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We appeal to every reader of THE ROANOKE BEACON, to aid us in making it an acceptable and profitable medium of news to our citizens.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1889.

TWENTY-SEVEN of the Lexington lynch. ers have been arrested and held for trial.

Gov. Lee, resigned his position as President of the Confederate Soldiers' Home.

JOHN ANKRUM, a well-to-do farmer, of Marshall, Iowa, received from the Agricultural department in 1888 a plot of winter wheat that was highly recommended.

A BALTIMORE correspondent to the Wilmington Messenger, says:

"Among the old soldiers is Mr. L. L. Fagan, of Plymouth, who has the battle flag of the 17th N. C. He took it home from Appomattox, wrapped around his body."

Mr. Fagan was not in the 17th N. C., but one of the bravest standard bearers that ever graced a cavalry saddle.

WHETHER Germania will come into this State it has seemed to us would depend somewhat on the Legislature.

UNDER the caption of "Magnificence on Wheels," a London correspondent says: "Two magnificent carriages of oriental design have been built in this city for the Emperor of Morocco."

From time to time we have asked about the celebration of the completion of the Albemarle & Raleigh Railroad.

What town in North Carolina would not rejoice at the completion of a road that would mean for it new life, an increase of population, quick and direct transportation with the outside world?

Greenville celebrated the extension of the branch road from Scotland Neck to that town.

It will not cost much to celebrate the completion and will be a credit to the town.

Give your attention to this matter friends and let the welcome given the completion of this enterprise be the means of drawing men of capital to our town.

## A MURDER.

CRESWELL THE SCENE OF ANOTHER TRAGEDY—A YOU'N OF EIGHTEEN MURDERS HIS SISTER—ANOTHER GIRL BADLY BEATEN

THE PERPETRATORS OF THE CRIME CONFESS AND ARE SENT TO JAIL TO AWAIT THE DECISION OF THE NEXT SUPERIOR COURT.

On Sunday morning last news reached this town that a colored girl named Sadie Simpson, age ten years, had been found dead at her mother's house near Creswell, this county.

Deputy Marshal and acting Coroner, C. O. Jackson, and Mr. T. J. Lewis, of this town, went at once to the scene of the tragedy. An inquest was held over the dead body and a verdict of foul play was rendered.

Suspicion at once led to the arrest of three negroes, Sam'l Simpson, a brother of the unfortunate victim, Dannel Sprout and Scott Sprout, age 12, 14 and 18 years. They were confined in the lockup, where, on being questioned by coroner Jackson, they confessed their guilt.

On being further questioned by the coroner they told how, at different times, they had stolen ducks and chickens from the neighbors.

After their confession they were ordered to be brought to this town and placed in jail to await the next term of the Superior court, when the case will be heard and no doubt they will hang to pay the penalty of their crime.

While these parties are young, yet they are old enough to know right from wrong and they should, if guilty, be dealt with by law according to their deed.

This case will perhaps remind some of the negroes that they are not bringing their children up in the right way, they should take this as a warning and try to raise their children to fear and honor the laws of our country and to hold more sacred the laws of God.

### LONG RIDGE LETTER.

LONG RIDGE, N. C., Oct. 22, '89.

India Summer, with all its sad beauty is here and we are having some pleasant weather as though summer, loth to leave us, was bestowing a parting caress.

It is all here, our old Ridge seems like a place forsaken since it lost so many pleasant faces, first of whom we will mention our dear friend, Miss Rilda Kelly, who has left us for Washington where she will reside in the future, her fair face will be sadly missed among us, but we wish her every success and trust that Heaven may crown her future life with happiness.

Our genial young friend, Mr. W. B. Ward, left last week for Snowden where he goes to accept a position.

The BEACON has many well wishers here who note with pleasure its improvement but no more than the editor's friend.

### HOW IS THIS?

An exchange says: After you get on your ear and make up your mind to stop your paper to humiliate the editor, just poke your finger in some mill pond and then pull it out and look for the hole.

The man who thinks a paper cannot survive without his support ought to go off and stay awhile.

You will probably find some things in a paper you cannot endorse.

It is much better to keep your vest pulled down and your subscription paid up.

### Epigrams.

This is what you ought to have, in fact you must have it, to fully enjoy life.

## IN THE SWEET BYE AND BYE.

When the lion eats grass like an ox, And the fishing worm swallows the whale; When terrapin knit woolen socks, And the hare is caught by the snail;

### DIED.

Entered into rest at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, September 22, 1889, at the residence 28 Charlotte street, Norfolk, Va.

TO THE MEMORY OF ALICE. Dear one, how we miss you In our quiet little home.

Then was the time my darling, We were so happy and gay, And those pretty pictures You so often made and played.

### SUGGESTIONS AS TO SELF-CULTURE.

Every year a class of young people graduate or leave school. The majority of them, it is to be feared, imagine that further mental cultivation is unnecessary, if indeed they consider that anything remains for them to learn.

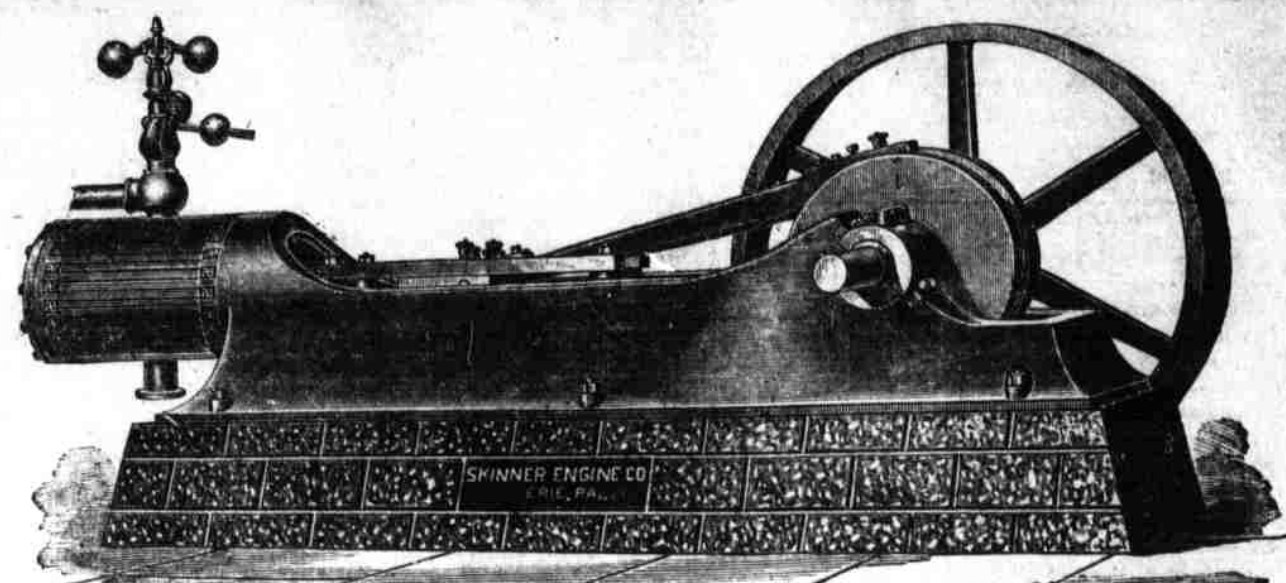
### HOW WOMEN REST.

How differently men and women indulge themselves in what is called a resting spell. "I guess I'll sit down and mend these stockings and rest awhile," says the wife; but her husband throws himself upon the easy lounge, or sits back in his arm chair, with hands at rest and feet placed horizontally on another chair.

PRESIDENT Harrison is not a Mason. Two members of his Cabinet are Masons, but neither of them is a Knight Templar.

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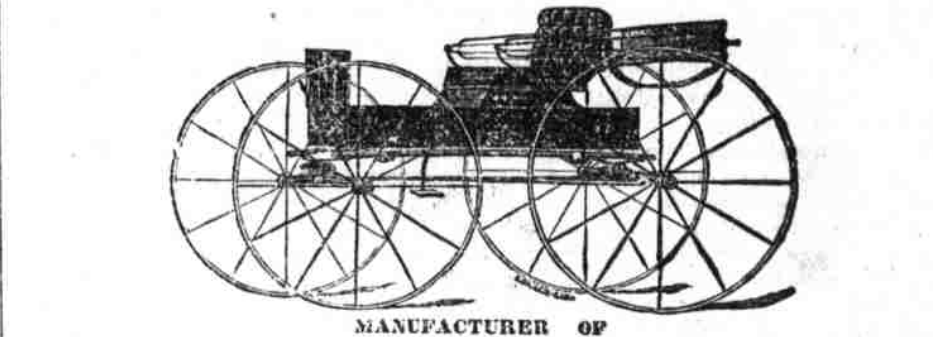
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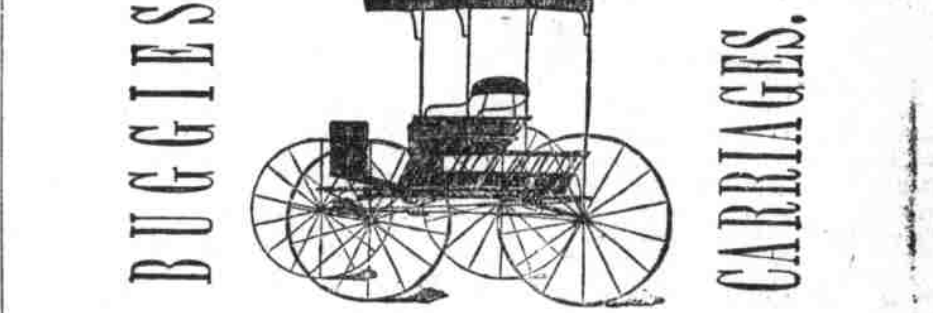
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