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SALISBURY, N. C., JULY, 3rd, '07.

The editor has not entered a conspiracy to snatch from our thrifty and unsuspecting rural friends the honor of having the first roasting ears of the season, and we do not know that we are the first, but as we had a nice lot from our garden Monday, July 1st, it is likely we are somewhere among the first. Our cucumbers, squashes and beans are bearing nicely and, with such as the neighbors may send in from time to time, the prospects are we will subsist in some manner till acorns are ripe.

A change is coming over the farmers about here and just what it means is a problem. During the last year quite a number of fairly well-to-do farmers have sold out, quit the farm and come to town and, we fear, some have worsened their condition. A man who knows nothing but farming cannot, as a rule, come to town and secure any better employment than a common laborer. He cannot near live with the ease and plenty with which he has been accustomed on the farm. But coming to town they are and in these days of high prices for farm products too. What does it mean?

Some kind friend has sent us a communication from Salem signed "Mary Lee." We appreciate the spirit in which it was sent and would be glad to publish same, but as the real name of the writer does not accompany the article, we of course, cannot do so. Every one ought to know that newspapers are largely dependent upon their correspondents for the accuracy of their "items," and if they made a habit of publishing communications from unknown writers that much devilment would likely be the result. It is therefore considered necessary to know the writer and should an erroneous statement be made some means of correction will be at hand, or the proper party will be made to shoulder the responsibility.

"We often hear remarks which indicate an impression that politicians are rather a low set of fellows, with selfish aims and corrupt practices, who manipulate party politics for their own advantage and that the less self-respecting gentlemen have to do with them the better. If that is ever the case, and it undoubtedly is the case at some times and in some places, in such places political control is allowed to go by default. Such a condition of political affairs is always due to the fact that the citizens who are honest, upright and public-spirited, who would not prostitute party power to personal advantage, who would not make a party organization a corrupt combination to secure place and profit, fail in the performance of public duty and permit the party organization which limits and restrains the exercise of their political power to remain in the hands of unworthy and self-seeking men."

The above remarks are those of Elihu Root, Secretary of State. We give him credit for being candid and sincere, but there are two ways of making use of such statements. The man who is honest and sees the truth in such remarks uses them to persuade others to join in the attack on the politicians and the little peanut politicians often make use of them as a defense and exoneration of their perfidy.

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ASHBY IN JAIL

Murderer of Dan Overcash Captured by Rowan County Officers.

Ed. Ashby, the slayer of Dan Overcash, his brother-in-law, was arrested Monday at Cranberry, N. C., by Deputy Sheriff Jim Krider. The officer reached here with his prisoner Monday night and placed him in jail.

Sheriff Krider and deputies have been on Ashby's trail since the day of the killing, and managing to learn of the section to which he was bound, Deputy Krider went to Cranberry to head him off, the result of his trip being as stated above. It is likely that the trial will take place at the August term of the Superior court and some highly sensational developments are expected during the trial.

Ashby claims that he killed Overcash in self-defense. He says that on the Thursday before the killing Overcash had visited his home and run him off. When the two met on the day of the murder Ashby claims that Overcash had a pistol in his hand and was threatening to kill him when he, Ashby, shot in his own defense and killed the man who was threatening to take his life. There are all sorts of rumors as to the circumstances attending the tragedy and the causes which led up to it, and the tangle will only be straightened out by the evidence given in court, if then. While we have no desire to create any prejudice against Ashby, from what can be learned, sentiment is generally on the side of the man who was slain.

Mrs. Nation Arrives.

Mrs. Carry Nation has visited us. She talked to the saloon men, made several addresses at the court house, and incidentally disposed of divers and sundry pamphlets and hatchets, which she parted with for coin. Mrs. Nation does not seem to be the noisy, belligerent individual she has been pictured, at least she has had no wild spell while here.

Grocery Store Burns.

Sunday night the grocery store of Walton & Klutz, at Council and Long streets was discovered on fire by officer Cable. An alarm was given and the fire department turning out managed to save the house and most of the stock. The damage to the building was about \$200 and about the same to the stock, which is covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Veteran Missionary Hurt.

Statesville, July 2.—His many friends will regret to learn that Rev. Daniel McGilvary, the veteran missionary to Siam, suffered a serious injury by a fall in April. Mrs. R. W. Orr, of Statesville, a daughter of this well known and useful man, received a letter a few days since stating that Dr. McGilvary had one of his thighs broken early in April by a fall at Chiang Mai, Siam, and that it will be at least three months before the splints can be removed from his injured limb. Mr. McGilvary is 80 years old and, although he may partially regain his strength, his recovery is very doubtful. Dr. and Mrs. McGilvary were in this country last year on a visit, spending some time with their daughter. While here Mrs. McGilvary was taken sick and was for a long time in a critical condition. She finally regained strength enough to travel and she and Dr. McGilvary sailed for Siam in October to spend the remainder of their lives in the country where the brave missionary has accomplished untold good.—Special to Charlotte Observer.

Railway Mail Clerk.

The United States Civil Service Commission announced an examination on August 6th, 1907, at the postoffice in this city, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill vacancies which may occur in the railway mail service. The age limit is 18 to 35 years. Minimum height, 5 feet 5 inches. Minimum weight, 130 pounds in ordinary clothing. Further information may be obtained at the postoffice here, or by writing to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

LOVING ACQUITTED.

Virginia Jury Frees the Murderer of Young Theodore Estes.

Houston, Va., June 29.—After being in the jury room 45 minutes the jury this evening returned a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of former Judge William G. Loving, of Nelson county, and manager of the Virginia estate of Thomas F. Ryan, who was placed on trial here last Monday before the Circuit Court of Halifax, Judge William R. Barksdale presiding, for the murder of Theodore Estes, son of Sheriff M. K. Estes, of Nelson county. Judge Loving shot and killed young Estes on April 22nd at Oak Ridge, following a buggy ride Estes had taken with the judge's daughter, Miss Elizabeth Loving, who told her father that her escort had drugged and assaulted her.

The jury retired at 4:45 o'clock and from that time until the verdict was returned the defendant remained in the seat he had occupied since the trial began, and surrounded by the members of his immediate family with the exception of his daughter Elizabeth, who was not present today. At 5:45 o'clock a loud knock was heard on the door of the jury room and Judge Barksdale, who had taken his seat on the bench ordered the sheriff to preserve order and cautioned the large crowd that had remained to not give vent to their emotions when the verdict was announced. The verdict of acquittal was read by Foreman B. S. McGraw.

War Department Forbids the Sale of Coca Cola.

The War Department has issued an order forbidding the sale of coca cola in the post exchange in the departments of the east. This action was taken following numerous complaints reported concerning the effects of the drink and after an analysis of its ingredients made at the Department of Agriculture by Prof. Wiley the chief chemist. Dr. Wiley reported that in a majority of the samples of coca cola which he tested he found quantities of cocaine and caffeine. Officers have reported that enlisted men have discovered the effects which the drink produces upon them and that for the purpose of getting this effect they drink six or seven glasses of the stuff, and that the result is injurious to health, as well as destructive of morals.—Washington Herald.

September the Month.

Capt. S. B. Alexander does not believe that the present cotton crop is as far behind as many think. "The plant has grown wonderfully during the past 10 days," he said yesterday, "so much so that one can hardly recognize the fields as they were two weeks ago and now. That hot weather and the warm showers have made the stalks shoot up amazingly. As to the shortness of the crop, it is impossible to forecast with any degree of certainty until after September. September is the cotton crop as May is to the wheat crop. The conditions during the winter may be bad and the wheat may be small, but a favorable May will bring the crop out to a normal yield. So with cotton. If the weather conditions during September are favorable, then, unless the handicap is altogether too great, the yield will be a good one."—Charlotte Observer.

Mill Hand Kills Landlady.

Lynchburg, Va., June 29.—Joseph Meisenheimer, a weaver at the Lynchburg Cotton Mill, early tonight shot and killed Mrs. Chas. Walker, with whom he boarded, killing her instantly, and probably fatally shot Mrs. Walker's mother, Mrs. Martha Dregory, aged about 50. It is believed the man then turned the weapon on himself, but he managed to escape in the darkness, before the husband of the dead woman knew what had taken place. A vigorous search is being made for the man.

Meisenheimer had been drinking and as far as can be learned the trouble seems to have been over the fact that Mrs. Walker allowed another boarder to occupy his seat at the supper table. Words followed and Meisenheimer drew his gun and began firing, both of his shots taking effect. Meisenheimer came here five years ago from Salisbury, N. C.

John Gooch Walker.

The subject of this sketch was born 57 years ago, in August, on a farm near Chester, S. C., and remained there with his brother and mother until the latter's death. His father, John Walker, a prominent dentist of Chester, having died while in the war, he made his home with his uncle, Henry Gooch. He then spent several years in Indiana, Pa., clerking. Returning to the South he settled in Charlotte where he had relatives, was employed in various capacities and remained there until 1898, when he moved to Washington city, making that his home with occasional visits to relatives and friends in Salisbury and Charlotte. During Mr. Walker's stay in Charlotte he married a daughter of William Frew Davidson, an honored citizen of that city. This union was blessed with two children, little Sarah Agnes, who died at the age of one year, and John Victor, who survives and with Mrs. Walker mourns the loss of husband and father. Mr. Walker died in Washington, D. C., early Saturday morning from the effects of consumption, after a lingering illness of several years. His remains were carried to Charlotte and the interment took place Sunday morning in Elmwood cemetery. Rev. Harris Malinocroft, Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, Charlotte, officiated, and the vestry of said church acted as pall bearers. Mr. Walker was a kind father, a devoted husband, good business man, an upright citizen, a loyal friend and a consistent Christian. He fought a good fight, and shaking off the dust of time, he made a triumphant entry into the realms of eternity. Our loss is his gain.

Do not forget the date of this meeting—Salisbury, Tuesday, July 30th; China Grove, Friday, August 2nd, 1907,—and see that your neighbors know of it and attend.

Institute for the Women From the Farm Homes.

In connection with the regular annual Farmers Institutes for Rowan county, to be held at Salisbury Tuesday, July 30; China Grove Friday, August 2nd, there will also be held a meeting for the women from the farms. One or two women speakers will be present from the State Department of Agriculture and these will be assisted by the men conducting the men's institute. As this meeting will be held on the same day and at the same place as the Farmers Institute a joint meeting of the men and women may be arranged for the afternoon.

Christian Science Breaks up Family.

Alfred H. Williams, a wealthy and prominent wholesale druggist of this city, who recently gained considerable notoriety by assaulting his wife, following a dispute with her on the subject of Christian science, today signed an agreement by the terms by which the couple will live hereafter apart, Williams to pay his wife \$20 per week.

Williams maintains that the breaking up of his home is due to the adoption of Christian Science by his wife and the efforts of Mrs. Williams to their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Williams, a student at Wellesley College, embraces the Christian Science Church.

Since the occurrence Williams has inaugurated a campaign against the Christian Science cult varying his pursuits of business with the distribution of papers and pamphlets exposing the alleged evil influences of the sect. The Williams family has occupied a prominent position in society and the rupture in domestic relations have created a mild sensation.—Utica, N. Y., dispatch.

Mill Operative Suicides.

Gastonia, July 2.—Frank M. Webb, an employe of the Loray Mills, committed suicide last night by taking poison. No motive is assigned for the act except that Webb had been on a protracted spree. The fact of the suicide was not known until this morning.

Webb went home last night about 7 o'clock, and went to bed in a room occupied also by another man, and no suspicions of anything wrong were entertained by his room-mate. This morning, however, Webb's companion, on awakening, found Webb dead, and by his bedside two empty bottles, one of which had held an ounce of carbolic acid and the other one a half-ounce of laudanum.

The coroner viewed the remains and decided that an inquest was unnecessary, as it was evidently a clear case of suicide.

The dead man leaves a wife and family of eight children.—Special to Charlotte Observer.

When the baby is teething it is cross and restless; it becomes feverish, and in many cases vomits a great deal and oftentimes cannot even keep cool water on the stomach. All the delicate little organs of the stomach are affected, bringing on colic and diarrhoea. Cascasweet for babies and children makes the stomach right and allays inflammation and prevents irritation. Cascasweet makes the baby happy and well. Sold by James Plummer and all druggists.

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Rowan County Annual Farmers' Institutes.

China Grove, Friday, August 2nd. Salisbury, Tuesday, July 30th, 1907.

The Annual Farmers' Institute for Rowan county will be held at Salisbury, Tuesday, July 30th; China Grove, Friday, August 2nd, 1907. There will be two or three speakers present from the State Department of Agriculture in addition to the local speakers.

These institutes are for a free and informal discussion of every day farm problems, and no farmer can attend and take part in these discussions without receiving more than enough benefit to pay for the time spent.

No attempt will be made at this meeting to lay down hard and fast rules by which any man should run his farm, but improved farming methods will be discussed and the reasons why these methods are better than many of those now practiced will be given.

We are assured that no speaker will recommend anything he has not himself done and that dozens of farmers in this part of the State are not also doing at this time.

Farmer Held for Peonage.

Fayetteville, July 2.—R. W. Bullard, a farmer, is being tried before United States Commissioner Sutton charged with peonage in the case of a negro, Williams, to whom he paid advances, and whom he indicted in court for leaving him before working out the advance. A. J. Hoyt, assistant attorney general of the United States, is prosecuting and the government contends that Bullard so intimidated Williams as to make him work longer for him than he would have done and reduced him to a state of peonage. The defendant claims that no threats of his deterred Williams and that he left his service without fear, let or hindrance.

Wisely Said.

The gentleman who once made the discovery in fiction that Bladen county had produced no great men is invited to contemplate the fact that Rev. Bryson Clark, called to the pastorate at Salisbury, of the First Presbyterian church, is a native of Bladen county. None but a great man can fill the place of Jethro Rumble.—Raleigh News and Observer.

There will be an important meeting of the Law and Order League at the court house Sunday evening at 5 p. m. Come out.

Sunday Drinks in Greensboro.

Greensboro, July 2.—Mayor Brandt this afternoon issued an order to the chief of police not to make any more arrests of drug store owners or others who sell soft drinks on Sunday. This is virtually a refusal to recognize the manifesto issued by ex-mayor Murphy while in office, forbidding the sale of soft drinks and cigars during certain hours.

Survey of New Railroad.

Reidsville, July 2.—A large force of workmen is now between Wentworth and Stoneville surveying the Rockingham & Caswell Railroad. Mr. Wyoar, from Virginia, has charge of the work and thoroughly understands his duties. About 25 bright young men, mostly school students, are engaged in the work and the progress they are making is fast and entirely satisfactory. One hundred convicts from the State penitentiary are expected within the next few days, at which time grading will be commenced. In view of the scarcity of labor this item of convict labor is a big asset for the new railroad. The Rockingham & Caswell will traverse an unusually fine territory—beginning from Yanceyville, in Caswell county, via Locust Hill, Eastland, Ashland, Lenox Castle, Thompsonville, Reidsville, Wentworth, Leaksville, Spray, and on to Stoneville, where it will tap the Norfolk & Western, thereby giving this section competing freight and passenger rates.

Death Due to Fright.

Heart failure occasioned by excessive fright is believed to have been the cause of the death of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Merritt's little 8-year-old son, at the home of his parents near Pineville, Monday afternoon. The little fellow, with several companions, was playing out in the barn yard. One of the cows, a rather vicious brute, doubtless enraged by the children's actions, started towards them, shaking her head and acting as if mad. All ran a scramble underneath the fence. The little Merritt boy was behind the rest and was the last to escape. He rolled under the fence, but did not get up. The other children, knowing that something was wrong, gave the alarm. A physician was summoned, but the little fellow was dead. There were no bruises on his body and it is believed that he died of fright.—Charlotte Observer.

Sold His Family.

Boone, Iowa, July 1.—Henry Hammerstein, a workman of North Boone, last week sold his wife and two children for \$12.50. Mrs. Hammerstein agreed to the bargain, and became the wife of Burt Haynes, where she is yet living. Hammerstein left home two months ago, going to Fort Dodge, where he worked on a railroad. Last week he visited his family, found that in his absence his wife had gone to live with Hanes, taking the two children with her. Hammerstein filed suit against Hanes for \$5,000, but later the two got together and arranged that Hanes should pay Hammerstein just \$12.50, and keep the woman and two children. This was satisfactory to Mrs. Hammerstein, and the transfer was drawn up, signed and properly executed.

Tried to Blow up Sawmill.

Newbern, N. C., July 2.—A dastardly attempt has been discovered two or three times recently to blow up the Roper Company's Sawmill here. A cut bolt was found in the cylinder of the engine in such a way as to preclude any other opinion than that it was placed there for mischief. The other night a large amount of belting, a load for six men; was stolen from the plant. The company has been the victim of many depredations lately.

SALISBURY MARKETS.

Corrected weekly by D. M. Miller.
Apples, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$2.00
Bacon, sides per lb., 11 to 11½
" shoulders, per lb., 12½ to 13
" ham, per lb., 14 to 15
" round, per lb., 10 to 12½
Butter, choice yellow, 15 to 20
Cabbage, per lb., ½ to 1
Chickens, per lb., 8½ to 9
Corn, per bushel, \$1.00
Cotton, per lb., 10 to 12
Ducks, 20 to 35
Eggs, per doz., 16 to 17
Flour, straight, per sack, \$2.00 to \$2.25
" pat, \$3.00 to \$3.50
Guinea, 25 to 30
Hay, per hundred lbs., 50 to 60
Hides, green, per lb., 8c. to 10
Hides, dry, per lb., 10 to 12
Honey, per lb., 15 to 20
Lard, N. C., per lb., 10 to 13
Meal, bolted, per bu., 85 to 90
Oats, per bu., 50 to 55
Onions, per bu., 50 to 80
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