THE ROANOKE NEWS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1878

LINES ON A SKELETON.

The following poem, though old, is worthy of frequent republication. As has been often stated, it was found near a skeleton in the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn London, and was sent for publication to the Morning Chronicle. Yet though fifty guineas was offered for the discovery of the author, his name has never transspired:

Behold this ruin! 'Twas a skull,
Once of ethereal spirit full;
This narrow cell was life's retreat,
This space was thought's mysterious seat.
What beauteous visions filled this spot!
What dreams of pleasure long forgot!
Nor hope nor love, nor joy nor fear
Have left one trace or record here.

Beneath that mouldering canopy
Once shone the bright and busy eye,
But stare not at the dismal void;
If social love that eye employed,
If with no lawless fire it gleamed,
But through the dew of kindness beamed,
That eye shall be forever bright
When stars and suns are sunk in night.

With this hollow cavern hung
The ready, swift and tuneful tongue,
If falsehood's honey it disdained,
And when it could not praise was chained
If solid virtue's cause it spoke,
Yet gentle pressed no iron yoke,
That silent tongue shall plead for thee
When time unravels eternity.

Say, did those fingers delve the mine?
Or with its envied rubies shine?
To hem the rock or wear the gem,
Can little now avail to them.
But if the page of truth they sought,
Or comfort to the mourner brought,
These hands a richer meed shall claim
Than all that wait on wealth or fame.

Avails it whether bare or shod
These feet the paths of duty trod?
If from the halls of ease they fled
To seek Affliction's humble shed,
If grandeur's guilty brows they spurned
And home to virtue's refuge returned,
These feet with angels shall vie,
And tread the paths of the sky.

TRACES OF HITCHING.

"Suppose," said he, it occurs to myself,
"A fellow just like me
Should axe little Gertie to wed—
What would the answer be?"

The maiden drops her liquid eyes—
Her smiles with blushes mingles—
"Why seek the bridge before you come?
You may live on, sure enough!"

And then he spoke: "Oh be my bride,
I ask you once again;
You are the empress of my soul,
And there shall ever reign.

"I'll never tire of kindly deeds
To win your gentle heart,
And saddle be the shaft that reads
Our happy lives apart!"

Upon her cheek the maiden felt
The mantling blushes glow—
She took him for her faithful husband—
To share his weal or woe.

ESSAY ON WOMAN.

After man came woman,
And she has been after him ever since.

She is a piece of mosaic extraction, being made of man's rib.

I don't know why Adam wanted to give away his rib in that way, but I suppose he was not accountable for all he did.

Woman is not so complacent as man, but she seems to know a good deal about the peculiar merits of water, and reaches them to her by hand whenever she smells something stronger than water on his breath.

It costs more to keep a woman than three dogs and a shot gun.

But she pays you back with interest by giving you a house full of children to keep you awake at nights and smear molasses candy on your Sunday coat.

Beside a wife is a very convenient article to have about the house.

She is as handy to scold at whenever you cut yourself with the razor and don't feel like blaming yourself.

Woman is the superior being to Massachusetts.

There being about sixty thousand more of her sex than males in that State.

This accounts for the terrible, hunted down expression of the single men who emigrate from the East.

Woman was not created perfect.

She has her faults—such as false hair, false teeth, false complexion and so on.

But she is a good deal better than her neighbor, as she knows it.

Eve was a woman.

She must have been a model wife, too for it cost Adam nothing to keep her in clothes.

Still, I don't think she was happy.

She couldn't go to sewing circles and tell her information about everybody she knew, nor excite envy of other ladies by wearing her new spring bonnet to church.

Neither could she hang over the back fence and gossip with her neighbor.

All these blessed privileges were denied her.

Poor Eve! she is dead now.

And the fashion she inaugurated is dead also.

If it hadn't been for the confounded 'cussedness' perhaps the ladies of the present day would dress as economically as Eve did.

But the only place where this primitive style is emulated is in certain portions of Africa where the women consider themselves in full dress when they have nothing on but a postage stamp stuck in the centre of their foreheads.

What a beautiful example of simplicity of dress is shown in one of the followers of fashion by that domestic animal, the cat, which rises in the morning, washes its face with its right hand, gives its tail three jerks and is ready dressed for the day.

Woman is endowed with a tremendous fund of knowledge, and a tongue to suit.

She has the capacity for learning everything she was divinely intended to know and a few extra items beside.

Young ladies take a good deal of stock in classics and learn fast.

When you see a young lady student from from Vassar, with an absorbed look in her eye, and her lips rapidly moving, you understand at once that she is memorizing a passage from Virgil.

But perhaps a larger inspection will reveal the fact that she is only chewing gum.

A woman may not be able to sharpen a lead pencil, or hold an umbrella, but she can pick more articles in a trunk than a mice can in a one-horse wagon.

The happiest period of a woman's life is when she is making her wedding garments.

The saddest is when the husband comes home late at nights, and yells to her from the door steps to throw him a handful of keyholes of different sizes.

There are some real curiosities in feminine nature.

For instance, I once knew a young lady who could easily pass another one on the street without looking to see who she is out.

Poor thing, she was blind.

Once in the winter hoists a woman can get into a new ring bonet.

But it is not much worse than an modern walking dress which ladies persist in wearing on the streets.

When a woman approaches a crossing she pauses for one fleeting instant, gives a sudden kick that would discourage a Mexican mustang and catches her train on the fly.

There is no fun in hissing a girl when you have to do it, and a crowd is standing by to see fair play.

The best way is to lie in wait for her and jump out when she is not expecting it; catch her around the neck, knock her down, tear all the gathers out of her dress, pull a wad of hair from her head, have her arrested, make her pay a fine, and then go home and kiss your pillow to keep from crying.

"Now, children," said the teacher, "who made the world we live in?"

Just as he was about to answer, one of the boys inserted a pin in Joe's pants, about some inches below the old man's coat tail.

"God Almighty!" answered Joe in an elevated tone, at the same time rising from his seat.

"That is right," said the teacher, "but it is not necessary that you should rise in answering. A sitting posture is just as good."

Joe was again seated, and the catechism continued.

"Who fell to sin and misery?"

"Lord Christ!" everything as before.

"That will do, sir," said the teacher, "but you do not manifest as much humility. Be more composed in your manner," and the teacher to an experienced eye.

After Joe had calmed down, the examination went on.

"What was the first sin of all sinners?" was the next question up to Joe as he sat.

As the pin was again stuck in Joe's seat, he arose with a huge lump in his throat.

"Hell and damnation!"

"My young friend," said his instructor, "you give true answers to all these questions, but while you are here we wish you to be mild in your language."

THREE THINGS.

Three things to admire—Intellectual power, dignity and gracefulness.

Three things to love—Courage, gentleness and affection.

Three things to hate—Cruelty, arrogance and ingratitude.

Three things to delight in—Frankness, freedom and beauty.

Three things to wish for—Health, friends and a cheerful spirit.

Three things to avoid—Idleness, inquisitivity, and flippant jesting.

Three things to fight for—Honor, country and home.

Three things to govern—Temper, tongue and conduct.

Three things to think about—Life, death and eternity.

A heated lover wrote a letter of the same to his inamorata last week, beginning, "Sweetest." She will be a sight to him hereafter—nothing more.

Gussie—"Lizzie, darling, why do you wear another woman's hair?" Lizzie—"Gussie dear, why do you wear another one—I mean, why do you wear calf's skin on your hands?"

A clothier has excited public curiosity by having a large sple mounted on his sign. When asked for an explanation, he replied: "I thought it would be cheaper than an awning, where would the ready made clothing store be to-day."

Man was a little here below; but woman wants most everything she sees her neighbor have—excepting her tooth brush and youngest baby.

When a woman gets a red spot on the end of her nose the world charitably remarks that her blood is out of order; but just let that red spot appear on a man's nose and every one will declare they smell whiskey as soon as they get within twenty feet of him.

"Does our constant chatter disturb you?" asked one of three talkative ladies of a sober looking fellow passenger. "No ma'am. I've been married nigh on to twenty years," was the reply.

NOTICE.

The co-partnership of the firm heretofore existing under the name and style of White Steinback & Gooch has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Aaron Prescott and J. T. Gooch, having purchased the interests of White and Steinback. The business will hereafter be conducted in name of Prescott & Gooch.

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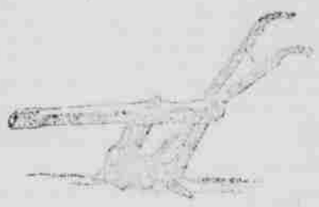

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Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 1, 1878.

MAIL TRAIN.

Leave Raleigh,	: :	8:00 A. M.
Arrives at Weldon,	:	12.40 P. M.
Leaves Weldon	: :	3:40 P. M.
Arrives at Raleigh,	:	8:25 P. M.

ACCOMMODATION TRAIN.

Leave Raleigh,	-	7:00 P. M.
Arrives at Weldon,	-	3:41 A. M.
Leaves Weldon,	-	10:00 P. M.
Arrives at Raleigh,	-	6:35 A. M.

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JNO. C. WINDER,
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PETERSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY,
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT,
PETERSBURG, VA., June 8th, 1878.

SCHEDULE OF TRAINS:

TO TAKE EFFECT NOVEMBER 18T.

GOING SOUTH.

New York Express leaves Petersburg daily at ..... 12:55 P. M.
Arrive at Weldon at ..... 3:10 P. M.
Southern Express leave Petersburg daily at ..... 11:35 P. M.
Arrive at Weldon at ..... 1:50 A. M.
Freight with Passenger coach attached, leave Petersburg daily, except Sunday, at ..... 11:30 A. M
Arrive at Weldon at ..... 5:20 P. M

GOING NORTH

New York Express leave Weldon daily at ..... 1:26 P. M
Arrive at Petersburg at ..... 3:41 P. M
Southern Express leave Weldon daily, at ..... 3:58 A. M
Arrive at Petersburg at ..... 6:20 A. M.
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CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

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Portsmouth, Va., Nov. 8, 1878.

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Through Freight	: :	6:00 A. M.
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Rocky Mount -		11:37 A M
Weldon - -		1:00 P M
Leave Weldon daily	At	3:22 P M
Arrive at Rocky Mount		4:50 P M
Goldsboro -		6:19 P M
Union Depot -		9:22 P M

EXPRESS TRAIN AND THROUGH FREIGHT TRAINS.

Leave Union Depot daily	At	3:00 P M
Arrive at Goldsboro		9:29 A M
Rocky Mount -		12:35 A M
Weldon - -		2:15 A M
Leave Weldon daily	-	10:00 P M
Arrive at Rocky Mount		12:40 P M
Goldsboro -		4:10 A M
Union Depot -		10:00 A M

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9:05 A. M.—Accommodation daily (except Sunday) coach attached.

7:05 P. M.—Express train daily, (except Sunday). Stops at all stations.

3:15 P. M.—Through Mail daily connecting with Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad for all points East and West making close connection with Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad for Virginia springs and all points West and North. This train stops at Manchester and Chester and at half way and Drewrys, and Bluff on signal.

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7:15 A. M.—Express (daily except Sunday.) Stops at all stations.

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