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WASHINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, OCT. 12, 1916.

Editor Crumpler, of the New Bern Sun-Journal, made the state ment in an editorial yesterday that "it is impossible to get married and be happy." Seeing that Editor Crumpler is tied to the mast himself, he could not very well be expected to make any different kind of a statement.

SHOULD EXTEND THE LIMIT.

According to international law, a nation has full jurisdiction over the actions and movements of any vessel within three miles of its shores. This is known as "the three-mile limit," a phrase that is known to everyone.

When this limit was established many years ago, it was done with the intention of protecting the coast and preventing enemy ships from coming inside of the three-mile limit and engaging in battle. In other words, three miles was considered at that time as the maximum distance which a cannon could shoot.

Since that time, however, vast improvements have been made in gunnery and the range of a warship's big guns is far above three miles. A ship could sail just outside the limit and shell the coast towns without the slightest difficulty. Or English and German vessels could engage in a little fight of their own on the other side of the line and if a few balls crashed through a seashore resort or two. and the United States entered a protest, both of the other countries could politely call attentions to the fact that they were outside the limit and that they would appreciate it if Uncle Sam attended to his own business. Ten miles would be a close enough limit. Three miles is ridiculous with modern naval equipment to contend with,

A PERMANENT COUNTY EXHIBIT.

At the Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday night, it was decided to endorse the opening up of a special exhibit room in the Laughinghouse building, which is to be used for the display of Beaufort county crops and soil. Many of the exhibits that are now at the State fair will be used in making up the display for this room.

The idea is an exercisent one and it is bound to be of considerable interest and benefit. In the first place, it will give many of the residents of Washington an idea of the versatile qualities of our soil and the large number of crops that can be raised. Then again, it would he an interesting place to take visitors. They could see at a glance just what the agricultural resources of the county amount to. It would be an impressive display in every way and it is to be hoped that the farmers will co-operate in the movement and endeavor to bring a few samples of their best crops to town whenever they come. It will also be an excellent advertisement for them.

THE LAW REGARDING THE "U-53."

While it is admitted that Germany is taking a great risk in sending her submarines over to this side of the Atlantic as far as her relationship with the United States is concerned-it appears that so far no laws have been violated and that strict care has been exercised by the "U-53" and other submarines in seeing that they did not offend this country.

The Hague convention of 1997 passed a number of articles which refer to matters of this kind. These articles were agreed to and signed by the representatives of Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria-Hungary and the United States, as well as of nearly every other nation, and subsequently formally ratified or adhered to by the governments of these countries.

In this connection, we reproduce some of the provisions of this

law, which were recently published in a New York paper.

Article No. 10 provides that "the neutrality of a Power is not af feeted by the mere passage through its territorial waters of warships Article 12 provides that such warships "are not to be permitted to remain in the ports, roadsteads or territorial waters of the said

Power for more than twenty-four hours."

The visit and departure of the I'-53 were therefore strictly in accordance with the law of nations, expressed in the Hague Convention and formally agreed to by the United States and Germany, as well as the other Powers.

The Hague Convention-Article 26-also provides that "the exercise by a neutral power of the rights laid down in the present con vention can under no circumstances be considered as an unfriendly act by one or other belligerents."

As to territorial jurisdiction, the law of nations limits the terri torial jurisdiction of any nation to waters within three marine leagues of the shore. Outside of that the waters are the high seas.

The U-53 operated as much as ten leagues from the American She was, of course, on the high seas and in no way subject to our territorial jurisdiction.

As to the right of capture, the law of nations provides that a war ship must warn an unarmed merchant vetsel to heave to, and can de stroy it ammmarily if it tries to resist or to escape. In case the merchant vessel above the warning to stop, the captor has the right of search to establish the nature of the ship, of its cargo and of its errand. The capter may confiscate contraband cargoes, whether ship ped by neutrals or by enemy subjects; it may put a prize crew of board and take ship and crew into a home port; or, if the commander deems it hazardons to attempt to send the prize to a home port, he may destroy it, having first secured the safety of the lives of crew

This is the settled law of nations, first agreed to in the Conferen of Paris, in 1856, and subsequently expressed and ratified in the

Declarations of The Hague and the Declaration of London.

The commander of the U-53 has evidently observed the provisions

of the law without exception.

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their last few centuries, as is evident from their dwindling tops.

That is what surprises the tourist—that having lived through human history they are now dying. They are now cared for, if things so strange and so august can be said to owe anything to man's care; but man for hundreds of decades gave them hard usage; their hollows are black with the fires lighted within by Indian nationa leng vanished.—London Chronicle.

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MICE DO STUNTS

Chicago, Oct. 13.—As a thief Wil-liam Rankin was a failure. So he went to prison and achieved success. He was convicted of larceny in Chi-He was convicted of larceny in Chi-cago in 1913 and sentenced to Jeliet for oen to ten years. At Joliet he met a mouse. Ordinarily one would not think of attempting to scale the Jungfrau of auccess on a mouse. But the ascetic life of the cell had frans-formed Rankin the thief into Bankin the thinker. the thinker.

He fed the mouse. They became

He fed the mouse. They became triends. Other mice came along: He befriended them. Then he startd to train them. He taught them to loop the loop, perform high dives, play "dead," answer to their individual names, bunt peanuts and cheese.

Now Rankin has a mouse circus, said to be one of the oddest "mena-geries" in existence. He wants the world to see it. He has enlisted the aid of Dr. F. Emory Lyon, head of the Central Howard Association of Chicago, in an effort to gain a pa role. His case has been pres the state parole board.

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The Town Gossip

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. t WENT out. IN THE country. FOR AN auto ride AND I didn't get back. BEFORE LATE. AND I went off. WITHOUT WRITING anything. FOR THIS column.

AND I thought. THAT I'D get up real early. THIS MORNING and do it. AND THIS morning. WHEN I woke up. AND PUT a foot OUT OF bed.

WAS awfully cold AND I drew it in again.

AND WENT to sleep again.

AND COVERED up.

SOME FIRES.
AND THEN I walked.

DOWN TO the office.

AND IT was still cold.
AND WHEN I got here.

NO ONE had come down

AND THERE was no fire

RUBBING MY hands.

TO GET them warm.

I WRITE a few lines.

MY HANDS some more.
AND I'M still shivering.

AND I wish. THAT I hadn't gone of ON THAT auto ride,

AND UNCOMFORTABLE.

AND HAVE to rub

AND FINALLY. I HAD to get up

AND I shivered AND I had to build

AND I'VE been.

AND TRYING

AND NOW.

AND I'M never. GOING TO do it sgain.
AND JUST as soon.
AS I finish this.
I'M GOING down the street. TO SEE John D. Calais: AND ASK him, WHETHER HE'S got. ANY FLERCE Hard ones. AND I hope he has. I THANK you,

of the German submarine U-52 has the politest way of doing a disagree-able thing.

This is reported by Gustav Asmodt steward of the Norwegian tanker Christian Knudson, one of the sunk-Christian Andoson, one of the sun-en ships. The crew was brought in with others to Newport by American destroyers and came here yesterday, where they are sheltered at the Nor-wegian Stillers' Home.

"At 6:30 o'clock Sunday morning we were thirteen miles west of Nan

tucket lightship when held up."

"Nod, take your time, said the submarine captain. 'We are going away for a while to sink a British ship (the West Point). Lower your boats, put everything in them that you want to and stand off out of range. We will come back and after we sink your ship we will tow you to the lightship."

The Knudsen's crew lelaurely packed up everything they could put in small boats and rowed about a mile away. There they witnessed the destruction of their ship. "We waited for her to come and tow us," said Aamodt, "but she did

not, so after an hour we started to row to the lightship We got there at 6 p. m. As we neared the ship, the submarine came up, and the captain hailed us again.
"'Why didn't you wait?' he said;

'I told you we would tow you.'
"Captain Grotness said he thought

the submarine was too busy. "Oh, you need not have been a-fraid of that, shouled back the Ger-man. We would have taken you

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"IT'S TOO cold."
"TO DRINK anything. "THIS MORNING." AND HE'LL probably BE RIGHT.

TO BE A Pegal-Cola drinker. AND IN that case.

UNLESS HE hans

HE WOULD MY

"YOU BET I WILL "IT'S NEVER too cold.
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