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TARBORO STREET.

Evicted Corpses.

In Mexico the Dead Have but Temporary Resting Places.

Mexican cemeteries and burial customs are very different from those in other parts of the world. The little city of Guanajuata exhibits these peculiarities to a marked extent. There the dead man is entitled to but temporary repose in the public cemetery. His body can rest in peace for five years, after which term, unless his family hire the ground for an additional period, it is evicted for non-payment of rent. The Guanajuato cemetery is filled with catacombs, built with extremely thick walls. Each holds a single body, and after the tomb is closed the door is hermetically sealed with a stone. Access to the catacombs is allowed from morning until nightfall, and the dead receive frequent visits from their friends. At the end of five years the corpse must give up the resting place unless the family pay the municipality \$25 rent for a new term of repose. A peculiarity of the Guanajuato atmosphere prevents decay, and rapidly transforms the corpses in these temporary tombs into mummies. The bodies of the evicted dead, each bearing a tablet inscribed with the corpse's name are leaned in long rows against the inside of the cemetery walls, and there they stay for years before crumbling into dust.—Ex.

Home Enterprises.

The failure of several outside Building and Loan Associations recently carries a telling lesson to those North Carolinians who had money in them. If we will heed the lesson, the money that is lost will not be in vain. The lesson is one that North Carolina people sorely need; it is this, patronize, encourage, put your money in home enterprises. Instead of putting money into a Building and Loan Association in Tennessee, put it into one in North Carolina; or into a North Carolina savings bank, or into a North Carolina factory, or into a North Carolina farm, or North Carolina home. For a hundred years North Carolina has given her best to the enrichment of other States. Some of them are rich now, but she is as poor as ever. It is time to store, Insurance, Building and Loan, outside merchants, trusts, and the like, take millions annually right out of North Carolina soil, and much of it never comes back again. We have given freely to the world at large, now let us help ourselves by helping one another. We have the best (in every particular) State in the Union, the best (in every particular) spot of earth in the world.—Biblical Record.

OLNEY AND HERBERT.

Both will Practice Law, the Former in Boston and the Latter in Washington.

Washington, March 3.—Secretary Olney has definitely concluded not to accept the professorship of international law at Harvard, tendered him by President Elliott, but will resume his law practice in Boston, in the course of a month. He intends to remain in Washington for a week after the inauguration.

Secretary Herbert expects to locate in Washington to practice law. Mr. Herbert will take as a partner his son in law, Mr. Benjamin Micou. Mr. Micou was practicing law at Anniston, Ala., when the chief clerk of the Navy Department died and Mr. Herbert induced him to take it until the close of this administration.

"SILVER BEACH."

A Maryland Strand Where People Pick Up Money.

One of the diversions at Ocean City, says the Baltimore Sun, is hunting for Spanish coins on the "Silver Beach." Years ago a vessel with a great quantity of Spanish silver coin went down off this beach, and during the last 25 or 30 years a great many have been picked up in the sand. An old colored woman used to live near the place, and it is said that she found nearly enough of them to support her. One of the men in the life saving station has found in the last eight years coins to the amount of \$50, and many other persons have found them in considerable numbers. Only a few dollar coins have been found, the rest being smaller ones, mainly quarters and halves. Lately very few have been discovered, and the finding of one by Mr. Samuel Maddox recently excited considerable interest. When found the coins are very black and they are less than half their original thickness. And yet the inscriptions and devices upon them are as clear and bold as ever. This is because the sand or corrosion, whichever it is, wears it down equally all over the surface.—Ex.

Mental Geography.

The largest river is Time. The deepest ocean is death. The region where no living thing hath habitation is called Yesterday. The most civilized country is Today. The highest mountain is called Success. Few reach the top save those who watch sharply for the passing of the Mountain Opportunity, who carries upward all those who seize hold upon him. The region where no man hath ever set foot is called Tomorrow. The greatest desert is called Life, and it hath many oases. These are called Hope, Ambition, Love, Charity and Home. And of them all the last is the most beautiful.

N. Y. Board of Health on Wine.

Dr. Janes of the New York Board of Health says: "I take great pleasure in testifying to the superior qualities of the Port Wine produced by Alfred Speer of New Jersey. After a prolonged trial I recommend it as a superior wine for the sick and debilitated."

It is kept in casks to a great age before bottling, and though higher in price is far superior and more reliable than other wines.

Why He Never Married.

Some one who lately asked a well-known gentleman why he remained a bachelor received this reply: "Because the desirable was not attainable and the attainable was not desirable."

Home.

Ah home! when all elsewhere is dreary, When we are most heartsore and weary, What place beside is half so cheer As home, sweet home!

There innocent glee and childish prattle Beguile the hours with noisy tattle, Forgetful half of life's rough battle, We are at rest.

At night, when home from work returning, We see afar a bright light burning, In haste we seek the shortest turning, To home, sweet home.

Where o'er the frugal board presiding; In hope and faith and love abiding; The mother hears from lips confiding, The days exploits.

And thus the moments so entrancing Glide swift away, when some one glancing At the tall clock, sees near advancing The midnight hour.

And while the bird of night is brooding, O, where, beside, come dreams so soothing As now from out our brows are smoothing The lines of care?

Fancing in dreams our flight is winging, In sweet, low tones joybells seem ringing, A psalm of peace night winds are singing, At home, sweet home. M. E. J. in Century.

N. C. Experiment Station Sugar Corn.

The Experiment Station at Raleigh for a number of years past has been developing a sugar corn that would have the properties of field corn adapted to this latitude, combined with the table qualities of ordinary sugar corn. It is believed that characteristics of such a cross are now permanently fixed. The Station desires to place a small package of the corn into the hands of careful parties who will give it a trial and who will promise to report results next fall. This should not be planted near field corn. To applicants who will agree to the above conditions and will send four cents for return postage and for expense of mailing, the Station will be glad to send packages as long as the supply lasts. Apply to the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, Raleigh, N. C.

The San Jose Scale.

The Experiment station regrets to announce that the dreaded San Jose scale has reached North Carolina. Bulletin No 139 describes the character of this destructive pest, the damage which it has done to the fruit industry in other States, and what it is likely to do in North Carolina unless it is stamped out at once. It is stated in the bulletin that from a single pair, three billion insects may result in a single season. Although these scale insects do not move from one place to another of their own accord, yet they are blown by the wind or else carried on the feet of birds to other orchards not infested. The Horticultural Society, aided by the Experiment Station, has prepared a bill which is now being considered by the legislature, the purpose of which is to appoint an unsalaried commission to prevent the introduction and spread of such pests. The Bulletin contains a copy of the bill now before the General Assembly. It is believed to be one of the most important that the legislature has before it for consideration.

It is not to be wondered at that Ayer's Pills are in such universal demand. For the care of constipation, biliousness, or any other complaint needing a laxative, these are unsurpassed. They are sugar-coated, easy to take, and every dose is effective.

FARM AND GARDEN.

Let everything that can be converted into manure cheaply be added to the manure heap designed for use in the spring.

A farm without an orchard will not sell. For selling the farm a thrifty young orchard will be found as good as a real estate agent.

The farmer's garden is the most profitable piece of ground on the farm, if it only produces all kinds of garden crops for the family.

In all our farming operations let us aim at practical results. These, and these only, will avail us in the hard times that we are now experiencing.

It is stated that florists and gardeners have found that they can effectually rid their greenhouses of destructive insects by placing tobacco stems on the heating pipes, the heat causing the odor of the tobacco and permeate the apartment and destroy the pests.—Ex.

If the the owner feels that he must use the young orchard for some productive crop, it should be a hoed crop, which needs clean cultivation. Corn answers well, the part shade being of some advantage. Pear trees will not stand forcing, and should have no manure, as blight sets in when they grow rapidly.—Ex.

Manure.

If we could induce our farmers to make their own fertilizers we would do them a positive good. There has been guano enough sold in the State since the war to buy it. It is passing strange that a farmer with stock and litter in waste at his door should mortgage his crop for commercial fertilizers. They are a ready food for the crop, but barnyard manure is more lasting to the land.—Pender Star.

Guano Fifty Years Ago.

The guano of today cannot be so powerful a fertilizer as it were some fifty years ago, when it first came into vogue. There was a number of traditions that have been handed down from lying father to son, telling of its wonderful effects not only on vegetation but upon the human form divine. We now recall a couple of them.

A farmer in Alabama had ordered from the neighboring town a bill of groceries, among which were several sacks of guano. The wagon reached the farm house after dark, and as this is always an event in country life, the family gathered round the "smoke-house" to witness the unloading. Among them was a ten-year-old boy, small for his age. Unnoticed, he fell asleep on one of the sacks and was locked up. The following morning an anxious search saw made, and when the door was opened there stood a six-footer and broad in proportion.

The other strange, eventful story was in effect as follows: A gardener had enriched his cucumber hills with guano. When he deposited the seed the result was magical. The germ sprang instantly into life, and finding he was being encompassed by the vine, he fled for his life, the trailing vine in active pursuit. He ran at the top of his speed several hundred yards and fell exhausted. A rescuing party hurried to his relief, but found him smothered with the vine and a full-grown cucumber in each of the dead man's pockets.—Bulletin.

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS.

LOCAL TRAINS:

N. Bound.	S. Bound.
Between Florence and Weldon. No. 78. 1:42 P. M. Leaves Wilson	No. 23. 2:05 P. M.

Between Wilmington and Norfolk: No. 48. 12:45 P. M. Leaves Wilson	No. 49. 2:12 P. M.
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"Shoo" Fly" Wilmington to Rocky Mount: No. 40. 10:23 P. M. Leaves Wilson	No. 41. 6:15 A. M.
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THROUGH TRAINS.

Between Florence and Weldon: No. 32. 12:22 A. M. Leaves Wilson	No. 35. 11:18 P. M.
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CHURCHES.

St. Timothy's Episcopal church, Rev. F. C. Bayliss, Priest-in-charge. Services: Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Sunday School at 3 p. m., Week-days—Wednesdays and Fridays at 4 p. m., Holy days at 10 a. m. Celebration of Holy Communion on 1st Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., other Sundays at 7:45 a. m.

Methodist Church, Rev. J. B. Hurley Pastor; services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 5 p. m., J. F. Bruton, Supt. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7:30.

Disciples Church, Rev. D. W. Davis, Pastor; services on Second, Third and Fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday night. Sunday School at 3 o'clock, p. m., Geo. Hackney, Supt.

Presbyterian Church, Rev. James Thomas, Pastor; services on the First, Second and Third Sunday in every month and at Strickland's church every Fourth Sunday. Sunday School at 5 o'clock, P. M.

Baptist Church, service as follows: Preaching Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock and 8:30 p. m. Rev. J. A. Rood Pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday School at 5 p. m., D. S. Boykin Supt.

Primitive Baptist Church, preaching on 2nd Sunday by Elder Jas. Bass; on 3rd Sunday by Elder Jas S. Woodard; on the 4th Sunday and Saturday before by the pastor, Elder P. D. Gold. Services begin at 11 a. m.

LODGES.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon Lodge No. 117 A. F. & A. M. are held in their hall, corner of Nash and Goldsboro streets on the 1st and 3rd Monday nights at 7:30 o'clock p. m. each month. J. D. Bullock, W. M.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon Chapter No. 27 are held in the Masonic Hall every 2nd Monday night at 7:30 o'clock p. m. each month. Lat Williams, H. P.

Regular meetings of Mt. Lebanon Commandery No. 7 are held in the Masonic hall every 4th Monday night at 7:30 o'clock each month. W. H. Applewhite, E. C.

Regular meetings of Wilson Lodge, K. of H. No. 1694 are held in their hall over the 1st National Bank every 1st Thursday evening at 3:30 o'clock, p. m. B. F. Briggs, Director.

Regular meetings of Contentnea Lodge, No. 87, K. of P. are held in Odd Fellows' Hall every Thursday night. Visiting members always welcome.

Regular meetings of Enterprise Lodge, No. 44, are held every Friday night in Odd Fellows' Hall.