

THE NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE AND ITS CAPITAL.

NORTH CAROLINA RAILWAY STRIKE.

The Supreme Court Hands Down a Very Important Decision.

PENALTIES AND DAMAGES.

Under the Decision the Railroad Companies Can no Longer Ignore the Rights of Shippers - The Exodus of Negroes - Congressman Linney Will Not Run for Governor - The Remark of Rev. Sheldon as to How Christ Would Run a Newspaper Criticized.

Raleigh, N. C., May 2.-A decision was handed down by the Supreme Court yesterday that will probably play an important part in the settlement of the strike now on the Southern Railway.

Under the railroad can certainly no longer say the public be hanged, and decline to open its offices for the reception or delivery of freight, nor can it decline to transmit or deliver telegrams when offered.

To do either of these things will subject the road to a penalty and damages. The decision above referred to is that of State vs. Carter, written by Judge Douglas.

In this it is held that under section 1067 of the Code a railroad company is liable to a penalty of \$25 a day for every day over five days that it delays in the shipment of any article of freight offered.

In the Carter decision, thirty head of cattle were offered for shipment and for a delay over five days in shipping them the plaintiff recovered \$750 for each day - each head of cattle being counted as an article.

This decision follows a number of precedents heretofore established. One well known case is that of McGowan vs. Railroad, from Goldsboro, decided in 1886. In that the sum of \$2,875 was collected from the railroad for delay in shipment of a few bags of rice.

It is also a fact worthy of note in this connection that the plaintiff in the McGowan case was represented by the present chief justice, Faircloth.

The penalty in these suits goes not necessarily to the owner of the article offered for shipment, but may be recovered by any person who may choose to sue for it.

In case of a telegram not promptly sent or delivered, the sender or receiver may sue for damages.

It can be readily seen what an important bearing this decision must have on the strike which has closed up the offices of the Southern to such an extent that the office of the Corporation Commission is being flooded with complaints and prayers for relief.

EXODUS OF NEGROES.

Negroes continue to move out of the State. From the eastern part of the State they are going further south. From this section they go to New York and New Jersey. Several hundred negroes, both men and women, have left the State the past winter and spring. From the West they are going to West Virginia to work in the mines and on the railroads.

LINNEY WON'T RUN.

Senator Pritchard has a letter from Congressman Linney positively declining to allow his name to be used as a candidate for Governor. Linney wants to be renominated for Congress. Spencer Blackburn claims he is sure of the nomination. Senator Pritchard when asked what the Republican convention would do, said it would heartily endorse President McKinley and his policy, declare in opposition to the constitutional amendment, denounce the election law, and declare for an increased appropriation for public schools.

MR. SHELDON CRITICIZED.

There is much criticism on the remark of Rev. Mr. Sheldon as to the fact of how Jesus would run this campaign. Some ministers here on Sunday alluded to the fact that ex-Solicitor Seawell had quoted Mr. Sheldon, and it is set down as little short than blasphemy.

BANK INQUIRY.

The Corporation Commission to-day asks for a statement of business from the banks for the quarter ending April 26th.

The Soldiers' Home is full to the limit now, the attendance there being greater than ever before.

It is said that if the strike of the railroad telegraph men continues much longer the Corporation Commission will be asked to interfere.

ELIZABETH CITY.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.) Elizabeth City, N. C., May 2.-The young men were prevented from giving their Easter german until Tuesday night, when the Academy of Music was filled with the grace and beauty of our town. Most excellent music was furnished by our local orchestra. The ladies could not have been more becomingly gowned or in a more charming mood. Those participating were Misses Martin, Wood, Engle, Palin, Hollowell, Crisp, Smith, White, Allen, Greenleaf, Bond and Dawson; Messrs. Wood, Martin, Dean, McMahan, White, Burgess, Chas. Wood, Pendleton, Merrill, Baxter, Melick, Sanders, Walker, Jenkins, Martin Fearing, H. Fearing and George Fearing. The chaperones were Mesdames Crisp, Burgess, Bell, Griffin, Hathaway and Trafton. The german was a pronounced success and gracefully led by Mr. Will White.

Mrs. J. E. Gallop has gone to spend the summer at her old home in Currituck.

Mr. W. T. Dean, formerly of Berkeley, has removed to our city and is residing on Factory avenue.

Mr. G. L. Roper and wife, also Dr. John Spelght, of Roper, N. C., were in town Tuesday on a visit.

Our oyster season is now over and our factories are closed. This throws quite a number of people out of employ-

ment. The oyster business has been a decided success here this season.

Mr. W. P. Creekmore has purchased through Mr. J. C. Bland a fine dwelling owned by the Smiss Company.

Mr. W. Grimes, special agent for the Pennsylvania Mutual Life Insurance Company, is in town on business.

Mrs. M. H. White, of Hertford, is visiting Mrs. T. S. White, on Main street.

At a meeting of the White Supremacy Club last night the following citizens were appointed a Reception Committee to meet Hon. Charles B. Aycock, Democratic candidate for Governor, and the other candidates upon the State ticket who will arrive here Saturday morning: Mr. E. F. Aydielt, J. H. Sawyer, F. N. Williams, P. M. McMullan, J. F. Snell, N. A. Jones, T. B. Wilson, W. M. Hinton, L. A. Winder, and R. W. Turner. The Democratic rally will take place Saturday. The band has been engaged for the day. The ladies of our town have arranged a very attractive program for the occasion. The speaking will take place on the court-house green at 12 m. The Committee on Entertainment has provided temporary seats for all who will be present.

Mrs. Joseph Salomonsky, of Norfolk, is in our city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Louis Selig, on Road street.

Mrs. Vette Morgan has started a floral garden in our city. This is a new industry for our town.

Dr. W. H. Morris has had under treatment a fine horse owned by Mr. A. Sawyer suffering with pneumonia. He says the horse which was suffering with pneumonia was completely cured.

EDENTON.

(Special to The Virginian-Pilot.) Edenton, N. C., May 2.-Mr. John J. Chappell, of Indiana, is the guest of relatives on New street.

Messrs. Jay Scott, of Elizabeth City, and E. O. South of Norfolk, were at the Woodard House yesterday.

Col. W. B. Rodman will deliver an address for the Edenton Military Company next Friday evening, May 4th, at 8 o'clock at the opening of the new Armory. All are invited to attend. A special invitation is extended to the ladies.

The Masons did some floor work at their meeting last night.

Mr. A. A. Martin, of Norfolk, passed through Edenton yesterday.

Mr. E. S. Norman and Mr. Howard Chappell have accepted positions with D. W. Roper & Co.

Dr. Hathaway, of Merry Hill, is on our streets this morning.

AN EXTRAVAGANT ADMINISTRATION.

Boston Herald.

The American people hardly realize what an inordinate expenditure of money has taken place under the McKinley administration. We cannot do a better service to the public interest than to set out the story in cold figures. In making a comparison of the national expenditures it is necessary to reckon by fiscal years, for, although President comes into power on March 4, and the fiscal year does not begin till July 1, the interval properly belongs to the financial record of the outgoing President. Thus the expenditures which are fairly chargeable to the policy of President McKinley start on July 1, 1897, at the opening of what is officially known as the fiscal year 1898, and run to April 1, 1900, that being the latest date covered by the monthly returns. This is a period of two years and nine months, or two and three-quarters fiscal years. In that period the national expenditures have been as follows:

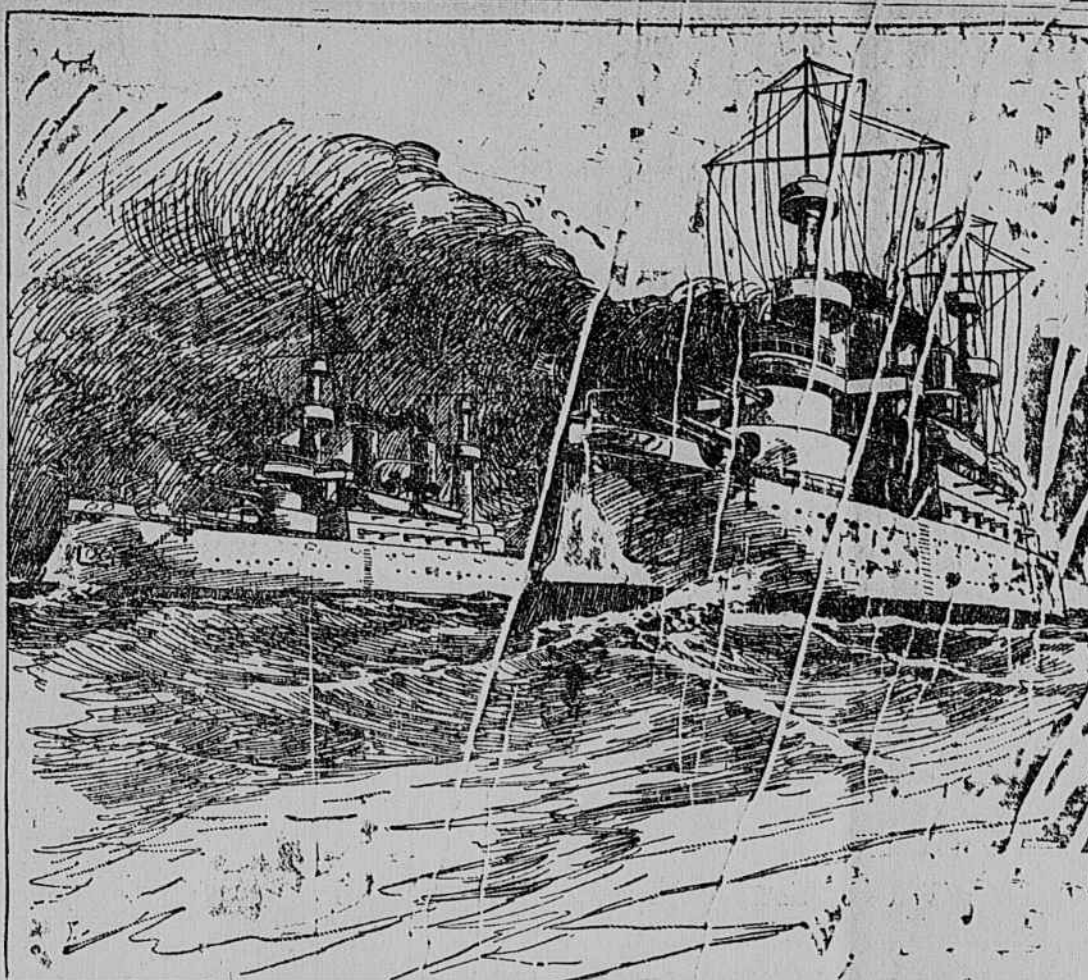
Table with 2 columns: Fiscal Year, Expenditures. 1898 \$ 438,819,214.64; 1899 605,072,179.85; 1900 (nine months) 372,861,882.95

Total \$1,416,753,277.44 Of these enormous expenditures, \$592,285,101.64 has been for the army and navy, \$20,000,000 for the Philippine indemnity, \$393,766,227.35 for pensions, and \$18,965,555.66 the largest, an aggregate outlay of \$1,115,957,264.65 for old and new wars in the short space of two years and nine months.

Of this money, \$1,276,445,547.93 was obtained by taxation, \$12,000,169.63 was received from payments on account of debts due by the Pacific railroads, and the balance, \$88,307,557.78, formed part of the proceeds of the \$200,000,000 war loan, the remainder of that loan, on which the government is paying interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, being substantially held on deposit by the national banks free of interest.

DR. PIERCE'S Favorite Prescription. "I am so grateful to you for your advice," says Mrs. Sidney B. Oakes, of Whitwell, Pennsylvania Co., Va. "When I commenced your medicine I had been treated by different doctors for three months or more, but would only receive partial relief for a short while and then would be worse than before. Was confined to my bed most of the time. At the time I commenced your treatment my left side was completely paralyzed. Had no desire to eat anything; bowels costive all the time. Nerves were all unstrung, so I could not bear the least noise. I also suffered from diseased ovaries and female weakness. But thanks to my Maker and you, after following your advice, I am able to do all my washing, sewing and house work in general. I haven't had a spasm in two months. Left off medicines about one month ago. Didn't think it necessary to continue them longer. I have taken about seven bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, seven of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and two vials of 'Pleasant Pellets.' I heartily recommend those medicines to all suffering as I was."

DR. PIERCE'S Favorite Prescription. makes weak women STRONG, sick women WELL.



THE BATTLESHIPS KENTUCKY AND KEARSARGE, WHICH MAY MENACE TURKEY.

It is said that if the sultan of Turkey continues postponing the payment of damages for American missionary property destroyed in Turkey a formidable fleet of American warships, including the Kentucky and Kearsarge, the mammoth new battleships, will make a demonstration in the Mediterranean.

SUFFERING AND RELIEF

Three Letters from Mrs. Johnson, Showing that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Cures the Ills of Women

Wrote for Mrs. Pinkham's Advice November, 1897

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-I am a great sufferer, have much trouble through the lower part of my bowels, and I am writing to you for advice. Menstrues are irregular and scanty, am troubled with leucorrhoea, and I ache so through my back and down through my loins. I have spells of bloating very badly, sometimes will be very large and other times very much reduced." - Mrs. CHAS. E. JOHNSON, Box 33, Rumford Center, Maine, Nov. 20, 1897.

Improvement Reported December, 1897

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-I wish to tell you that I am improving in health. I am ever so much better than when I wrote before. The trouble through the lower part of bowels is better and I am not bloated so badly. I was very much swollen through the abdomen before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I still have a feeling of fullness across my chest. I have used three bottles of it and am on the fourth." - Mrs. CHAS. E. JOHNSON, Box 33, Rumford Center, Maine, Dec. 13, 1897.

Enjoying Good Health June, 1899

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-Since a year ago I have been taking your medicine, and am now strong and enjoying good health. I have not been so well for three years, and feel very thankful to you for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I would advise all who suffer with female troubles to try your medicine." - Mrs. CHAS. E. JOHNSON, Box 33, Rumford Center, Maine, June 1, 1899.

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