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EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA DRAINAGE ASSOCIATION, BELHAVEN, N. C., NOVEMBER 30TH AND DECEMBER 1ST, 1915.

There will be held at Belhaven, Beaufort county, North Carolina, on November 30th and December 1st, 1915, one of the most important conventions that has been held in the State during the past year. This is the "Eight Annual Drainage Convention", which will be held under the auspices of the North Carolina Drainage Association and the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey. More progress has probably been made in drainage work throughout the swamp and overflowed areas of North Carolina during the past year than in any year since the passage of the North Carolina drainage law. Questions of very importance in connection with the drainage work of the State will be taken up and discussed at this convention. Those attending this meeting will have an opportunity to visit the Lake Mattamuskeet Drainage District, which is not only the largest drainage project in the State but is also the most unique drainage proposition which has been undertaken in the South. This work is nearing completion and the delegates will have a splendid opportunity to see what drainage can accomplish in reclaiming swamp areas and making more productive lands already under cultivation. Delegates will be in attendance from nearly all the counties

in Eastern North Carolina and very many of the Piedmont counties where the people are interested in the reclamation of overflowed lands. All citizens interested in the reclamation of these swamp and overflowed areas, whether from the standpoint of health or of increasing their value as agriculture lands, are cordially invited to attend and take part in the proceedings.

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THE BOYS WHO WON.

The first applicant for the position of office boy at Barclay & Hinman's was not attractive in appearance. His nose was crooked and his mouth was big. His jacket was too large and his trousers too long. There were holes in his stockings and his shoes were not brushed.

"What is your name?" asked the man at the desk.

"Martin Barry, sir."

"Where do you live?"

"No. 10, Veteran Court."

Veteran Court boys were not in demand. Martin was dismissed.

As he passed out into the street he spied a crumpled bit of green in a step corner. It was a dollar bill. He put it in his pocket and went back into the store. For an hour Mr. Hinman was busy with boys. Martin waited. As soon as the last applicant had gone, he approached the desk.

"Did you lose this?" he asked.

The merchant ran through his pockets and said:

"I must have," he decided, "for I had one when I came in. Where did you find it?"

Martin told him.

Mr. Hinman eyed him keenly, and recognized him as the first applicant.

"Have you had any experience as office boy?" was the query.

"No, sir."

"Suppose I should hire you and should want something done that you didn't know how to do?"

Martin looked straight at the questioner. "I'd do it the best I could, sir and the next time perhaps I'd do it better." The position was his.

"I knew," said Mr. Hinman in relating to the story, "that boy who would return a dollar to a man whom he had every reason to dislike, and wait patiently a whole hour to give it to him, was too honest and faithful a boy for us to miss. I'd trust Martin Barry with a million dollars."--Ex.

NEVER AGAIN.

(Everybody's Magazine.)

A Brockville man, who has a home in Scotland, to which he returns in the winter, bought an expensive fur cap in this country to give to his gamekeeper. Two years ago last winter he took it over and presented it to the old man, who was delighted with it.

The cap was very serviceable, having flaps that came down over the ears, and would wear about a lifetime. The next winter the American returned to Scotland and noticed to his surprise that the old man did not wear the fur cap.

"What is the matter with the cap I gave you last winter?" he asked.

"I haven't worn it since the accident," replied the old gamekeeper.

The man from Brockville pondered.

"You didn't write me concerning any accident," he said.

"No," mused the gamekeeper. "A man offered me a glass of whiskey and I didn't hear him."

THEIR ONLY BED BELONGS TO HER, SAYS WIFE.

Sunbury, Pa., Nov. 11.--Because his wife, after numerous quarrels, left him, Charles F. Bowman caused an advertisement to be published in a Sunbury newspaper, reading:--

"My wife, Helen, having left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby give notice that I will not pay any bills contracted by her."

Contradicting him, Mrs. Bowman tonight printed the following advertisement in the place where her husband's notice appeared the night before:--

"I, Helen Bowman, did not leave the bed of my husband, Charles F. Bowman. We only had one bed and that belonged to me."

The woman says she will sue for divorce.

ONLY ONE CHICKEN SWAM, MANY DROWN.

Newton, Nov. 12.--A laughable incident occurred yesterday afternoon when the northbound Carolina and Northwestern passenger train was swinging around the curves of the serpentine track between Lincoln and Maiden, in this county, when a coop of chicken in the express car answered the motions of the car in such a way that it flew out the broad side door and lit in a creek, breaking open and liberating all the shipment save one unlucky hen, which was drowned. The train was stopped and backed to the scene of disaster but only an empty coop and a dead fowl were retrieved. The remainder of the shipment had gone squawking indignantly into the woods, and as the crew could not take time to round them up, the train proceeded northward while the passengers laughed pleasantly over an unusual event in railroading.

WHISKEY IN COFFINS.

Officers and Employees of Coffin Factory Indicted for Shipping Whiskey.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 12.--The Federal Court grand jury today returned indictments against T. C. Betterton, police commissioner of Chattanooga and general manager of the Tennessee Coffin & Casket Co., on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the Government and shipping liquor without proper branding.

C. L. Mylrs, Frank Fox and A. G. Smith, employees of Betterton's coffin company, are jointly indicted with the commissioner.

The indictments grew out of the shipment of various quantities of whiskey concealed in coffins from the defendant's factory. The defendant's except Fox were arraigned and the cases will probably come up for trial at the present term of the court. Fox is reported sick.

BREAKS JAIL TO SEE 22ND WIFE.

Georgia Negro Just Had to Visit His Latest Mate.

(Thomasville, Ga. Dispatch.) Malachi Jenkins is a Thomas county negro who confesses to having entered the matrimonial state just twenty-two times. Malachi's latest mate lives in Lowndes county, and being anxious to see her again and weary of the separation, he broke jail here and made his way to her home.

Suspecting him of having returned to his family the police went on a still hunt for Jenkins and found him enjoying the society of his newest wife. Jenkins was in jail here charged with a misdemeanor and is now in his old cell, where he probably will have to remain for some time longer.

METHODIST MINISTER KILLED ON HIGHWAY.

Rev. George Sweatt Victim of Unknown Assailant.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 9.--Rev. Geo. Sweatt, a Wesleyan Methodist minister, was shot and instantly killed by an unknown assailant last night near Hamlet, N. C., says a special from that place. He was driving out from Hamlet to his home, several miles distant, alone. A Mr. Batchelor and a negro driver who had been stopped by a man at the point where the body was found with a bullet through the heart, on hearing shots, returned and made the find. The coroner has begun an investigation, but has made no report.

BRYAN'S SUBBLES.

The plan which the President proposes is not only a departure from our traditions, but a reversal of our national policy. It is not only a menace to our peace and safety, but a challenge to the spirit of Christianity which teaches us to influence others by example rather than by exciting fear--Mr. Bryan's Reply.

Speaking of labor lost, how about their series of sermons which a California pastor is preaching, urging women to do the proposing? Haven't they been doing it, in one way or another, from the time whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary?

POSSE SEARCHING FOR CHILD'S ASSAILANT.

Negro May be Lynched For Attempted Outrage on Four-Year-Old Girl.

Kinston, N. C., Nov. 11.--Duplin county posse is searching for "Crum" Sutherland, 18 years old, colored, who, yesterday attempted to criminally assault a four-year old daughter, of D. Smith. The child's mother, attracted by screams discovered the negro with the girl in a corn crib. A reliable report says that if Sutherland is captured he will probably be lynched.

MURDERED HIS WIFE AND COMMITTED SUICIDE

Richmond Real Estate Man Enacted Double Tragedy in New York Hotel.

New York, Nov. 11.--H. Carl Rupert, a real estate and bond broker of Richmond, Va., shot and instantly killed his wife and then killed himself in an uptown hotel today. From a diary left by Rupert, describing his movements in the last few days the police learned that the couple had frequent quarrels. A note book, containing the names of persons in Richmond, was found among Rupert's effects.

You can cultivate talent but you cannot create genius.

TAKES SUPPER AT NEGRO HOTEL.

Once upon a time there was a veritable cyclone of condemnation raised in the Democratic papers, when President Roosevelt, in a reception at the White House, had among his guests Booker T. Washington, a prominent negro representative of his race. It was a miscellaneous gathering and looked upon as an informal function in every sense of the term. The News and Observer, the Democratic organ of this State, let loose a flood of its "pokeberry juice" to spread the information and make it more impressive.

However, the other day, President Wilson and his fiancée, motored to Harper's Ferry, a distance of some 70 miles, in the rain, purposely to take dinner at a negro hotel. Of course a child went down the back of the Democrats, and especially Secretary of the Navy, Daniels, who is owner of the Raleigh, N. C., organ and was editor at the time of the Booker T. Washington episode.

There is cause of protest, but what is the use?

It is President Wilson now who rules the roost.--Union Republican.

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