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1	9,665	16 Sunday	13,934
2 Sunday	13,935	17	10,178
3	9,768	18	10,197
4	9,863	19	10,290
5	9,884	20	10,300
6	9,954	21	10,144
7	9,958	22 Sunday	12,763
8 Sunday	13,530	23	10,165
9	10,014	24	10,148
10	10,251	25	10,313
11	10,069	26	10,186
12	10,136	27	10,242
13	10,215	28 Sunday	12,818

Where was John Jacob Lentz when
the cyclone struck Ohio?

The sunny South and the blistering
North have been running a close race
recently.

The silence of Roosevelt is becoming
oppressive. He and Tom Reed are
running a close race at saying nothing.

If the drought in Kansas is not soon
ended it will give Populists a chance
to get in their work as calamity howl-
ers.

The Kansas City Journal surmises
that the reason why the early bird
catches the worm is that it gets up in
few time. Dew tell!

A recent poet speaks of "a bevy of
bees," but he had to do it to make a
rhyme. For the same reason he would
probably write of a covey of bald
nests.

Before another summer arrives horse
hatters will be added to the list of
necessary makers of head coverings.
And it will be a great help to the suf-
fering equines.

In some portions of Austria efforts
are being made to have laws passed to
stop the sale of American made boots
and shoes, the authorities holding that
the people shall go barefoot or patron-
ize home industry.

The Mobile Register has reached the
conclusion that one score of delegates
could frame a better Constitution than
eight score can. There is little doubt
that they would do their work in much
less time.

The Atlanta Constitution presents pic-
tures of Messrs. A. P. Thom, William A.
Anderson and George K. Anderson, mem-
bers of our Constitution Convention,
along with the pictures of three of the
members of the Alabama Convention. It
is no injustice to the Alabamians to say
that the Virginians are distinctly bet-
ter looking trio—Richmond Dispatch.

How are we to know that injustice
was not done the Alabamians unless
we know their names? Our Convention
has some men who can "lay over" any-
thing in yours.

Some comment has been caused out
in Colorado because a court there has
decided that a woman has as much
right to buy a drink in a saloon as a
man has. That is a common sense de-
cision, beyond a doubt. We will all
agree that a woman ought not to go
into a saloon, but that she has a legal
right to do so is plain.

A scientist who has doubtless counted
them declares that a thimbleful of
butter may contain as many as fifty
million microbes. This is one case
where we would rather take the man's
word than verify his figures by count-
ing, but if he is correct we can under-
stand the strength and aroma of some

WHEN WILL THE TIME COME?

The people of Alabama will be pro-
foundly grieved and shocked to read
the votes of the Convention yesterday
defeating the efforts made by a mi-
nority to kill the deplorable free-pass
corruption.

Much was said by members, in ex-
plaining their positions, that the amend-
ments offered on that subject were not
"germane," whatever was meant by
that, or were offered in the wrong
place. Some who voted against all the
amendments protested that at the
proper time and place in the Constitu-
tion they would vote right. An
amazed people are wondering when
that proper time and place will be
reached.

The people of this great State are
disgusted beyond measure at the bare
suggestion, which seems to be borne
out by the votes, that the Convention
believes it is not right or wise to pro-
hibit public officers from bartering
their powers and influence in return for
corporate service.

If the Convention gives its approval
to this scandal by refusing to prohibit
the pass evil, it may well tremble for
the fate of the Constitution. It will
be very hard to inspire people with
confidence in the work of men who up-
hold such an evil so universally de-
nounced by all, except those who
profit by the base traffic in passes.

The Advertiser hopes there is some
explanation of the Convention's votes,
which it cannot now perceive, which
will set that body right before the peo-
ple.

THEY WILL LEARN BETTER.

Referring to a recent article in The
Scottsboro Progressive Age condemn-
atory of Senator McLaurin and Col.
Herbert, The Chattanooga Times has
this to say:

Now if The Progressive Age will just
note what Senator McLaurin and
Colonel Herbert are saying today and
a foot note of what it has had to say
by way of abusing them, and then
will carefully study these notes away
until 1904 it will find that the kind and
quality of animosity it has been guilty of.
By the time all good and respectable De-
mocrats will be shouting for the very things
McLaurin and Herbert are now advocat-
ing.

Really we have paid but little atten-
tion of late to the position or theories
of Senator McLaurin, but as to Col.
Herbert we have no doubt as to his
Fidelity. The few who are now denounc-
ing him for what they call his treason,
will yet find that they are on the
wrong track and will come to his way
of thinking. There was nothing in his
attacks which have been made on his
honesty and his Democracy, and those
who now flatter themselves that criti-
cism and denunciation of him is a sure
road to future popularity and success
will have their eyes opened before an-
other Presidential campaign opens. To
abuse and vilify those who refuse to
endorse the acts of the Democracy
during the past few years may look
like good policy now, but there will
come a time when those who are now
censured will be looked up to as the
only safe leaders of the party.

NEGROES IN THE NORTH.

From a recent issue of the Savannah
News we get this:

A dispatch in a Philadelphia paper says
that in one part of Clearfield County,
Pennsylvania, there is practically a reign
of terror. A number of negroes were
recently carried there to work on a railroad.
They have committed robberies, murder
and assaults. "Women and girls," the
dispatch says, "go armed for self-protection
and the whites declare that if any
attempt is made by the blacks to molest
a white woman there will be a lynching.
The citizens are prepared to wreak sum-
mary vengeance upon the blacks, whom
they distrust. Women do not venture
from home unattended after nightfall,
and in public places the weaker sex
has become a regular pastime."

That is a deplorable condition of af-
fairs every one will admit, but when
we say that it is not surprising we
state what must be apparent to all
who will study the relations of cause
and effect. We have frequently noted
expressions in some of our contempo-
raries indicating surprise that negroes
who go North should almost invariably
conduct themselves worse than they
did while in the South, and the fact
seems to be inexplicable.

To our way of thinking the lawless-
ness so frequently shown by negroes
who go from this section to the more
Northern cities and States is a per-
fectly natural effect following two
causes. In the first place the better
class of colored people who have some
kind of settled avocations here, and
something to keep them here are not
the ones who wander off or are induced
to wander in search of positions else-
where. It is usually the idle and the
vicious, who are deluded by the prom-
ises of labor agencies, or who have im-
bued the idea that ease and plenty
await them in the North, who leave
their homes here and go to the North-
ern and Western States in search of
the promised land.

Again, the negroes who read or hear
have continually dimmed into them
that their true friends are all in the
North and their enemies in the South.
They are led to believe, from reading
much that is said and printed in that
section of the Union, that all that is
necessary to secure good positions,
good pay and little labor, and to live
on terms of equality with the white
folks, is to find homes beyond Mason
and Dixon's line. That country looms
up before them as a land of promise
and ease and plenty, as well as a land
without social distinctions.

Both these causes can only have dis-
astrous results. In either case the ne-
gro goes among those people with a
wrong conception of their feelings and
attitude toward his race. Instead of
being welcomed with open arms he is
received with indifference. Instead of
being treated with brotherly friend-
liness toward his race. Instead of
finding all doors open to him he is
thrust aside with ill-disguised repul-
sion, and instead of leading a life of
luxurious and plentiful indolence he
finds himself looked on as an intruder
who seeks to take bread out of the
mouths of the home people. And, as
the last straw, he learns that social
equality is as far from him in the
North as it was here.

It is to be wondered at that this
rude awakening from his dreams, this

shattering of his hopes, should arouse
all the savage in him, and cause him
to be a more undesirable citizen among
his new associates than he was at
home? To the pangs of disappointed
hopes and the natural chagrin of a
half-formed intelligence over an un-
welcome discovery is added a desire for
revenge on those whom he looks on as
false friends, and all the brutal pas-
sions of his nature are aroused over
what he looks on as a deceit practiced
on him. It is all but the natural out-
come of the misunderstanding which
carried the negro North.

For all the crimes and excesses com-
mitted by the negroes who go North
the people there are largely and pri-
marily responsible.

An Oath More Sacred Than a Party
Pledge.

Greenville Advocate.
The principal object in calling a
Constitutional Convention was for the
purpose of eliminating the ignorant
franchise; no sane man, be he ever so
pious, can deny that was the most
prominent feature of the call. The
Convention had been in session many
days prior to the meeting of the State
Press Association in Montgomery, and
the suffrage question had not only
not been proposed by the Committee,
but it then seemed that it would not
be seen. Evidently the Committee had
a hard problem before them. The
President of the Association, General
Rhodes, Editor of The Birmingham
Evening News, in his address to the
Association, made some reference to
the Constitutional Convention and said
that the members of that body were
under greater obligations to observe
their sacred oath to the common-
wealth of Alabama and to devise the
best Constitution possible than to re-
deem any party pledges that might
hamper them in the proper discharge
of their duty. That sentiment was
listened to by nearly all of the mem-
bers of the Press Association who were
in attendance at the meeting, for it
was at the first days' morning session.
It was most generously applauded as
if that was the sentiment of the Asso-
ciation, and we do not hesitate to say
that with the approbation of 75
per cent of those who heard it.

The next day at a meeting of the
Association at Jackson's Lake, the
sentiment above expressed by the Presi-
dent, was put in the shape of a res-
olution, pledging the support of the
Constitutional Convention should they do
as above described, "observe their oaths
to the State rather than redeem any
Party pledges." The resolution was
offered just the close of the day's
session, and there were only some
thirty members on the stand. There
was some objection to it, and consid-
erable discussion, but it was adopted by
two-thirds of those present.

Since the meeting of the Association
a number of papers who were not
present, as well as some few who
voted against the resolutions, endeavor-
ed to make a lot of capital out of
the action of those voting for the res-
olution.

We contend that there was nothing
deliberate to the interest of the De-
mocratic Party, but that it would be
for the best interest of the State for
the Convention to make the best Constitu-
tion possible, and that is just what
they will do.

The Editor of The Advocate was
present at the meeting and voted for
the resolution. For more than thirty-
five years he has worked for the suc-
cess of the Democratic Party. There
has never been an election that the
editor of this paper has not only lab-
ored for the success of the Party, but
has given his time and money for the
cause. He has never scratched a ticket
to help any other party, and he is now
for the good of the State and county
to have a political organization domi-
nated by the Democratic Party.

We are confident that many of those
who are clamoring for the upholding
of the people's law (Cons State Con-
vention) do not care a continental, not
only for the pledges, but for the De-
mocratic Party. And it makes no dif-
ference what kind of a Constitution is
submitted, some of them will doubtless
oppose it.

No Woman Need Apply.

Washington Post.
It is the opinion of The Chicago
Chronicle that "No women need apply
for positions in the recent atrocities
in temperature from which Northern
cities and towns suffered such tor-
ments and are printing figures in their
newspapers to show that Georgia, for
instance, is the only Southern State
more comfortable State to live in while
the sun is doing its worst than the
typical Northern State of New York."
The records seem to support their
contention. Are we to upset the old
traditions and seek refuge in Atlanta
and Augusta while the hot waves sweep
over the territory above the Potomac?
Is Dixie the most inviting of summer
resorts after all?

Britain May Freeze Us Out.

"Those who are promoting the British
Imperial federation plan," says The
Boston Herald, "look to see the time,
and that at no distant day, when there
will be free trade between England and
her colonies, with an imperial tariff
resting upon the products of all other
countries."
"In the colonies of Canada, Australia,
New Zealand and when peace has
been secured—South Africa—pro-
gress possess areas which under proper
encouragement can be made to produce
many of the agricultural commodities
that they now buy of us."

Cleveland, July 17.—A chain weighing
four tons fell on six men in the Westing-
house Electric Company's electric works
this afternoon. One man was killed and
five badly injured.

Would Need a Balance.

Brantley Reporter.
If some boys were to part their hair
on one side of their head they would have
to wear their hat on the other side in
order to walk straight.

Might Do Both.

Washington County News.
The Sultan of Turkey has lost one of
his wives. But then, as he has ninety-
one left, we are at a loss to know which
is the proper thing to do—extend sincere
sympathy or hearty congratulations.

Who Would Have Thought It?

Birmingham News.
People of Nebraska and Kansas are
loaning money in New York. Who would
have ever thought that the money devil
would have established headquarters in
old-time Populist communities?

Had the Same Privilege.

Wilcox Era.
The Herald will never forgive the
Black Belt for sending influential dele-
gates to the Constitutional Convention.
It would be well for our esteemed con-
temporaries to remember that she had the
same privilege.

May Make a Split.

Mobile Register.
It is the opinion in the free silver camp
that too much importance is given the
performance of the Ohio Democrats. It
may not be as important as it looks to
others, but one thing cannot be denied of
it. It makes a split in the organized
Democratic Party. Whether that is im-
portant or not may be left to individual
judgment.

When You Want Roasting Done.

Headline Tribune.
When you want some one roasted in
the community, through some grievance,
don't expect the editor to fight your bat-
tles for you, but write your article and
sign your name to it, and patiently wait
for the editor to whip the editors always
has much to tend to without fighting, or
the fellow who won't fight for himself.

If They Will Be Good.

Shelby Sentinel.
Oh, no; Montevideo is not, nor has it
been, chasing the Shelby Court House.
Neither has it been chasing the Shelby
in time we make take in that town and
Columbiana—two of our suburbs which
are growing nicely—and make Greater
Montevideo. With the coming of the
Birmingham and Brunswick Railroad we
might take a notion to charter a South-
ern Railway, and the editors always
and breeches—that is, if they would prom-
ise to be good.

A Hot Weather Chortle.

Selma Times.
Backward, turn backward, O Time, in
your right; make me an iceberg, all glis-
tering white. Roll me up in the beautiful
snow; feed me on charity's chillest
wool; bathe me in winter's dull, miserly
frost; and make me sleep in the ashes
of years; shroud me in a thousand oc-
casions of age, with epithet writ by an ice-
hearted sage. Backward, turn backward,
a century or two, away from this tor-
menting, vapory night, far back to the eons
of summerless night. Make me an ice-
berg, O Time, in your flight!

The Thing is Growing.

Mobile Item.
This thing is growing; a justice of the
peace went out West and declared a State
law unconstitutional.—Atlanta Journal.
That's tame. The writer was present at
a justice of the peace court in Kansas
away back in the sixties, when a justice
of the peace pronounced the death sen-
tence by hanging and the execution would
have gone forward. Reynolds, however,
man H. M. Beebe of Ohio been present
and suggested to the justice that a con-
stable was not authorized to hang a man
without a writ. The justice remarked that
he could not command the sheriff, the only
officer empowered by law to fulfill the
duties and turned the criminal loose.
marking that if his court could not do
the hanging it would not do the trying.

WAS REYNOLDS RIGHT?

Have Passes Muzzled the State
Press?

Editor The Advertiser:
Don't you think the press has been
too hard on Delegates Reynolds? He
was wanted to keep them from having
passes? Has the press, with a few ex-
ceptions, ever chirped on the owner-
ship of officers by corporations who
dish out passes to them? This is what
the people want to know. If the
press, wasn't Reynolds all right?
Passes have muzzled them. Cowboy.

The Ohio Keynote.

"The Ohio convention," says The New
York Evening Post, "has sounded the
keynote for the Democratic party in
the Union."
"The South has long desired to get
rid of silver as an issue in national
politics. The Eastern wing of the party
has been against silver all the time. If
we look for a Bryan contingent in the
next National Convention we shall
not find one, unless perhaps in the sil-
ver-mining States."
Those are the Republicans must now
abandon their own organization and
come back as individuals to their for-
mer party allegiance, or go out of po-
litics altogether. Silver need not be
reckoned with hereafter on the floor of
Congress or in any national campaign.
The country has much cause for re-
joicing over this event.

MASQUERADED AS A FEMALE.

Thomas Stokes Now Under Arrest
for Murder.
Van Buren, Ark., July 17.—Today T.
A. Irvin of Baird, Tex., was in the city
having in custody Thomas Stokes,
whom he arrested in Huntsville, this
State, charged with the murder of a
prominent citizen of Baird three years
ago. Stokes, who is but 24 years old

and boardless, has been for the past
three years masquerading in female at-
tire, and being a young man of edu-
cation, secured a teacher's license, and
representing himself to be a woman,
has been teaching school near Hunts-
ville.
Stokes is very reticent about the af-
fair, and claims that he is not the man
wanted. He says that the donning of
female attire was from choice, as he
better succeeded in getting employment
as a female teacher. He had become
popular among the people of the
Huntsville who are loath to believe that
he is not the woman he had repre-
sented himself to be. He was taken to
Texas today. Detective Irvin is quite
positive that he has the right man.

CORBIN'S TRIP TO PHILIPPINES

Greater Economy in the Army There
is Desired.

Manila, July 17.—Adjutant General
Corbin today explained to the corre-
spondent of the Associated Press that the
chief purpose of his visit to the
Philippines was to get a better touch
with the details of the situation, and
further the desire of the administra-
tion for greater economy in the army
of the Philippines. General Corbin has
been invited to accompany the mem-
bers of the Civil Commission on a trip
to the northern part of Luzon Island,
but will probably decide to visit the
southern islands of the archipelago in-
stead.

Investigation into the case of Captain
Andrew S. Rowan of the 19th In-
fantry, charged with burning a town
on the island of Bohol, failed to prove
Captain Rowan had ordered the town
to be burned. The responsibility for
the destruction of the town has not yet
been fixed.

The organ of the Filipino insurgents
in Madrid, Filipinas Anteo-Europa, has
printed an order from Aguinaldo, dated
Palanan, in January, which directs the
execution of all American prisoners.
When questioned about the order to-
day, Aguinaldo said to the correspond-
ent of the Associated Press that he had
always been considerate to prisoners,
and denied the authorship of the order
in question. He claimed that many or-
ders had been issued by military offi-
cers without his sanction.
The American military authorities
have documentary evidence, dated No-
vember, 1898, to the effect that the in-
surgent leaders contemplated creating
a Philippine monarchy and nobility.
Aguinaldo, when questioned, declined
to discuss the matter.

IN SHERIFF'S CUSTODY.

Miss Irene Canning Who Claims to
Be a Heiress.

Goshen, Ind., July 17.—Irene Canning,
16 years of age, from Galveston, Tex.,
claiming to be an heiress to \$300,000 in
Southern bonds and securities, is in the
custody of the sheriff, awaiting instruc-
tions from her guardian, the Rev. George
Tarbox of Savannah, Ga. She claims to
have been under the hypnotic influence
of a doctor, who abducted her from a board-
ing school at Holyoke, Mass. She got
off a train at South Bend to escape the
man, who was following her. She is quite
attractive in appearance and has traveled
all over the United States. The police are
investigating.

IS NOT A PRISONER.

Olive Schreiner Living in Hanover
for Her Health.

London, July 17.—Theophilus Schreiner,
brother of Olive Schreiner, has sent a
letter to the South African Association
contradicting the statements made by
Ouida (Mrs. Cecil de la Rame) to the
effect that Olive Schreiner was held a
prisoner by the British in South Africa.
Theophilus Schreiner says his sister,
Olive Schreiner, is living in Hanover,
Cape Colony, for the sake of her health,
and that her husband, Mr. Cronwright,
is with her. The town of Hanover is under
martial law, says Theophilus Schreiner,
but Olive Schreiner is allowed the
freedom of the military cordon.

ERIE DECLARES DIVIDEND.

Payment of 1 1/2 Per Cent on the Pre-
ferred Stock.

New York, July 17.—The directors of
the Erie Railroad Company have de-
clared a dividend of 1 1/2 per cent, on its
first preferred stock, the first for that
stock. The dividend will be paid to-
day.
"The election of B. Thomas of the Erie
Railroad as chairman of the Board of
Directors of the Lehigh Valley Railroad
was formally carried out at a meeting of
the directors in Philadelphia today.
While the belief is general that control
of the Lehigh Valley Railroad will ul-
timately fall to the Erie Railroad, well-
informed authorities say that there will
be no change in the present arrange-
ment."

SEARCHING FOR ASSAILANTS.

Farmer's Wife Assaulted and the
Neighborhood is Aroused.

Portage, Wis., July 17.—Mrs. Fred
Hodge, a farmer's wife, residing near
Portage, Wis., has been assaulted by two
men while returning from the field. It
is feared she will die.
The enraged farmer has formed bands
and are scouring the surrounding country
for the assailants.

Death of Col. Perze Dickinson.

Knoxville, July 17.—Col. Perze Dickin-
son, aged 89 years, died this afternoon at
2:20 o'clock. He came to this city from
Amherst, Mass., in 1892. He was one of
the leading business men of Knoxville,
being the pioneer in wholesale business
in Knoxville. He owned the celebrated
Island Home farm.

Killed by a Pearl Buyer.

Black Rock, Ark., July 17.—Mike
Gran was killed on the steamer Krata
in Black River, Ark., by a pearl buyer
named Phillips. The killing was the
result of a dispute over a berth in the
boat. Phillips is in jail.

The New Alpine Railway from Bex to
Villars has been opened. The line opens
up a picturesque country 1 nthe high
Alps.

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