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**STATE NEWS**

**Two Lives Lost in Cape Fear.**  
Wilmington, July 14.—The muddy waters of the Cape Fear river claimed a toll of two lives Saturday afternoon, Abraham Bryant, a negro, from the Indian creek section in Brunswick county, losing his life early in the afternoon when his boat capsized off Point Peter, near this city, and a small colored boy, about eight years old, drowning in the afternoon when he fell from a pile of lumber into the river at the plant of the Hilton Lumber company. The body of the colored boy was recovered late yesterday afternoon.

The colored man had been to Wilmington to purchase some supplies and is said to have secured some whiskey also. It is supposed that he was drinking. He was in the boat alone. Several people on the shore saw it when it capsized and went to his rescue, but nothing was seen of him and his body has not yet been recovered.—Wilmington special to Greensboro News.

**Whiskey Tank Found.**  
Chief of Police Thomas and Sergeant Thompson ran across an unique tank in what is known as Chaffin's woods, east of the city, Sunday, and in the afternoon when his boat capot-her of the modern appliances used by blind tigers in this city in carrying on their nefarious business. It was made of galvanized iron and measured 25x22 inches and 11 inches deep. It is so constructed that it can be mington to purchase some supplies by the use of syphon liquid can be drawn from it. It will hold between twenty and thirty gallons.

The officers were following what they thought was the trail of a barre, of whiskey which had been rolled into the woods. They followed the trail until they came to a spot where the ground had been saturated with whiskey, evidently where the barrel had been emptied. Near this spot they found the tank, and taking the cap of the syphon hole the smell scented of whiskey, showing that the tank had seen service at the hands of some "tiger." The officers have not located the offender, but Chief Thomas states that there will probably be a hereafter in the matter. They are now trying to locate the owner of the tank.—Winston Sentinel.

**Claims a Hold-Up.**

Following the publication of a story to the effect that suit has been filed against Robert R. Reynolds in Haywood county seeking to collect \$521.50 balance due for entertainment of convention delegates by the management of the Suyaeta Park hotel, Mr. Reynolds in a signed statement tonight charges that the procedure is a hold up and political trick.

He says that the suit was instituted following the visit of Congressman James M. Guder, Jr., to Waynesville and that Congressman Guder visited the office of Captain Hannah just before the latter filed the complaint. Mr. Reynolds' statement is to the effect that the management of the hotel tried to make him pay \$200 more than he owed, simply because he is a candidate for congress. He says he offered to pay the amount due, but that it was turned down because he wouldn't pay more than was agreed upon when the hotel agreed to entertain his delegates.—Asheville special to Wilmington Star.

**Charged With Kidnapping.**

I. M. Petty, wanted in Harnett county for kidnapping Nettie Holder, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. W. Holder, was arrested here this afternoon late by Deputy Sheriff Fletcher Caudle. He and the girl were traveling in a buggy. At this hour they are in the custody of Sheriff Shaw, who is trying to communicate with the Harnett county authorities.

Petty is about fifty years old. He wears a heavy mustache and beard and seems to be a very excitable sort of person. He says that he has been teaching the little girl music for three years and has become very much attached to her. A few months ago the child's father, he says, lost all that he had and moved to a small station named Manor, somewhere on the new railroad that runs through Harnett, and since going to that place he has not been treating Nettie right. He said that it was for the purpose of rescuing her from this sort of life that he carried her away from Spring Hill church in Harnett county, on July 5. He relates a number of instances, tending to show that his story is correct, and says that he can prove all of it.

The little girl bears him out in his story. She says that he is telling the truth and that she has no desire to go home to her mother. She also says that he treats her well. She is a slender little girl. She says that she is twelve years old and she looks it. She is certainly not much older. She has a good face, with very fine eyes, and she is very modest in demeanor. She has made a good impression on all who have seen her.—Wilmington special to Charlotte Observer.

**Drowned in the Roanoke.**

M. A. Campbell, of Emily City, Mich., was drowned in Roanoke river at Halifax today, while attempting to cross the stream in a small boat. The boat began to fill with water when in its swift current and went under. His companions in the boat, May 1 Moser, of Charlotte, and M. H. Thomas of Rocky Mount, managed to swim ashore after a desperate struggle. Campbell, it is said, was the best swimmer of the three, but he became excited and went down. The river is being dragged for the body.

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