

LITTLE SNAPS.

Bald-Headed Man. "I can't find words to express my indignation at an insult I received this Christmas..."

The Carnegie idea seems to be that a public library covers a multitude of blow-holes. -New York World.

No, Angeline, the weather forecast man can hardly be termed a storm center. -Buffalo Courier.

"This old fellow," said the tea-salter, fondly patting his horse on the neck, "has been hauling for the city for twenty-five years."

"Got a pull, I suppose," sneered the Mugwump gentleman. -Indianapolis Journal.

"Cholly didn't have much luck with that Boston girl." "No. She froze him with her glances."

"Then he is in a bad way?" "No, he was thrashed out by an old flame." -New York Press.

"I'm afraid," said the rural Justice, "that I shall be compelled to fine you \$10 and cost."

"But, your honor, the evidence proves that I am innocent." "I know it," replied the Justice, "but, my friend, I've got a family to support!" -Atlanta Constitution.

"No," said the college professor of literature, "I haven't read a novel in five years. I am not very fond of scientific discussions or treatises on physiology or pathology." -Boston Transcript.

Wearily Willie - "Wot do dey mean des novelists, w'en dey say, 'He was in seventh heaven?'"

"Yes, his wife took in washing and his mother plain sewing." -Buffalo Courier.

"The Dixes had to give up their flat; there was no closet." "They had a wardrobe." "Yes, but the family skeleton kicked on it." -St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Persimmons are ripe and plentiful about Independence, and there is hardly a boy in town who can call a dog. -Topeka State Journal.

Bad breaks are inadvisable as a rule, but skaters should remember they are to be particulars avoided on thin ice, especially on Sunday.

Columbia didn't score even one point. The Tar Heels are the people. The crusty Tillmanites didn't even amuse our boys. Muddy canal water will not mix with pure N. C. mountain dew.

Atlanta suffered the loss of one of her most historic landmarks yesterday, it being the old capital building owned by the Venable Brothers. The loss will probably amount to \$175,000. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

The storms prevailed throughout the country Wednesday. The wind, rain and extreme cold and freeze in North Carolina was bad, indeed, but nothing to compare with the terrifying wave that swept over western New York, the North Atlantic coast and the regions of the Great Lakes. Thousands of people are snowed under, trains have been derailed and delayed and property destroyed to an enormous amount. We who live in this glorious Southland are blessed, even though we do not have sunshine at all times.

committee cannot be too rough on such fellows. -St. Joe Herald. From December 1 to December 16, over 3,000 drafts to Ireland were issued by Mr. Patrick Donohoe's agency, aggregating over \$50,000. This indicates that the young Irish in this country do not forget the old folks in the Emerald Isle when Christmas comes around. -Boston Post.

The fact that two New England cotton companies have decided to build large mills in the South, is a significant recognition of the advantage of manufacturing the staple product of the Southern states where it is grown. -New York Herald.

Hypnotism is cutting quite an extensive figure in crime now a days. In Munich a man has been sentenced to three years in prison for exerting this peculiar influence over a wealthy woman and compelling her to marry him. In Wellington, Kan., a man has confessed to the murder of another man, but says he was influenced by the hypnotist to commit the deed while hypnotized by another man who wanted to get his victim out of the way because the latter had testified against him in a legal transaction. Cases of this character are bobbing up in every quarter of the globe. It is a very easy crime, and worthless as well. -Troy (N. Y.) Press.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. Japan Has Whipped China, But Is Not Inclined to Be Extinct. London, Dec. 29. -The Japanese government has made no response to the English suggestions from the British government that the terms upon which Japan is willing to treat for peace with China ought to be communicated to the powers. On the contrary the Japanese have persisted in maintaining a policy of reticence. The British minister at Tokyo has been unable to get the slightest scrap of official information on the subject of the conditions on which Japan will contend, and the Japanese embassy in London is equally secretive. The latter, it is true, has some knowledge of the situation, but it is partly of a negative and partly of a positive character. The Embassy is free, however, in disregarding the recent cable attacks on Japan the design of forcing an alliance with China against the European powers. The leading principal of the peace negotiations between the two empires, as far as Japan is concerned, will be a total abstention from any demand which would give China an excuse to ask for European intervention. Japan, therefore, will not stipulate for any territorial or commercial acquiescence in which the other powers are interested. For most will be taken by Japan as part of a pledge for war indemnity and certain Chinese ports that are not treaty ports will be held as a pledge for the remainder of the indemnity together with Shalien upon the Chinese customs as will not prejudice the customs revenues already mortgaged. In regard to Korea, it is probable that a China Japanese dual control over that country will be proposed.

The terms, which are divulged by the Japanese embassy, are a great deal more moderate than those described in the sensational cables grams received here from Tokyo and elsewhere and have the stamp of belief in diplomatic circles.

Sullivan bought a goat, for which he paid \$5. Shortly after he received a tax bill on the goat of \$8. He called on Rafferty, the assessor, and said: "Why do you tax me \$8 on my goat when I paid but \$5 for him?" "Well," said Rafferty, "I have carefully read what the statutes say, and it reads: 'Whoever owns property a butting on the street shall be taxed \$2 a running foot.'" -Shoe and Leather Reporter.

The regular meeting of Cabarrus Council 1205 Royal Arcanum, at Masonic Hall Tuesday evening, Jan. 1st, 1895, at 7 o'clock. The installation of newly elected officers will take place. A full attendance is desired. J. I. HARTSELL, Regent. W. G. BOSHAMER, Secty. Dec. 31st, 1894.

Irish Bitch, between Concord and Catholic church on Gold Hill. A liberal reward will be given for her return to Dr. L. M. Abbey or David Earnhardt.

SNOW SLEET AND RAIN. In All Parts of the Country Vegetation Killed in Florida. -Cleveland. Brought the Snow to South Carolina. Shelbyville, Ind., Dec. 28. -Yesterday evening Wm. Leavitt, accompanied by Minnie Maple and Susie Michel, started from their home, four miles south of here, to attend a party ten miles distant. On returning the party became lost in the woods, being unacquainted with the roads. This morning at 2 o'clock County Commissioner Henry Oltman, who lives in the southern part of the county, was awakened, being to the door he met Leavitt, who was so cold he could hardly explain what was the matter. Finally Oltman was made to understand and they went out to the buggy. Both the young ladies were unable to speak and were unconscious. They were carried to the house and everything done to restore them to consciousness but up to 10 o'clock this morning all efforts had proved futile. Should they regain consciousness, amputation of their limbs will be necessary. They are of prominent families.

A Cold Wave Strikes Florida. Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 28. -The cold wave has struck Florida and a dispatch to the Times-Union indicates that it will prove a record-breaker. At nearly all points in South Florida the thermometer is below freezing at 11 o'clock tonight. Great damage is feared to orange and vegetable crops. At 11 o'clock at Jacksonville the thermometer stood at 19 above. It will be several days before the damage to frosts and vegetables can be estimated.

Frozen to Death. New Philadelphia, O., Dec. 28. -Last night a supposed tramp entered the Canal Diver Rolling Mill in an almost frozen state. He was ejected by the night watchman. In the morning there was found a white haired man, apparently 60 years of age, lying cold in death on the front of the shop. "E. F. D." marked on his shirt was all the identification that could be learned.

Peekskill, N. Y., Dec. 28. -Jas. H. Robertson, a brother of Senator Geo. W. Robertson, was found in the road near the Gospel Mission in the seventh year early this morning, apparently frozen to death. He was once a prominent citizen, and mayor of Peekskill for several terms. He had been addicted to drink of late, and it is supposed he was under the influence of liquor last night. A widow and three children survive him.

Intense Cold in Columbia. Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28. -It began snowing here at daylight this morning but by the time 3 o'clock fell, the weather cleared and with a brisk northwest breeze became rapidly colder, and tonight is such a one that has been experienced but once in 20 years. The mercury at midnight stands at 12 degrees above zero and is falling steadily.

Snow Falls After Grover's Visit. Charleston, Dec. 28. -The News and Courier's special from Georgetown, S. C., says: It commenced to snow here this afternoon and continues to snow and sleet with strong northwest wind blowing. The town is robed in white tonight and it is growing colder.

Four Above Zero in Tennessee. Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 28. -Intense cold prevails throughout East Tennessee Valley. The thermometer ranged from 6 to 14 above zero during the day. At 11 o'clock tonight the mercury is down to 4, and zero will be reached before morning.

The Greatest State in the South. It is not what Mr. Ralph says about Charleston, and says so charmingly, of which we would complain so much as in what he says about North Carolina and its great industrial strides. Read the Charleston half of his article and then read the North Carolina half - look on this picture, then on this - and the reader would think that North Carolina had passed far beyond its sister State in all its lines of industrial development.

North Carolina is, in fact, the greatest State in the South, but is not so much bigger all round than South Carolina as Mr. Ralph would have found out had he been supplied with a handbook showing the natural advantages of South Carolina.

For Over Fifty Years Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, opens the gums, allays all pain, cures whooping-cough, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poorest little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

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Speculation, Stock and Bond Brokers. 130 & 132 Pearl Street, NEW YORK CITY, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds and Grain bought and sold, or carried on Margin. P. S. - Send for explanatory circular on speculation, also weekly market letter. (Free.)

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TREASURY EXHIBIT. The Receipts of Four Months of the Year Ending One-Half the Gold Recoup Already Gone. Washington, D. C., Dec. 29. -The first six months of the current fiscal year (four months of which have come under the operations of the new tariff law) gives more indications of what may reasonably be expected in the months to come, after the new tariff law has become effective in all its multitudinous details. The receipts for the six months have aggregated \$189,500,000, and the expenditures in the same time have been \$188,000,000, an excess of expenditures over receipts of \$1,500,000. For the corresponding period of last fiscal year the excess of expenditures over receipts was \$28,000,000. Less than \$2,500,000 have been received from the newly imposed duty on sugar, which first appears in any appreciable amount, in this month's receipts. Nothing of course, has been received from the income tax, which does not go into effect until January 1, 1895. An annual revenue of \$55,000,000 or more is anticipated, will eventually be derived from these two sources, which will bring the receipts for the balance of the fiscal year up to Secretary Carlisle's estimate as submitted to Congress. December receipts show an increase over November, of \$2,500,000, and November showed a slight increase over October, indicating that business is adjusting itself to settled tariff rates.

Of the receipts for December \$11,350,000 come from customs duties - an increase of \$1,000,000 over the November receipts, from this source. The expenditures for December were \$3,000,000 less than for November.

Half the New Gold Coin. Against this gratifying exhibit is to be set off the fact that the gold reserve continues to decline. At the close of business in the Treasury today it stood at \$86,319,528, implying a loss of \$500,000 for the day and a total loss since the gold reserve was recouped by the last issue of bonds of nearly \$26,000,000.

Penion Clerks Dismissed. About ninety employees of the census office were today given notice of their dismissal to take effect on the 31st instant. This action was necessary on account of the completion of the work in the bureau's where they were employed.

Sundown Doctors Downed. The Commissioner of Pensions today issued an order that prevent clerks in the bureau who are physicians from practicing medicine after office hours. In this branch of the government service, as well as in others, there are a number of graduated physicians who attend patients after office hours and are known as "sundown doctors."

The order states that if any clerk or employee of the Pension Bureau shall attend patients as a physician or medical adviser, it will be regarded as sufficient ground for relieving him from further service in the bureau. The danger of bringing contagious diseases to the other clerks and employees and allowing such diseases to spread in the community is obvious; and has been manifested in the recent cases. Moreover, a calling, which is likely to require clerks and employees to be up at night and to demand their prompt attention at all times, is regarded as inconsistent with the proper discharge of their duties in the bureau.

The issuing of the order was caused by a negro doctor named Johnson, employed in the bureau attending a small-pox case, for which he was suspended.

White no official notification has yet been issued, it is almost certain that a similar order will be made including the entire Interior Department; not only physicians, but those who engage in any outside work of any other character.

This course will not apply to employees pursuing studies at night.

Notice is hereby given of the seizure of the following property, for violation of Internal Revenue laws of the United States, supposed to be the property of John Carter: One horse, 1 wagon and harness. Nineteen boxes tobacco. Two empty boxes. One keg whiskey. Three jugs.

Any person claiming said property is hereby notified to appear before the undersigned at his office in Asheville, N. C. within thirty (30) days from the date hereof and make such claim in the form and manner prescribed by law or the property will be declared forfeited to the United States.

M. E. CARTER, Collector, 5th District, N. C. By R. S. Harris, Deputy Collector, Concord, Dec. 22, 1894.

Other Earthquakes in Sicily. Rome, Dec. 27. -Sicily has suffered from severe earthquakes in the last 24 hours and much damage is reported to have been done. Messina and Milazzo felt the shocks most keenly.

By authority of two mortgages executed by A. G. White and wife to A. C. Scott, one on the 13th day of January 1895, the other on the 22nd of February 1895, I, with an executor of A. C. Scott, dec'd, on Thursday, the 30th day of January 1895, at the court house door in Concord, N. C., at public sale to the highest bidder, the lands as described in the above mentioned mortgages.

T. F. PHARR, Executor of A. C. Scott's estate. Nov. 17th, 1894. Notice to Supervisors, Road Overseers and Road Hands.

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DUKE CIGARETTES. High Grade Tobacco ABSOLUTELY PURE. DUKE DURHAM CIGARETTES. MADE FROM High Grade Tobacco AND ABSOLUTELY PURE.

COURT NOTICE. On the Superior Court, Paul B. Means, Plf. Court, Cabarrus County, S. C., vs. J. S. Cores, Deft. The defendant above named will take notice that the plaintiff above named has issued a summons, returnable to the next term of this court to be held for the county of Cabarrus, at the court house in Concord, on the 1st Monday before the 1st Monday in March, 1895, against the defendant above named and that the plaintiff has applied for and obtained a warrant of attachment against the property of the defendant, in said action, returnable at said time and place.

In said writ and warrant of attachment the plaintiff above named claims that the defendant above named is indebted to the plaintiff in the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars (\$375), with interest for legal advice and services and other reasonable charges, which will be added to the amount of the debt, unless he appear at said time and place and plead, answer or demur to the plaintiff's complaint, which will be filed on the 1st day of the Clerk of this Court within the first three days of said term, the plaintiff will apply to this court for the relief demanded in the complaint and warrant of attachment in this action.

This, October 16th, 1894. JAS. O. GIBSON, Clerk Superior Court.

FLUTEY'S SALE OF LAND. By virtue of a mortgage or deed of trust executed to me, Wm. King, by Moses Meemer and wife Elizabeth Meemer, on the 18th day of February, 1895, and recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Cabarrus county, North Carolina, I will sell for cash at public auction at the court house door in Concord at 1 o'clock p. m., on Monday, the 7th day of January, 1895, that certain parcel of land situated at Pioneer Mills, said county, adjoining the lands of John A. Barnhardt and others, containing forty one acres more or less, the meter and boundaries of which are fully given in said mortgage and also the following personal property, viz: one dark colored horse male; one roan horse; one red milk cow.

BLAIR KING, Trustee. This Nov. 20th, 1894.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as administrator of Mrs. Rianna Snow, deceased, all persons owing said estate are hereby notified that they must make immediate payment or suit will be brought; and all persons having claims against said estate must present them to the undersigned duly authenticated on or before the 30th day of November, 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

ELIAM KING, Administrator. This, December 22, 1894.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having been duly appointed and qualified administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Plot, deceased, and persons holding claims against said estate must present them to the undersigned duly authenticated on or before the 30th day of November, 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

ELIAM KING, Administrator. This, December 22, 1894.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as administrator of Mrs. Lucy A. Eddy, deceased, all persons owing said estate are hereby notified that they must make immediate payment or suit will be brought; and all persons having claims against said estate must present them to the undersigned duly authenticated on or before the 15th day of Nov. 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

L. J. FOX, Adm'r. This, 12th day of November, 1894.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. The undersigned having been appointed and qualified as administratrix of the estate of Martha A. Lipe, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate, must make prompt payment; and all persons holding claims against said estate, must present the same for payment, on or before the 14th day of November, 1895, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

MARTHA M. LIPE, Administratrix. This, the 15th of Nov. 1894.

Superior Court } North Carolina; Cabarrus County. J. P. Goodman, et al, heirs at law of R. E. Klair, vs. T. H. Sapp, Tobias Keldler, et al. To the Sheriff of Cabarrus county: You are hereby committed to summons G. J. Goodman and J. P. Goodman to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior Court to be held for the county of Cabarrus, at the court house in Concord on the 6th Monday before the 1st Monday in March, 1895, at which time and place they can, if they see fit, make themselves parties, plaintiff or defendant, in the above entitled case and take such action as they may desire to take with regard to the matters involved in said suit.

JAMES C. GIBSON, Clerk Superior Court. December 8, 1894.

SALE OF VALUABLE TOWN PROPERTY. By virtue of authority vested in me by a deed of trust from Caleb A. Suther to James C. Gibson, clerk of the Superior Court for Cabarrus county for the benefit of six children of said C. A. Suther named in said deed of trust which is dated January 10, 1880 and duly registered in the Register of Deeds office of Cabarrus county in book 31, page 324, I will on Monday the 3rd day of February 1895 sell at the court house door in Concord at 12 o'clock noon, all that town lot on Church street and also adjoining the lots of the late W. G. Bine, J. J. Sother and others, and known as the Caleb Suther lot, for the notes and bounds of which see said deed of trust. Terms of sale \$500, three hundred and fifty dollars cash, the balance on 60 months time note and approved security required at 8 per cent. interest from date of sale.

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THE ARM LOCK BED SPRING. Adjusted at both ends. The most comfortable Bed Spring yet known to the world. It stands perfectly square and will not become loose.

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For further particulars call on me or address, J. WALLACE COOK, Concord, N. C.

Mount Amoena SEMINARY. A Flourishing School for Young Ladies. TEN TEACHERS. Ornamental Branches Taught. Careful Attention. REV. C. L. P. FISHER, A. M. Personal. MOUNT PLEASANT, N. C.

AT YORKE'S. Here's Jewelry for every one. And Jewelry for you: Wedding gifts for groom and bride, and for the lady by you side. Birthday gifts for father and mother, Uncle and aunt, nephew and cousin. One single article or by the dozen.

Beautiful silver knives and forks. Can be bought quite cheap at Yorkes: Watches and chains and golden rings. Breeches, chains, and all such things. Christmas presents for young and old. Call at Yorkes, they must be sold!

Concord National Bank. Concord, N. C. J. M. OBEL, President. D. B. COLTRANE, Cashier. L. D. COLTRANE, Book Keeper.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Capital, \$50,000; Surplus, \$14,000.

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