cease.

"The condition of public sentiment in the United States was a matter as to which he made particular inquiry. I assured him that the country was not so partial to the insurgent movement as might be inferred from some of the newspapers and from the reports of congressional debates. Mr. Carlisle believes the effect of the assassination of Canovas will be to unite more closely the various sections of the conservative party in Spain. He said: "I can speak, not only for the court circles, but also for the people of three provinces where the Carlists are reputed to be strongest, and I can say that I saw no signs of preparations for a Carlisle rising nor anything to corroborate reports circulated in the United States to the effect that the Spanish people are so dissatisfied with the government as to be easily incited to overthrow it."

Savannah, Ga., April 26, 1896. Having used three bottles of P. P. P. for impure blood and general weakness and having derived great benefit from the same, having gained 11 pounds in weight in four weeks, I take great pleasure in recommending it to all unfortunates like

JOHN MORRIS, Office of J. N. McElroy, Druggist, Orlando, Fla., April 20, 1891. Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga. Dear Sirs:—I sold three bottles of P. P. P. large size yesterday, and one bottle small size today.

The P. P. P. cured my wife of rheumatism winter before last. I came back on her the past winter and a half bottle, \$1 size, relieved her again, and she has not had a symptom since.

I sold a bottle of P. P. P. to a friend of mine, one of the turkeys, a small one, took sick and his wife gave it a try and she was in the way in the eveing, and the little fello' turned over like he was dead, but next morning was up hollwing and well.

Yours truly, J. N. McELROY, Savannah, Ga., March 17, 1891. Messrs. Lippman Bros., Savannah, Ga. Dear Sirs:—I have suffered from rheumatism for a long time and I not find a cure until I found P. P. P., which completely cured me.

Yours truly, ELIZA F. JONES, 14 Orange St., Savannah, Ga.

Household Hints One of the most useful articles for cleaning cooking pots and pans is a wire chain dishcloth. It is now made fastened to a long, smooth, wooden handle, which allows one to dip it without putting the hands into the water.

A small clean whisk broom kept in the clothes basket is the most convenient to use for dampening clothes. Dip the broom into a bowl of clear water and very lightly shake the water over the clothing. In this manner the work is done more evenly and quickly than if the fingers are employed to sprinkle the water about.

Silver sweetmeats and bonbon dishes are being laid aside, and old fancy-shaped ice cream plates are being discarded, are the present caprice. This is because diversity is desired, for nothing can eclipse beautiful silver for elegance. The favorite china plates are still the decorated china or cut glass receptacles which fit into silver frames with tiny feet, so constructed that if any moisture comes upon the outside of the dish it does not come in contact with the table cloth.

Marble should be washed with a soft rag, soap and water and wiped dry. Stains on marble can be taken out with kerosene. Stains on polished tables made by heat can be removed by rubbing with kerosene or turpentine, but amateurs should not attempt this, as they are liable to remove the varnish also. Woodworkers use alcohol as a finisher on varnish, to take out any oil that may remain. If the surface is exposed to heat or sunlight the oil dries out, and to remedy this more oil must be rubbed in.

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PUBLIC OPINION.

The tendency of the silver democrats and populists to break asunder this year has become very noticeable. In Mr. Bryan's own state the fusion has been kept up, but in Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky the two organizations are now opposing each other. It should be observed, however, that the populist voters who now decline to go with the democrats are the extremists of the Watson and Coxe type, and their voting strength is not supposed to be so large as that of the populist faction represented by Senators Allen, of Nebraska, Harris of Kansas, and Butler of North Carolina, which will continue probably to cast their votes, where needed for the silver democratic candidates. Yet, with the gold democrats hauling one way and the "middle-of-the-road" populists in another the silver democrats have considerable to overcome in the fall elections in such states as Ohio and Kentucky. Yet the election in the old Holman district in Indiana the other day resulted in an increase of the democratic majority, although 600 populist votes, cast for Holman in '96, were then detached and cast for a straightout populist.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

One of the most amusing episodes of modern politics is the recent pretentious effort of Senator Don Caffery, of Louisiana, to read Senator McEnery out of the democratic party on account of his tariff views. It is unnecessary to enter into the merits of the point made against McEnery until it shall be made by some one who is really a democrat. What is amusing is the fact that Caffery himself is conspicuous only because he is one of the most subservient cuckoos of the whole brood that fluttered around Cleveland's feet. He was one of the earliest deserters from the party, and went around the country shouting the praises of free trade and the gold standard. He not only deserted the democratic party at the command of Cleveland, but actually assisted to place the McKinley party in power, thus making it possible for the Dingley monstrosity to become a law. While we do not believe it is possible for Senator McEnery a democrat to justify his support of that measure, yet it is only fair to him to say that what he did in a direct and manly way, Caffery did indirectly. He sneaked off with the gold crowd, and under the pretence of supporting Palmer and Buckner, gave active aid and support to the Hanna crowd.—Atlanta Constitution.

That the president and his constitutional advisers have not been unmindful or neglectful of the public interest in this regard will, we think, be generally conceded. But can so much be said of all their subordinates? Is there not some—Is there not too much—truth in the statement of Wharton Barker, in The Philadelphia American, that Mint Director Preston has helped along the slump in silver? Mr. Barker says the decline is due to two causes. The first is "the postponement of the British government of all hopes, now slim enough, for the restoration of bimetalism by international agreement." The second is "the effort of Mr. Preston, out director of the mint, to still further discredit silver by asserting that sooner or later the United States will have to dispose of the silver it purchased under the Bland and Sherman acts and pocket the loss, and that, in his opinion, silver will fall to 40 cents." The remark credited to Mr. Preston, and many similar remarks from that official, have undoubtedly had a tendency to bear on the silver market and, therefore, to cheapen our currency and inflict loss on the nation. No public duty has called for such expressions from any public servant, nor can any possible interpretation of any statute, rule, or regulation make it the duty of a public servant to damage the property or credit of his employer.—Washington Post.

Fire in a Steamer's Hold Charleston, S. C., August 21.—The Norwegian steamship Tyr, Captain Gram, arrived in port between 2 and 3 o'clock this afternoon, on fire. The Tyr left Huelva with a cargo of 3,000 tons of pyrites on August 3rd for this port. The fire was discovered in compartments Nos. 2 and 3 last Monday, one day and a half out of Bermuda. She was towed to the city where the work of filling her holds with water began.

Justice—"Now, gentlemen," said the counsel for the defence to a Kentucky jury, "if you will take—" "Certainly!" shouted the jurymen.—"A veridical view of this case—" Verdict for the commonwealth.—Philadelphia North American.

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Bravest of the Johnny Rebs

Jake Bennett was about 19 years old, and was probably the most awkward man I ever saw. He was long and angular and had a bony head, with strong jaws. His great white teeth were always shown when he smiled, and he always smiled when he was in a fight. In camp Bennett was a sly and unprepossessing fellow, and his feet, which were unusually large, were always in somebody's way. He was shy and never intruded himself, but when it came to riding and shooting he was in his glory.

I have seen him many times on the back of a fast horse, with the bridle rein in his teeth and a pistol in each hand, charging like mad and shooting with remarkable accuracy. He had the reputation of killing three or four men every time there was a chance. He was then in charge of a detail on foraging expeditions and got in many skirmishes along the road. Later he was unanimously chosen captain on account of his bravery.

Indeed he was like unchained lightning in a hand-to-hand fight, and distinguished himself. There were about 1,500 soldiers lying between Alexandria and Liberty. We had no chance on the field, and had to content ourselves with harassing the enemy and in cutting off their wagon trains and making it difficult for them to forage. The two armies lay confronting each other for the engagement at Murfreesboro, and I was sent with a detail of scouts to waylay any that I could.

Being only 180 men all told, we determined to take advantage of the hilly road and the rocky hillside, which were thickly covered with cedars. Across the road was a number of felled trees, and while we were all mounted and ready to charge, a federal wagon train came slowly along the road guarded by three files of infantry. There were 80 wagons in the train, and we attacked them suddenly and boldly, realizing the necessity for quick work. The great soldier plunged at me for a few minutes, but when the infantry came rushing up we saw that the conflict would now be between pistols and guns.

At this point Bennett's sergeant was unhorsed and had fallen to the ground. Just as he jumped up, however, a federal soldier plunged at him with a bayonet. At the same instant another soldier raised his gun to kill Bennett. In this terrible situation the alertness and courageous generosity of Jake Bennett prompted him to shoot first the man who was attacking his sergeant and then the man who was threatening his own life.

It is interesting to consider, where a man could so suddenly conceive the idea to defend his fellow-soldier before himself, illustrates the innate nobility and generosity of the man. The great soul of the awkward Jake Bennett responding to the impulse, and his self-sacrificing act was the highest example of heroic conduct witnessed during the war.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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DAYS OF SIXTY-EIGHT.

THE GRAB GAME BEING PLAYED BY STATE OFFICERS.

Outrageous Squandering of State Funds in So-Called Salaries—Otho Wilson, State Senator, Butler to Mind His Own Business—Progress at the State Lumber Plant—R. F. Boykin Made a Railway Director—Republicans Boasting of Ability to Stand Alone.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel, Raleigh, N. C., August 20.

The board of directors of the penitentiary had this week the liveliest session on record and a bad state of affairs was made plain. E. T. Clark of Halifax, protested against Governor Russell's brother being paid \$40 and then \$50 a month while learning how to be deputy warden, while the regular deputy was getting only 75, the salary of Russell having been paid without consultations with the board. There was also filed a protest against paying the son of the superintendent \$50 a month as clerk, when there was a regular clerk at \$75, and when Smith was away much of the time. Clark further protested against paying John R. Underwood \$75 to visit the farms, when he himself admitted that he did not earn a dollar. Underwood is on the board of the superintendent, and was also found that T. W. Babb, an ex-preacher, had been sent to two of the farms as chaplain, the appointment being made by Superintendent Smith. Governor Russell told the board Babb's appointment was disgraceful. Then Superintendent Smith said he would tell "part of the board" his reasons for the appointment. Governor Russell said: "You ought to give your reason to all. All are entitled to hear it." Babb was an ardent worker for Senator Pritchard among the populists last January. There was a protest some time ago against Babb's getting this place. Smith was directed by the board to remove Babb, and said he would do so if no record was made of the matter. No record was made. The finance committee is now abolished. A member says that there is now no one to protest against the superintendent's extravagance. At a cost of several hundred dollars a building has been fitted up, to state paying the bills, for these families of officials. An order is at last made that the board must be paid for these.

Senator Butler and Otho Wilson, his right hand man, are at odds. Butler is displeased with Wilson and the railway commission for not reducing rates. He is also displeased with Wilson's having a railway eating house and has said so. Now Wilson tells Butler to mind his own business. There are plenty of signs of a populist break-up. Signs of disintegration are plentiful.

A negro named Watson sawed his way out of the Ashe county jail and ran off with the other prisoners. He attacked a deputy sheriff who pursued him and was shot and killed by the deputy.

The following is the new force in the department of fertilizer control: State Chemist W. A. Withers; assistants, C. B. Williams, H. K. Miller, C. D. Harless, A. W. Blair, J. Huffman and J. A. Bizzell; E. H. Klug is chief clerk.

The North Carolina posts of the Grand Army of the Republic desire that this state be made a separate department. The main reason for this appears to be dislike of Stebbins, the commander of the department of Virginia and North Carolina. He is out of the circular being sent North Carolina to push this matter.

H. U. Butters, the great lumber man of Columbus county, was here yesterday. He owns 100,000 acres of swamp land, mainly in cypress; has thirty miles of canal, eight feet deep and thirty wide, navigable by tugs; has built the summer twelve mile railway from Hays to Asheville and is now extending it two miles beyond Fair Bluff. He ships cypress timber, planned, to Pennsylvania.

Governor Russell appoints B. F. Boykin, of New Hanover county (late of Sampson), a director of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway on the part of the state.

At the Agricultural and Mechanical college today there was a farmers' picnic. Governor Russell spoke half an hour. Other speakers were Secretary of State Thompson, S. Otho Wilson and Treasurer Worth. It was a basket picnic.

At the meeting of the Raleigh Academy of Medicine last night, members declared that he could abort typhoid fever in ten days. Other members combated the statement. The physician who says he can abort the disease in ten days declares that it can be done by the Woodbridge tablets alone.

The republican organ declares that a negro is to be the postmaster at Raleigh and that all the white clerks will resign.

Senator Butler endorses A. H. Eller's attack on colleges which get aid from trusts. The republican organ makes thrusts at both Eller and Butler for this.

Republicans who are in office are now saying "We are about strong enough to go it alone. We have three congressmen the populists can't touch. They have five but all of them depend on our votes for re-election."

It turns out that George Brodie, the negro under death sentence for rape in Vance, attempted to outrage a young lady in Warren a year or more ago, and was sent to the roads, but escaped.

Business Conditions.

New York and Philadelphia are now receiving large numbers of visitors brought in by commercial excursions. These excursions are made up of merchants who come here wholly, or at least in part, for the purpose of buying goods. They universally report a decided improvement in business in their sections of the country, and they are buying freely for the fall trade. Their presence and their purchases are in a measure the result of an improvement and also the means of extending and increasing that improvement. Nearly every sign of good times is present. Prices are generally low, but most of them are tending upward, and the high prices of manufactured goods that prevailed a few years ago are never likely to return, though with a foreign shortage the prices of breadstuffs map possibly rise to old fashioned figures. The upward tendency of most prices, the increasing volume of bank clearings, the increasing receipts of the railway companies, the strong stock market and the growing speculation, all tell of a decided improvement, no longer prospective, but actually present.—New York Journal of Commerce.

Inherited Blood Taint.

Here is a case of inherited blood taint which resulted in what threatened to be a complete wreck of an innocent young life. The most serious feature of being afflicted with a blood disease is the fact that innocent posterity must suffer. The man or woman with the slightest taint in the blood forces the undesirable legacy of impurity upon their children whose veins flow with the impure inheritance which handicaps them in the race of life.

No child who has a trace of bad blood can be healthy or strong, and those predisposed to Scrofula are liable to a great deal of sickness, because their constitutions are weak and cannot withstand the many dangers which beset the path of childhood. Medical statistics show that a majority of lung troubles result directly from Scrofula, so that a child afflicted with this disease is likely to fall a victim to dreaded consumption.

Mr. W. A. Clayton, of Addie, N. C., believes S.S.S. is the only blood remedy which can have any effect whatever upon obstinate cases. He says: "My three-year-old boy had the worst case of Scrofula I ever heard of. He



was given many blood remedies without relief, and treated by the best doctors. He seemed to get worse all the while, however, and the disease finally resulted in curvature of the spine, making him utterly helpless.

"The bad sores on his neck increased in size, and were a source of constant pain. He was in this pitiful condition for two years, when some one recommended S.S.S., stating that it had cured some of the worst cases of blood diseases. As soon as his system was under the effect of the medicine, the sores began to get better, and in eight days were completely healed. Before long he could walk on crutches, and was improving every day. In three months he threw aside his crutches, for he had no further use for them; the dreadful disease had been eliminated entirely from his system, and he was restored to perfect health. The cure was a permanent one, as no sign of the disease has returned for ten years."

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