

AUTUMN WHISPERS.

Tell It Not That Our Southland Is Proxy.

We Will Tell You About Many Important Happenings That Have Occurred During a Week.

VIRGINIA.

Nansmond farmers are busy digging potatoes.

The 63rd annual session of the Virginia Methodist Conference met at Fairview.

Convicts will be employed on Alexandria county roads.

A bridge will be built over the James river at Howardsville.

An electric car line is to be built from Hampton to Newport News.

The Presbyterian Synod of Virginia, 163rd session, is in session at Roanoke last week.

The Ironhoke furnace is again in blast and times are beginning to "look up" in Ingham.

Winchester is still without a mayor. Tuesday the council elected E. Holmes Conrad, a lawyer, but on account of other business he declined.

The damage suit of Joshua Fletcher, against the Richmond and Danville, in Prince William county, has been compromised by the plaintiff receiving \$1,750.

Several sample lots of sugar beets grown in Frederick county have been sent to the Agricultural Department at Washington for analysis. One lot grown by Capt. J. K. McCann showed 10.5 per cent of sugar.

The new sanitarium which is contemplated at Hot Springs, and which is to cost one hundred thousand dollars, will soon be begun.

Sunday was the fortieth anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. J. R. Graham, D. D., at the Kent-street Presbyterian church, Winchester.

Oney's bar-room at Wytheville was broken into by thieves a few nights ago and two or three hundred dollars' worth of fine-whiskies, brandies, etc., was stolen.

The Richlands Iron Co. decided at a recent meeting to raise additional capital for the purpose of building 50 coke ovens and opening new coal mines.

Gov. David B. Hill stopped at Richmond Monday en route to Atlanta. He was the guest of the Powhatan Club and at night addressed the Democrats of Richmond.

Mrs. Fannie M. Farren, aged seventy, was murdered at Cape Charles City Tuesday night by the clerk in her mercantile store. Robbery was the cause. The murderer, who is a young Pole, was arrested and confessed.

The wind at Cape Henry during the late gale reached a velocity of between seventy and eighty miles an hour, and then the instrument was blown away, so it could not be told how much more it reached.

The Fincastle Herald says it is reported that engineers of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad will as soon as they finish surveying the routes from New Castle to the Norfolk and Western begin to survey the route from Bessemer to Fincastle and from Fincastle to Salisbury.

A horrible accident occurred at Tannersville, not far from Greenville, Sunday night. A child of Levi Garner was left alone in a room with an open grate fire. The little one, hardly able to walk, climbed upon a chair near the fireplace and fell among the red-hot coals. When the little one's mother arrived a few minutes later the baby was dead and the body was rapidly roasting.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The colored North Carolina M. E. Conference met at Winston last week.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Agricultural Society was held at Raleigh Thursday night.

A stock company is being organized in Knoxville to develop a gold and silver mine in Watauga county.

President Harrison has appointed Geo. C. Sewlock, colored, postmaster at Fayetteville, vice David F. Wemyss, removed.

Burglars broke into the hardware store of Deany Brothers, at Reidsville, Tuesday night, stealing a lot of pistols, pocket knives, razors and shears.

C. W. Gallagher, of Edinboro, is organizing a company to build an electrical railroad from Shelby to the Cleveland springs.

Arthur Kesler and T. J. Mock, two Salisbury boys, on horse a State challenge for the championship of best pool players, twenty-one games to decide the contest.

The counties of Rabun, in Georgia, and Macon and Swain, in North Carolina, will, it is said, subscribe \$100,000 each and donate right of way to secure the building of the Cumberland Valley & Unaka Railway.

James M. Pendleton, secretary and treasurer of the Twin City Club, of Winston, and manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company at that place, has skipped, leaving his creditors in the lurch and carrying with him \$1,200 of the Club's moneys.

The Mauney sulphur mine, near King's Mountain, was extensively worked during the civil war. The attention of capitalists has recently been called to it, and this week experts have been sent to give it a thorough examination. Another sulphur deposit has recently been found in the same vicinity. As sulphur springs of celebrity in Cleveland county have long been visited by health seekers, it is not improbable that scientific experts may be able to find many more deposits of this mineral.

A novel emigrant train passed through Salisbury Wednesday en route from Virginia to Georgia. It contained W. M. Canady, his wife, seven children and his mother-in-law, and had much the appearance of the proverbial squatter team of 40 hastening Westward to the gold fields of California. Mr. Canady is just returning home from the late war, having enlisted in a Georgia regiment

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SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Beaufort Volunteer Artillery have donned new uniforms.

The name of the West End Bank at Greenville has been changed to the Planter's Bank.

The contract has been awarded for a bridge across the Saluda river at Chaplains.

Capt. Geo. D. Bryan has received the nomination for the mayoralty of Charleston on the Regular Democratic ticket.

Commodore Duncan Nathaniel Ingraham died at Charleston Friday morning.

Preparations for the annual State fair to be held in Columbia next month are in active progress now.

At Columbus Judge Aldrich refused the petition for a new trial in the case of the boy Wade Haynes, convicted of the murder of Miss Hornsby, and sentenced him to be hanged on the 11th of December.

Gen. Wade Hampton has written a letter to the press urging action to be taken in regard to raising money for a State exhibit at the World's Exposition, Chicago, He suggests the Texas plan.

The work on the Ashley River Railroad extension is progressing rapidly as it can with the one hundred and fifty laborers at work under skillful management.

Dr. Allard Memminger, of Charleston has just been awarded a gold medal and diploma by the Parisian Academy of France for a recent discovery of great merit. He has also been elected corresponding-honorary member of the Society.

The Railroad Commissioners held another meeting last week, and confirmed the recent reduction they have made in the freight rates upon cotton. The South Carolina, the Richmond and Danville, and the Atlantic Coast line Railroads will fight the cotton rates adopted by the commissioners. The rate fixed is 20 per cent. lower than ever before.

Two of the gentlemen interested in the Columbia companies are now in New York with the object of making a combination between the Gun and Wallace interests. It is also said that one of the largest merchants in Columbia was endeavoring to aid the movement and to enlist other representative Columbians in the design.

K. Pennington, of Lynchburg, twenty miles below Sumpter, was shot and killed at the depot at that place last Saturday night by Willie Phillips just after the arrival of the train from Sumpter. Phillips surrendered himself to Sheriff Carson and is now in jail.

Governor Tillman has received a letter from J. R. Planter, charge d'affaires for the United Netherlands at N. Y., in which he asks on behalf of the minister of foreign affairs at The Hague a copy of the election laws of the State, the machinery for a fair count, etc., etc. Private Secretary Tomkins has furnished the information.

There are more taxpayers under the internal revenue law in South Carolina than in Maine or West Virginia, and many other States, says the News and Courier, and but a small part of these are engaged in the liquor traffic. Indeed, in Maine, where its prohibitory laws, the liquor dealer is quite as numerous as in South Carolina. The following statement shows the number of special taxpayers in South Carolina under the internal revenue system: Rectifiers, 2; retail liquor dealers, 984; wholesale liquor dealers, 17; manufacturers of cigars, 12; dealers in manufactured tobacco, 7,531; manufacturers of tobacco, 3; peddlers of tobacco, 1; brewers, 14; retail dealers in malt liquors, 14; wholesale dealers in malt liquors, 11; total special taxpayers, 8,576. It is of sufficient interest to note the fact that this small army of taxpayers contribute over \$40,000 a year to keep the government in smooth running order. The specific sums paid by each line of business are as follows: Rectifiers \$108,333; retail liquor dealers \$21,323.16; wholesale liquor dealers \$1,750; manufacturers of cigars \$87; dealers in manufactured tobacco \$15,730.25; manufacturers of tobacco \$24; peddlers of tobacco \$15; brewers \$100; retail dealers in malt liquors \$289.99; wholesale dealers in malt liquors \$595.84; total \$40,017.57.

At the "New Capital."

A company composed of Northern men and Ocala capitalists has purchased the property of the Ocala Co., of Ocala, Fla., which includes the Ocala House and 20,000 lots. An electric car line and Boulevard is to be constructed from Silver Springs to Ocala and extended to the West end. The Ocala House is to be made four stories high by the addition of another story. The new company will be known as the Ocala & Silver Springs Co., capital stock \$10,000,000. Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, ex-governor of Maine, is president.

Shot Dead by His Mule.

[From the Memphis Appeal-Advance.] JACKSON, TENN.,—C. N. Hammond, living two miles south of this city, heard a noise at his barn, and thinking that a thief was about, took his pistol and went out. It is thought he went near a mule, which kicked him, causing the pistol to go off. The ball passing through his body. He lived but a few hours and died without ever speaking.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

"The Logic of the Alliance" From An Illinois Standpoint.

"A Sunday Reflection" in Alliance Circles at Raleigh, N. C.—The Duty of Patriots.

The Illinois Alliance, Springfield, says: In its summing up of the "Logic of the Alliance," in its Saturday issue, the Globe-Democrat makes the mistake that is usual with it when considering Alliance matters. It is true as the Globe-Democrat asserts that the "Alliance was organized upon the theory that the depression then existing in agriculture was due to certain political influences," but it is not true, as it assumes, that a possible temporary return of prosperity caused by the misfortune of the farmers is the only thing that will deprive the Alliance of any further necessity for being.

While this assumption is a very comfortable one for those who have in the past enjoyed the fruits of the farmer's toil, it is an insult to the farmers themselves. It implies that the farmers are contemptibly childish in their thoughts, and hence, that their organization, instead of being a logical protest against wrong conditions which might be righted by organized effort, was simply a childish kick against conditions which were perfectly natural.

The Alliance is not a protest against the fruits of those rapacious greed, but a protest against a deplorable condition of things under which farmers have not only been legally robbed of the fruits of their past toil, but under a continuation of which, even the increased prosperity which will come to this country by reason of foreign crop failure will be principally gathered by the sameing of fortunes of those rapacious greed. The farmers have heretofore been the victims. Already transportation companies everywhere are increasing their freight charge, not because a fair profit demands the increased rate, but simply because "the traffic will bear it."

Already whispered word comes from the East that "stocks of all kinds are advancing" because of the mighty inflow of gold invoked by the enormous foreign sales of American farm products. Already the "commercial and manufacturing outlook has vastly improved" because the toil of our farmers has been rewarded by good crops. And in the fact that the "dollar Congress" has been succeeded by a prolific session in agriculture, partisan organs, whose collar brand is the same as the Globe-Democrat, find inspiration to say that "there isn't much room for mourning after all."

All things taken together show that all the forces which have heretofore bled the farmers from the stock growers down to the little seven by nine partisans have already discounted the prosperity likely to come from the unusual conditions surrounding our farmers. It is not alone because farmers have suffered and starved that they have organized, but it is because they have suffered and starved undeservedly. It is because while they have suffered, others have thriven and grown fat from tribute exacted from them without reason or mercy. And it is because these tribute takers are under the protective wing of the same "political influences" which sheltered them when the Alliance was organized that will continue to exist. Its mission is one of justice.

Its promoters are men of brains, not idiots. It will cease to be only when the causes which gave it being shall have disappeared, and that will be when "political influences" are robbed of their power to create "agricultural depression."

A SUNDAY REFLECTION.

The following is an extract from the Raleigh Progressive Farmer, (President Polk's paper):

"The more we read of the underlying principles of the Alliance the more we see in the spirit of the Order something to admire. It is declared 'we aim to elevate men by blending together more intimately the ties of brotherhood and humanity in social life, thus dissolving prejudice and selfishness in the sunlight of human love.'"

This is a sermon in a nutshell and no sentiments are more noble or commendable. Whenever any member of the Alliance seeks to breed prejudice and to implant hate and distrust against that Order or its officers by downright lying and slander, he is unworthy of respect. "He is untrue to the underlying teachings of his Order."

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That there is bitterness and intense feeling between certain would-be Democratic bosses and the Alliance, cannot be denied; but it cannot be denied that these bosses and their slanderous tools—the narrow minded editors of certain papers, are to blame for this state of things. Yet you may take the average farmer by the hand and appeal to his manhood, to his sense of justice and honor, to his patriotism and you may lead him, but then you tell him that he is a fool, that he shall do your bidding and shall crouch at the feet of corrupt, dictatorial power, ninety-nine times out of a hundred you will get a fight on your hands.

The teachings and principles and sentiments of the Alliance are "noble" and "commendable." The Alliance wants peace. It wants justice. It wants only an open field and an equal chance with others in the race of life. But we serve notice now upon the politicians and states of this country that "if nothing will do them but war, they can have it to the knife and the knife to the hilt." There are one hundred thousand men in North Carolina as good citizens, as ever honored the name of any State, who intend to be heard in defense of their homes, their families, their rights and their liberties. They are not to be de-

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THE WILL TO BE CONTESTED.

The Grounds for Contesting the Will of the Widow of President Polk.

NASHVILLE, TENN., [Special].—When the will of Mrs. Polk, widow of President James K. Polk, was admitted to probate recently it was found that Mrs. Polk had left the Polk place to Mrs. G. W. Fall, her niece, had resided with Mrs. Polk, at the Polk Place, for many years.

It was soon understood that the will would be contested, and the expected struggle to retain possession of the Polk place on the part of Mrs. Fall, and the determination on the part of the consanguineous heirs of President Polk, was begun by the filing of a bill in the chancery court at Nashville by the Polk heirs through their attorney.

The bill recites at length the provisions of President Polk's will and the will given by his widow, Mrs. Sarah Polk, and gives the names and locations of between forty and fifty heirs to the property.

The bill declares Mrs. Fall refuses to leave the premises, and the complainants ask that a receiver be appointed who shall take possession of the place and collect rents, pay taxes and take care of the property on the ground that G. W. Fall is insolvent, and rents cannot be collected from this estate.

The bill states that Mrs. Fall's claim to the property is based upon the residuary clause of the will of the dead president, by which, in case his will does not go into operation, Mrs. Polk would come into possession, and, as Mrs. Polk left everything to Mrs. Fall, the defendants claim that she is the rightful heir to the Polk place.

This will form the basis of the contest of the contest in the suit which, owing to the prominence of the parties interested, will agitate the social surface.

HIS PATIENCE REWARDED.

A Man Grows Rich and Gets Married at Last.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., [Special].—The marriage of John Ring, aged seventy, of Cabell county, and Miss Mary Donnan, aged twenty, of St. Albans, is somewhat romantic. An old friend of the aged groom says that Ring was at one time in love with Miss Donnan's mother, but on account of his then comparative poverty was forced to see her married and won by her present husband. He remained true in his feeling, however, and when his present bride was a little girl became much attached to her. In appearance so much like her mother, the old gentleman found in her childish affection a solace for the loss of her mother's love. As the girl grew to womanhood the old gentleman became a wealthy man, and when he sought the hand of Miss Donnan a short time ago found the mother a ready helper in the match. The groom has just purchased a farm near the Donnan home and will enjoy his last days in the sunlight of the smiles of his young bride.

SHABBY TEN-CENT PIECES.

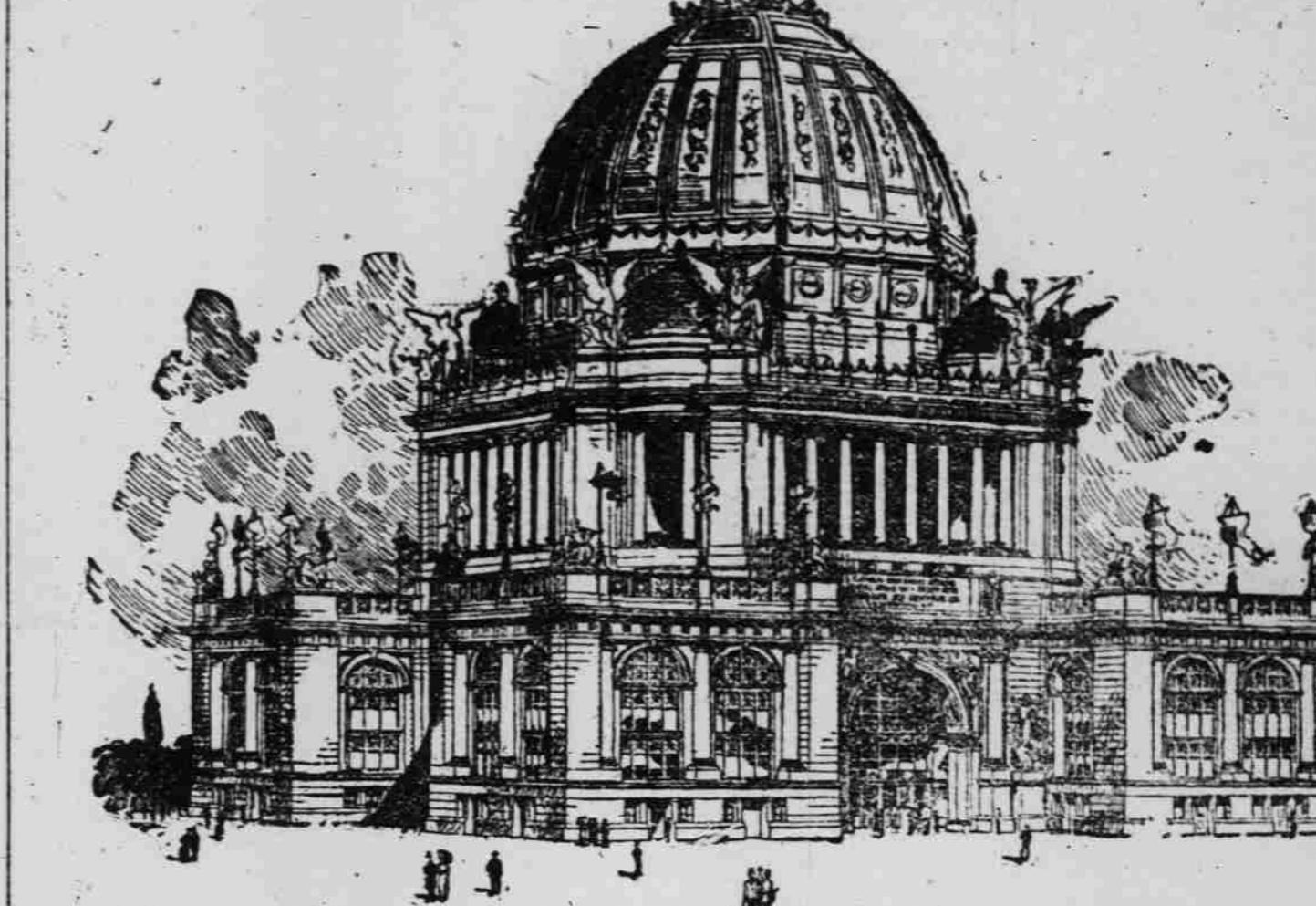
They Are Genuine, But Some Counterfeits Look Better.

St. Louis, Mo., [Special].—The New Orleans Mint will have to stop coining dimes with the dies now in use or many innocent citizens will be placed behind the bars. Henry Jost was arrested here on last Saturday on a charge of passing counterfeit dimes, but, on being brought before United States Commissioner Crawford, he was released on the evidence of Money Expert McCullough, who pronounced the dimes of legal issue, but cast with imperfect dies. The suspicious point about the coin is the rough rim that remained on the edge.

Carried by Lotteryites.

A New Orleans special says at a meeting of the State Central Democratic Committee a motion providing for the construction of a committee of credentials was carried by a vote of 39 lottery to 38 anti-lottery votes, chairman Lanier, anti-lottery, not voting.

WORLD'S FAIR DEPARTMENT BUILDING.



This building is the gem of all the architectural jewels of the Exposition. Constructed of material to last two years it will cost \$650,000. Although it covers space but 250 feet square, yet it is one of the noblest achievements of modern architecture. It will occupy the most commanding position on the Exposition grounds. The building consists of four pavilions, 84 feet square, one at each of the four angles of the square of the plan, and connected by a great central dome, 120 feet in diameter and 260 feet high. In the center of each facade is a recess, 93 feet wide, within which is a grand entrance to the building. The first story is in the Doric order, of heavy proportions. The second story, with its lofty colonnade, is in the Ionic order. Externally, the design is divided into three principal stages. The first stage consists of the four pavilions, corresponding in height with the buildings grouped about, which are 65 feet high. The second stage is of the same height, and is a continuation of the central rotunda, which is 175 feet square. The third stage is the base of the great dome, 46 feet high and octagonal in form, and the dome itself, rising in graceful lines, richly ornamented with heavily moulded ribs and sculptured panels, and having a large glass skylight. The interior effects will be even more gorgeous than the exterior, resplendent with carvings, sculptures and immense paintings.

be one purpose and one common effort in this mighty struggle to rescue the country and our government from the iron grasp of monopoly.

Alliance men, be temperate in language. Be calm. Be firm. Do your own thinking. Act on your convictions of duty. Wear no man's collar. Reach your conclusions with due deliberation and stand by them. Be a man.

President Polk will deliver an address at Albemarle Park Fair, Elizabeth City, N. C., on Thursday, the 29th of October. A friend writes that such a crowd as will be there on that day has never been seen in Eastern North Carolina.

A grand Alliance rally was held at Spring Lake Park, Talladega, Fla., on the 24th of September. A number of prominent Alliance speakers were present.

The State meeting of Kentucky will be held at Elizabethtown, Nov. 10, 1891. The Granville, N. C., brethren held a picnic at Stallon on the 15th of October. Hon. A. H. A. Williams and Rev. P. H. Massey both delivered interesting addresses.

Marion Butler, President of the North Carolina State Farmers' Alliance, was one of the converts at a religious revival at Clinton last week.

The Michigan Farmers' Alliance was in session at Lansing last week. Nearly 1,500 delegates attended.

MORE IRREGULARITIES.

Hoey's Crookedness Coming to Light. He May be Arrested.

NEW YORK CITY, [Special].—Henry Sanford, the newly elected president of the Adams Express Company, has started a thorough investigation into the affairs of the company. The examination thus far is said to have revealed irregularities, though to no great extent.

Vice-President Lovejoy says that misappropriations have been found other than the Sherbourne-Taft deal. There is no telling what the future will develop, and it will be some time next week before the facts will be made known. The company is not sufficient to affect the standing of the company it would have before this become apparent, as the money was taken so long ago.

Mr. Sanford refused to say whether Hoey and Spooner would be arrested, but said it would be left to the ex-president and company to determine the most effective means of securing the misappropriated funds.

BISHOP OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Dr. Phillips Brooks Consecrated Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese.

Boston, Mass.—With services solemn and impressive as have ever been witnessed in the city, Dr. Phillips Brooks, rector of Trinity church, was made bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts.

The audience was a notable one. The bishops present were Right Rev. John Williams, of Connecticut, presiding bishop of the American church; Right Rev. T. M. Clark and Right Rev. H. B. Whipple, bishop respectively of the dioceses of Rhode Island and Minnesota; Bishops A. N. Littlejohn of Long Island, and W. C. Doane of Albany, and Right Rev. C. H. Potter of New York. There were also about one hundred and sixty clergy of Massachusetts and two hundred and sixty-five lay delegates. Bishop Potter preached the consecration sermon.

HER EARS CUT OFF.

A Woman Has the Alternative of Losing Life or Her Ears.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—Fred Kempton, an escaped convict went to the house of a woman in Lexington county who had been instrumental in securing his prosecution and conviction for assault and battery. He intended to kill her, tied her up and told her that he would either cut her throat or chop off her ears, and that she might choose. The woman decided to lose her ears and the rescinded her consent. He then cut off her ears and left her in the house.

The Cleveland's daughter Ruth, a name.

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