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A Sketch of My Journey West.

Mr. Editor: On June the 12th, in the beautiful early morning, I said goodby to the many dear North Carolina friends and started for the far away West, with my cousin, Lena Mast.

Perhaps the parting was even sadder than I would acknowledge, and as I looked back on the dear homes where I had spent so many happy hours, I realized that to me they were lost, and 'twas there I knew how dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood.

Taking the early train at Elk Park on Saturday morning, we were soon carried to Johnson City where we changed for the Southern. Early on Sunday morning we arrived in Memphis and having several hours to wait, we went out to find something of interest in the city. We saw very little, however, except dirt and darkies. But soon after leaving the depot, we crossed the Mississippi, and it was a grand view indeed that greeted us. The wide expanse of water and the steamers resting peacefully on its bosom.

We were then passing through country quite different from our own in many respects, and watched eagerly for the surprises we knew were awaiting us. Early Monday morning we arrived at Kansas City, and though it is quite a large city, and there was a continual stir like a sea of people ever moving, we enjoyed the hours of waiting much better than those of Memphis.

On leaving the city the surprises truly began. I had heard much of the floods and destruction, but had not realized the extent of the terrible disaster until I was brought face to face with the devastation caused by the high water. Everywhere the mark was left. Nearly all the rails were still under debris and water or cast up in heaps on the dry land. Houses were upturned, bridges torn down and many cars wrecked and hanging from broken bridges or lying in heaps. A number of small towns were completely demolished and the country from Kansas City to Topeka was one scene of frightful devastation and ruin.

Leaving Topeka we were able to travel more rapidly and soon came into the more restful scenes and beautiful country. We came into Denver in the afternoon and changed cars for Cheyenne. We were then passing through the less fertile regions and coming to the lonely hills and prairies. Nothing but sage bush and cactus greeted us, after leaving the prairies, and the hot sun sent its pitiless rays down on the dusty plains and it was a wearying sight. Through parts of the country the work of irrigation was being carried on and the grass was green and the water looked cool and inviting.

Soon we were crossing the Rockies and the lofty peaks covered with snow afforded interesting topics for conversation and a pleasant pas-

sation. After reaching Oregon we found it much cooler and more pleasant, and the fertile valleys and timber-covered mountains reminded me of the Old North State. The grand scenery, as we passed through the mountains, and the cool babbling brooks, where the little fishes glided along, were welcome sights to us.

Far from pleasant was our ride from Pendleton, Oregon, to Walla Walla Washington, as the heat was almost suffocating and the dust stifling. The Columbia river seemed large and beautiful and we enjoyed the cool breeze from its surface. Leaving Walla Walla it gradually grew cooler and the dust less stifling. The country seemed to be all hills and valleys, wheat fields and grass lands, with never a tree except in some yard or orchard where they had been cultivated. We were, nevertheless, in a beautiful land and a mild climate, and my spirits rose as we neared our journey's end.

We arrived at our destination at 1 or 2 o'clock on the morning of the 19th, tired and travel-worn, but as we sat to rest I felt that, after all, Washington was home-land, just as North Carolina had been, and though the great United States lay between me and old friends, I was near them still. Perhaps some day I will tell you more about the land to which I came, if you are interested in the far West.

LELIA GERTRUDE McCOY,
St. John, Wash.

BRUTALLY TORTURED.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equalled. Joe Golobick of Cotusa, Calif., writes: "For fifteen years I endured insufferable pain from rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters, and it's the best medicine on earth for that troubles. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for liver and kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by M. B. Blackburn.

A Michigan paper says that in Chillicothe they are telling a good story on a young man who is holding a humble position in a printing office, says the Kansas City Star. The young man is very fond of the daughter of a minister, but his devotion to her is comparatively new. The other Sunday he went to church to hear the father of the father of his anamorate preach, and unfortunately set down where everybody could see him. The text was: "My daughter is grievously tormented with a devil."

NIGHT WAS HER TORTURE.

"I would cough nearly all night long" writes Mrs. Charles Applegate, of Alexandria, Indiana, "and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but when all other medicine had failed, three bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 55 pounds." It is absolutely guaranteed to cure coughs, colds, la grip, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c. and St. Trial bottles free at Blackburn's.

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England and North Carolina.

The Morning Post thus comments on the lecture delivered by Dr. Kemp P. Battle, before the Summer School at the A. & M. College in Raleigh on the 20th, which it asserts, was one of the ablest of the course in North Carolina history:

"Dr. Battle began by saying that the people of North Carolina are thoroughly English, counting the Scotch-Irish among the English. It is interesting to note the similarity of the institutions and the changes have been made nearly at the same time. Even the names of many of our counties bring up reminiscences across the water. He instanced for example the stout old Wm. Lord Craven, who fought for the beautiful daughter of James the 1st, the titular Queen of Bohemia; Gabriel Johnston, one of the great clans of South Scotland and North England who got their name from their beautiful city of Perth, called St. John's town, (the St. John's town folk); Wake named from Lady Mary, daughter of Earl Ferrers, descended from Hereward, the wake of watchman of the incursions of the Danes, who fought so long against William the Conqueror. Lastly he told of Charles Lennox the Duke of Richmond, who moved in the House of Peers that the revolutionary war should be stopped, the grandson of the brilliant but unscrupulous French Countess, the Dutchess of Portsmouth, and Charles II. There are many other counties whose names should be followed back into the old country and the historical facts clustered around them exploded.

"The lecturer then showed how the great civil war was fought in order to settle the great issue whether the allegiance of our people is due first to the state, instead of the general government. William the Conqueror settled the question nearly 900 years ago, when he forced on Salisbury Plain the land-holders to swear allegiance directly to him and not to their liege lord.

"Although the English constitution is not written it is quite as sacred to them as ours is to us.

"Take first the Executive. The English king has really no more power than our governor. The real king is the prime minister, but only so long as he can command a majority of the House of Commons, so that a majority of the people, represented in the commons, rule England. It is so with us. The governor has no control over the judges, none over the Legislature. He cannot sign nor veto acts. Dr. Battle developed this point and clearly presented many similarities between the English constitution and its growth and the constitution of North Carolina and its development to its present form."

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Negroes Leaving Mecklenburg.

Charlotte Observer.

The question of keeping laborers is getting to be a serious question, not only to the farmers in this county but to the people in Charlotte who employ many hands. For three years Mecklenburg has suffered some for the lack of farm hands, and this year it is feeling the scarcity of laborers more than ever. Crops suffer and the yield is cut short because of the lack of attention at the proper time.

The one good effect this has on the farmers of the county is that it is compelling them to open their purses and invest in improved labor-saving machinery. More machinery has been sold in Charlotte within the past two years than for any four years previous.

But the exodus of negro labor is also beginning to affect the people in the city. The scarcity of hands has greatly increased the size of the wages of the remainder. The builders of the city and grading contractors are paying more for labor now than they have for many years. This is for unskilled labor, and there has not been an idle mason nor carpenter or other skilled workman in the city for many months, if he desired the work. More builders and skilled workmen are employed in the city now than ever before and the demand is still greater than the supply, although the good wages are attracting the class of workmen desired from other towns.

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If you suffer from ulcers, eczema, scrofula, blood poison, cancer, eating sores, itching skin, pimples, boils, bone pains, swellings, rheumatism, catarrh, or any blood or skin disease, we advise you to take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) Especially recommended for old, obstinate, deep seated cases cured where all else fails, heals every sore, makes the blood pure and rich, gives the skin the rich glow of health. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle. Sample sent free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter. Medicine sent at once, prepaid.

A Moscow dentist, says an exchange, has invented a system whereby false teeth can be made to grow into the gums as firmly as natural ones. After a few months' use it is just as hard to extract them as it is to dislodge the genuine molar made on the premises. Soon, possibly, this tooth grafting Muscovite will achieve, suggests the London Globe, the giddy height to which the dentist can soar, the manufacture of false teeth that ache.

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"For years fate was after me continuously" writes F. A. Gulledge, Verhena, Alabama, "I had a terrible case of piles, causing 24 tumors. When all failed Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. Equally good for burns and all aches and pains. Only 25c. at M. B. Blackburn's.

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Morgan, Ark., May 25, 1901.
I cannot recommend Theford's Black-Draught too highly. I keep it in my house all the time and have used it for the last ten years. I never gave my children any other laxative. I think I could never be able to work without it on account of being troubled with constipation. Your medicine is all that keeps me up.
C. B. McFARLAND.

Roosevelt Has Done Harm.
New York Times.

Mr. Roosevelt has done the negroes of the South no good. He has done them and the whole country great harm. He has aroused a race hatred in all sections that was in the way of slowly dying out. The scheme of the Democrats [to divide the colored vote of the North] to which Mr. Depew alludes, selfish as it was, was bound to have a good effect, since, since, so far as it was pushed, it would have tended to destroy race prejudice in politics, and it would to some extent have spread to the South, where its influence would have been still more benificent. At the best the action of the President has stimulated in mere office seeking and encouraged office seekers among the negroes while he has checked a movement that distinctly would have tended to peace and good feelings between the races. This Mr. Depew crows over. It should be a source of regret and shame.

The world is but a ring, on which men cut their eye teeth.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

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