

### OF A HIGHLAND REGIMENT IN A BATTLE IN INDIA

The Attack of the British on the Almost Impregnable Position of the Tribesmen. The Gordon Highlanders Dash Across a Bullet-Swept Field and Seize the Heights—Their Piper, Shot Through Both Legs, Continues to Pipe the "Cock of the North" to Urge the Men Forward.

London, November 15.—The newspapers of this city have received graphic details by mail of the recapture of Dargal ridge by the Gordon Highlanders on October 20th, during which that regiment exhibited remarkable dash and courage. In order that the narrative may be complete, it is necessary to make a brief review of details already cabled. After the fighting on Monday, October 18th, between the column of British corps, commanded by Sir Yeatman Biggs and the tribesmen from Charru, on the Samana range, the British retired upon Shinware, and the enemy, greatly reinforced, reoccupied Dargal ridge, which commands Chagrau.

On Wednesday, October 20th, General Biggs sent the Second division to dislodge the tribesmen from the Dargal ridge. The position was a very strong one, and the enemy occupying the summit of a precipitous hill. The top of this hill could be reached only by a single path along which the attacking force, at first consisting of a Gurkha regiment, the Derbyshire regiment and the Dorsetshire regiment, was obliged to climb in Indian file while three batteries of artillery shelled the entrenchments of the hillmen.

Dargal ridge, from the direction of the assault, it is now more fully explained, presents a frontage of about a mile, the left end of which is sheer rock for 200 yards. In spite of the difficulty of the ascent, the movements of the British troops were fairly well covered, except in the case of a low lip or small valley, from 100 to 150 yards wide, about half way up the ridge. This dip was exposed to direct fire from the summit of the cliffs. As the Gurkhas, supported by the Derbyshires and Dorsetshires, reached this fire zone the top of the hills burst into flame, for 1,000 tribesmen had reserved the fire of their rifles until that moment. Though decimated, the little mountaineers reached the shelter of a few rocks (Gurkhas) struggled across the dip and where they lay down under cover for a moment or so in order to recover their breath. Then, led by their officers, they made a rush for the cover of the cliffside. The Dorsetshires tried to advance to the support of the Gurkhas and thirteen men struggled into the open space, only to drop before the far-side haven was reached. At this juncture General Kempster ordered the Gordon Highlanders to the front. Rapidly forming his men and after his now historic speech: "Men of the Gordon Highlanders, our general says that position must be taken at all costs. The Gordon Highlanders will take it." Colonel Mathias, the commander of the Highlanders, dashed out at the head of his gallant regiment, and in a moment they were across, carrying every one with them in their rush, storming the ridge that was resistless and beating down all opposition.

Piper Findlater, blowing his loudest and best, was among the first to show the way across that deadly strip of ground, and when, after traversing but a few yards, he was laid low by a shot through both legs, he managed to prop himself up against a boulder and continued with unabated energy to play "Cock of the North" animating his comrades by the familiar, stirring music of the beloved pipes.

The barriers were finally swept away, and the enemy left their loop holes and rock barricades and fled precipitately down the reverse slopes, without waiting for the line of cold steel which was then nearly on the crest of the ridge.

Piper Findlater has been recommended for the Victoria cross. Captain Robinson, of the Gurkhas, also acted with the greatest gallantry. After leading his men across the fire zone to the cover and finding the force there insufficient, he returned over the death trap alone, and was mortally wounded while leading the second rush of the Gurkhas to support the first body of that regiment.

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**Murderer Lynched**  
Bismarck, S. D., November 15.—An interesting legal question is presented by yesterday's lynching of three of the Spicer murderers. Two of the men, Holytrack and Ireland, were the state's witnesses and without their testimony the state has no case against the two surviving suspects, Blackhawk and Defender. There is therefore now no possibility of convicting them before any tribunal for the reason that the state's witnesses, self-confessed accomplices of the murder, are dead. At the coming term of court when the two men are arraigned for trial they will be dismissed. The opinion of a large number of people in Emmon counties that Blackhawk was the instigator of the crime. If he is discharged it is predicted that unless he has an escort out of the county he will share the fate of his comrades in crime. Defender, the other survivor, has consumption and it is predicted cannot live a year. It is claimed that the majority of the lynchers were from Winona, where the crime was committed, but nothing certain is known. Two of the men hanged were wards of the government, and the lynching may bring about some action by the government to discover by whom they were lynched.

When a man is suffering with an aching head, a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach disdaining food, he will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late. "Parker's Sarsaparilla," the "King of Blood Purifiers" makes the appetite keen and hearty—invigorates the liver—purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food. It is a wonderful blood maker and flesh builder. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Ferriss.

### THE SHERIFF SERVES PAPERS ON STATE SUPERINTENDENT

The sheriff serves papers on State Superintendent Mebane in the injunction case of L. M. Stewart, of Greensboro, to refrain the State Normal and Industrial College from building a barn. Stewart claiming it obstructs the way to his property. Mebane is cited to show cause at Oxford November 27th, before Judge Adams, why injunction should not be permanent. Judge Starbuck issued the temporary injunction.

A map and profile of the Mocksville and Mooresville railway was placed in the state library today by the Midland railway. The Code requires all such maps to be filed there.

Six convicts arrived at the penitentiary today from Catawba county.

### SOCIETY OF SONS OF THE REVOLUTION

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., November 15.—The fourth annual convention of the North Carolina Society of Sons of the Revolution was held here today. Dr. Peter E. Hines of Raleigh was elected president, vice Ex-Governor Carr, who has removed from Raleigh. Thomas S. Kenan was elected vice president, Marshall Delancey Haywood, secretary; D. H. Hill, registrar; Herbert W. Jackson, treasurer; Rev. Robert B. Drane, chaplain. A. B. Andrews, Jr., was elected a member of the board of managers to succeed T. S. Kenan, James D. Glenn, A. B. Andrews, Jr., B. C. Beckwith, George B. Curtis and Graham Daves were elected delegates to the national convention, with Heriot Clarkson, W. J. Andrews, Stephen A. White, William Kearney Carr and M. DeL. Haywood as alternates.

An invitation was received from the Mecklenburg Monument Association through Clarkston to attend the unveiling of the Mecklenburg monument May 20th next. It was accepted with a vote of thanks.

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### THE LAW AS TO ELECTION OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF HEALTH

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., November 15.—The General Assembly gives the following opinion to Dr. Richard H. Lewis, secretary of the state board of health: "In reply to your question, it is my opinion; first, that a failure of commissioners to elect a county superintendent of health on the first Monday in May, as is required by the law of 1897, amending the laws of 1893, may be remedied by holding an election at some other meeting, and the commissioners are not functi officio, but still have power to elect, treating the time fixed in the act as merely directory; second, I do not think the county superintendent of health, should, under any circumstances, delegate the performance of his duties to an unregistered physician practicing in open violation of the law."

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### FOUR MEN ENTRAPPED

(Special to The Messenger.)

In the Collapse of a Building—Purvis, the Murderer to be Executed Tomorrow (Special to The Messenger.) Fayetteville, N. C., November 15.—The dryhouse of Rankin Bros' factory collapsed today while pipes were being put in. Four persons were buried in the ruins—William Manning, D. Teachey, C. Underwood, white, W. Hatwood, colored. All were extricated with difficulty. Teachey and Hatwood are supposed to be badly injured. The building was not quite finished.

Purvis will be executed privately at 11 o'clock tomorrow. The governor declines to stay the sentence.

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### Will Russell let Evans Hang?

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., November 15.—A state official expresses belief that the governor will commute the sentence of John Evans convicted of criminal assault on Miss Cole at Rockingham. Evans walks back and forth in his cell like a caged beast and protests his innocence. A. C. Mitchell, of Bertie county, now at Hamlet is recommended to succeed the late Dr. G. W. Blackburn as general storekeeper and gauger.

R. A. White, of Elizabethtown, arrived today.

### A State Farm in Bladen

(Special to The Messenger.)

Elizabethtown, N. C., November 15.—Several state officials visited Bladen last week. It is understood that their visit was preparatory to the establishment of a state farm in this section.

Professor Holmes says there is not finer clay in the state than in Bladen.

J. C. Berry, one of the best known citizens of Spencer, Mo., testifies that he cured himself of the worst kind of piles by using a few boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He had been troubled with piles for over thirty years and had used many different kinds of so-called cures; but DeWitt's was the one that did the work and he will verify this statement if any one wishes to write him. R. R. Bellamy.

### STEPS BEING TAKEN TO CARRY OUT THE IDEA

A Number of Prominent Women Will Undertake to Raise \$250,000 for Erecting the First Building—Contributions From all American Citizens to be Asked for. February 22nd Next to be the First General Contribution Day.

Washington, November 15.—The oft-attested question of establishing in the city of Washington a great national university on the lines suggested by President Washington, at last has taken more definite form than in the past, and a number of representative American women have taken hold of the project, with a determination to push it to a successful conclusion if possible. They have started out in a practical manner by seeking to raise the first \$250,000 necessary for the erection of an administration building to form the nucleus of the university and hope to be able to lay the corner stone on February 22nd, 1899. Their purpose in the interim is to urge the matter continuously on the attention of women all over the country. They intend likewise to interest all the school children in the work.

As a first step for awakening interest in the undertaking they will assemble in convention in Washington on December 14th to decide on ways and means for arousing public sentiment. Among those who have initiated the movement to fulfill Washington's wish are Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, of this city; Mrs. Ellen A. Richardson, Boston; Mrs. Clara R. Anthony, Miss Rachael Howland, Miss Louise Tinckler and Mrs. Edmund Anthony, Jr., Massachusetts; Mrs. I. S. Boyd, Georgia; Mrs. W. A. Roebbing, New Jersey; Mrs. John K. Goodloe, Kentucky; Mrs. H. Adams, Connecticut; Mrs. C. S. Brice, Ohio; Mrs. Eugene Hale, Mrs. David S. Kerr Jordan, Dr. Charlotte Blake Brown, Mrs. F. S. Hubbard and Miss Caroline Jackson, California.

Mrs. Ellen A. Richardson, of Boston, chief organizer of the movement, writing to Mr. George H. Haines, of this city, of the plans thus far formed, says: "The patriotic ladies of America are to build the administration building and they propose to make the 22nd of February, 1899, the nation's first offering day for this purpose, asking no large contributions of \$10,000, \$5,000, or \$1,000, but must build this great monument. If the 13,000,000 children in the public schools in America would give an offering of a penny each, on Washington's birthday, they would raise a sum sufficient to erect the building and endow it. Let us then, join hands and have an American unity, American sciences and American ideas for America."

Mrs. Richardson further states that she has arranged with the proper authority that the bureau of engraving and printing shall produce certificates which will be given to those who contribute to the movement.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

STATEMENTS OF THE INDEBTEDNESS OF THE SUBSCRIBERS TO THE SEMI-WEEKLY MESSENGER WERE RECENTLY MAILED, AND WHILE A GREAT MANY HAVE RESPONDED, THERE ARE MANY YET IN ARREARS AND WE TRUST THIS REMINDER WILL CAUSE ALL WHO HAVE NEGLECTED THEIR ACCOUNT WITH US TO TAKE PROMPT ACTION. THE DATE ON THE LABEL OF EACH PAPER SHOWS THE TIME TO WHICH THE SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN PAID, AND THE ACCOUNT CAN BE EASILY DETERMINED WITHOUT WAITING FOR A STATEMENT FROM US. A THOROUGH REVISION OF THE LIST WILL BE MADE AT AN EARLY DATE AND ALL DELINQUENTS WILL BE PLACED ON OUR "BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE."

### Progress in Sealing Conferences

Washington, November 15.—The British-Canadian and American delegates to the Behring sea meeting had confidently expected to bring their labors to a close today, but after two arduous sessions, lasting until 5:30 o'clock this evening, the experts had not been able to reconcile all their differences. It was determined, therefore, to continue the meeting tomorrow. Up to the time of closing today the experts had made good progress, reaching an agreement on all but three or four reserved propositions. These, it is expected, can be agreed upon during the morning session tomorrow so that the expert report can be signed, and the meeting concluded so far as the experts are concerned. This will make available all the data necessary for considering the vital diplomatic question of stopping pelagic sealing. The intention is that General Foster, Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Louis Davis will meet tomorrow afternoon, to go over the results reported by the experts and, if possible, agree upon a basis of settlement. The outcome of this diplomatic meeting continues to be much in doubt. It was intimated today that the Canadians might make a counter proposition, not going as far as the American representatives desire in the way of limiting pelagic sealing, but yet offering a possible ground for amicable adjustment.

### Yellow Fever Reports

Montgomery, Ala., November 15.—Three cases of fever developed today, but no deaths. The board of health will hereafter meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Jackson, Miss., November 15.—One new case of yellow fever at Clinton and three new cases at Edwards and one death. The report received by the state board of health today. No new cases or deaths are reported at the other infected points in the state.

Mobile, Ala., November 15.—Three new cases and no deaths was the yellow fever report today.

New Orleans, November 15.—There were eleven new cases of yellow fever here today and two deaths. Quarantines are beginning to come down and there is now an open road to the Pacific with the exception of Lake Charles. The other towns in the vicinity of Lake Charles are accusing her of keeping up the embargo for her own advantage and are holding inaus meetings to protest. Baton Rouge today raised quarantine and the rest of Louisiana and Mississippi will be open in a few days. Many towns adopted modifications which point to a general action. The public schools and civil courts opened in New Orleans today and matters are resuming their normal condition.

Scranton, Miss., November 15.—The hot weather has caused a decided increase in yellow fever here. There were ten new cases today and one death, that of Frank Munday.

### Return of the Governor's Guard from Rockingham

Two of the Guardsmen to be Discharged by their Employer—John Nichols Calls Evangelist Lee an Irish Tramp—New Manover's Tax Payment The Double Homicide at Durham—Much Cotton Left in the Fields.

Messenger Bureau.  
Raleigh, N. C., November 15.  
This morning at 5 o'clock Ben Hyler, colored, an old man who has had a stall in the city market, left home, it was thought to go to his work. Nothing more was heard of him until nearly 9 o'clock, when his hat was found on a stick near a small lake in a disused stone quarry in the suburbs. His body was soon recovered. He had committed suicide. No cause is given, save that perhaps he was worried about money.

The Governor's Guard detachment returned Sunday morning from a four day's tour of duty guarding John Evans, colored, at Rockingham. It is reported that an employer of two of the guardsmen has said he will discharge them. Should he do so he will be liable to punishment, as it is a violation of the Code to discharge an employee for serving the state. The officials at headquarters will prosecute promptly, they announce.

Yesterday afternoon the Irish Evangelist Lee, at a meeting here in Metropolitan hall read a letter from Secretary John Nichols, of the state fair, in which the latter told him he would hold him personally responsible for any attacks on his character, and said "he allowed no Irish tramp to attack it." Lee said that what he had said about Nichols asking the board of aldermen to allow the barrooms to be kept open all night during the state fair was about him as a public official; that nothing was intended about his private character. Nichols said today that so far as he was concerned the incident was closed.

Among today's arrivals are Virgil S. Lusk of Asheville, B. F. Long of Statesville and H. L. Grant of Goldsboro.

New Hanover today paid \$18,700 taxes into the state treasury.

The Southeastern Tariff Association makes another big cut in fire insurance rates in Guilford county.

It is learned that Henry Green, the negro man who shot and killed 8-year-old Dan Lassiter, colored, at Durham, and who was himself shot and killed, really intended to kill a little son of his mistress, Eliza Mitchell. He went to the house where Lassiter lived, pulled the boy out of a door and shot him in the mouth with a pistol. As he fell he shot him in the back of the head. Green served a term on the roads in Wake county for pointing a pistol at a man. He died with curses on his lips.

Much cotton yet remains in the fields. Some farmers appear to be paying little or no attention to the crop.

It is strange, but true, that the frosts in the eastern part of the state have been far heavier than here, where they have not injured the tenderest flowers.

There has been a good deal of talk about the sentencing of George Johnson to be hanged at Wilmington on Thanksgiving day, and the news that the governor will probably commute his sentence is not surprising.

News reaches here of a fire in Guilford county which burned a saw mill, roller mill, cotton gin and much wheat and cotton, the total loss being \$7,500, with no insurance.

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### Lynchers in Mexico to Be Sentenced to Death

Mexico, City, Mexico, November 15.—Great crowds surrounded the grim old prison at Belen and the vicinity of the palace of justice this morning when thirteen prisoners, mostly ex-police officers, implicated in the lynching of Arnolfo Arroyo, were taken through the streets in wagons and coaches for trial. Shouts of "kill them" were heard from the indignant populace, but the prisoners were well guarded by mounted and foot police. The public prosecutor asked for the death penalty on Villavicencio, ex-inspector, who suggested the murder to his chief, Velasquez, the inspector general of police who committed suicide in prison. Villavicencio expected to escape with life imprisonment.

Manuel Heido, major of police, is one of the principal criminals, as he was privy to the crime and took no means of preventing it. Miguel Caberoa, assistant chief of the detective service, also knew of the projected killing and took no steps to prevent it. Mauricio Sanchez, policeman, was guarding Arroyo and was aware of the intended crime and tightened up Arroyo's straight jacket so he could offer no resistance. Ignacio Parlane led the band of assassins. Capital sentences are asked in all these cases.

The other criminals are of minor degree, but some of them are likely to be sentenced to death.

### Bicyclers' Wheels Attached

Chattanooga, Tenn., November 15.—The bicycle meet that was to have occurred in this city tonight, participated in by the riders of the League of American Wheelmen, under the leadership of Cooper, traveling in the south with Spooner and McLish, was declared off because of the action of the Georgia Central road today in attaching the wheels of the riders in Atlanta for an alleged debt claimed to be due them from a man who has been traveling with the racers, advertising a certain make of wheel. The attachment was levied just as the train for Chattanooga was pulling out. The riders then ordered their car to be detached as they could not come without their wheels. After a long delay, the local coliseum company offered to pay the amount of the alleged debt, which was only \$3.00, but the bicyclists would not allow it, the man not being a part of their company, they having nothing to do with him and the debt being in no sense theirs. The meet was therefore canceled. The local coliseum company lost a great deal of money in advertising, etc. They have a number of their attorneys to bring suit for \$10,000 against the Central railroad.

"I don't know, there may be others" he said, but I have used "Parker's Tolu Cough Syrup in my family and would not be without it." He knew better than to buy the inferior preparation that was being urged upon him. Parker's Tolu Cough Syrup has no equal. It will immediately relieve any cough or Cold, Whooping Cough, Sore throat, Hoarseness, Croup, Bronchitis and kindred ailments. Contains no injurious ingredients, is pleasant to take and a safe remedy for children. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Ferriss.

### THE OFFICIAL VOTE IN OHIO

Bushnell's Plurality 28,101—The Republicans Have Five Majority on Joint Ballot in the Legislature—Hanna Men Claim Two Majority for Him

Columbus, Ohio, November 15.—The official vote in Ohio for the respective candidates for governor at the late election is thus recorded: Bushnell, republican, 429,816; Chapman, democrat, 401,715; Holliday, prohibitionist, 7,533; Coxe, people's party, 6,254; Dexter, national democrat, 1,661; Watkins, socialist laborer, 4,242; Lewis, negro protective, 476; liberty, 3,197. Bushnell's plurality is 28,101.

The vote in Ohio for President McKinley and other candidates for president, given here for comparison, was: McKinley, republican, 525,981; Bryan, democrat, 474,882; Bryan, people's party, 2,935; Leveering, prohibitionist, 5,068; Bantley, national prohibitionist, 2,716; Hatchett, socialist labor, 1,165; Palmer, national democrat, 1,388. McKinley's plurality is 51,109.

The senate has 17 known republican members, 18 known democrats and one fusion republican elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati; total 35. The house has 53 known republican members, 47 known democrats and four fusion republicans elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati; total 104.

The Hanna men claim all of the other known republicans, which, if the claim is well founded, would give Mr. Hanna a majority of two on joint ballot.

### Suicide of a Prominent Maryland Lawyer

Snow Hill, Md., November 15.—William Sidney Wilson committed suicide at his home in Snow Hill yesterday afternoon by shooting himself with a revolver. For some time he had been in bad health, and is supposed to have taken his life while suffering under temporary aberration of mind.

Mr. Wilson was one of the best known men in the peninsula. He was the oldest son of the late United States Senator William Wilson, of Worcester.

He was 46 years old, and a graduate of St. John's college, Annapolis. Mr. Wilson studied law under his father, and was admitted to the bar in each state. He had practiced continuously since in the First circuit and before the court of appeals. In 1877 Mr. Wilson was elected to the house of delegates and in 1880 to the Maryland senate.

His native county, an office he held, by re-election until 1891, when he resigned. He was the senior partner in the law firm of Wilson & Collins, a director of the First National bank of Snow Hill, and together with Mr. O. D. Collins, owned the Boatmen's bank, of Chincoteague. He was prominent in the development of Ocean City, served as mayor for some years and owned much property there, as well as in other parts of Worcester.

Mr. Wilson left a widow who was a Miss Ewing, of St. Louis, a daughter, Miss Louise, who has just attained womanhood, and five sons, ranging in age from 18 to 5 years.

### Benefit Rules of Lodges Are Contracts

Trenton, N. J., November 15.—The court of errors and appeals met today and rendered a number of decisions. William H. Brendenburgh, the newly appointed judge of the court, was present and was sworn in by the chancellor.

One of the opinions rendered is of general importance to beneficial organizations. The court affirmed the supreme court in the case of the Roxbury Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows against William Hocking. When Hocking joined the Roxbury lodge the sick benefits were \$3 a week for an indefinite period. Subsequently they were changed to \$5 a week for twenty-six weeks and \$1 a week thereafter. Hocking was sick for a long time and sought to recover \$3 a week for the period. The court decided in his favor and laid down the principle that the benefits which the lodge rules provided or at the time of a member joining were in the nature of a contract and could not be changed without the member's consent.

### Fitzsimmons Resigns

Kansas City, Mo., November 15.—In a letter which he makes public today, Robert Fitzsimmons, who is playing at one of the local theatres, tenders his resignation to the membership in the Marion, Ind., Lodge, B. F. O. E., in which order he was initiated recently.

"Feeling that my admission to membership has placed your lodge in a position to be criticised, no matter how unjustly," says the letter. "I offer this resignation in the hope that your friendly relations with the order may be wholly restored."

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