

Cave Creek Cullage.

(Too late for last week's paper.)
Mud, mud, mud!
The people in this neighborhood are standing the panic well, I suppose and making preparations for a crop as usual. They are complaining of grip nowadays more than panic. There are a number of cases in the community this week.

The wedding bells began to ring on Sunday morning and before the day was ended, Dr. "Dick" Bingham and Miss Rose Weaver ran out to Trade, Tenn., and had the knot tied that made two hearts beat as one. We wish for both of them long life and happiness. The bride is the youngest daughter of the Methodist minister on this work.

Bro. Weaver is very much liked by everybody.
Miss Flora Weaver, who has been very ill at Helton N. C., arrived at home a few days ago, very much improved.

The school at Mast is progressing nicely under the new principal, Mr. J. B. Horton. "Jack" makes a fine teacher, and certainly knows how to govern a school. Miss Brown still has a charge of the primary department, and Miss Ella McLendon of the music. The students in all the branches are doing good work.

About 100,000 pounds of the machinery for the first oil well at Mast is on the ground, which is all of it, except four loads. The champion hauler was Mr. Will Bass, who brought the huge boiler in on a sled, which he made for the purpose. I suppose operations will begin in the near future.

Despite the mud and slush the drummers still pick up their grips and go. Quite a number of them have stopped at N. L. Mast's during the past few days. By the way, "Nute" says the panie has got him, sure.

Messrs Marvin Blackburn, Tom Thomas and Ben Isaacs, boarding pupils at Mast Seminary, visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Ned.

How it Might Be Passed.

A home is a sentence, sometimes simple, sometimes complex and very often compound. To live is the subject, and the husband is the predicate. There is no object, because the verb is very often intransitive. The wife is an adverb, because she modifies the predicate. The children are prepositions, because they show the relation between the parents and their work.

There are but few simple homes now. We mean where father says only once "John, bring some wood for the fire," and where mother says only once "Mary, you may get dinner today."

There are many complex homes. Father says, "Johnnie, bring some wood for the fire; but O-oh, papa," says Johnnie, "I—don't—wan-t-t-to." "Go on Johnnie," says the father, and daddy will get you some candy." It is enough to say that Mary "can't work; she always gets her hands burned."

There are also many compound homes. Father says, "John, bring some wood for the fire, little man." "I shall not do it," is the prompt reply. Of course the girls do not let this apply to them, do you, girls?

Every husband should try to make his home a simple one and wives should not modify too strongly the predicate.

"Uncle Bill"

Boone, N. C.

The other day a Chicago man laughed until he fell over and cut his head on a radiator. Some one must have assured him that the Republicans will revise the tariff immediately after the next election.

FOOLS.

There are three kinds of fools that I want to write about.

First, the young person that points a gun or pistol at his companion, just for fun.

Second, the one that blows in the muzzle of a gun to see if it is loaded.

Third, the young man that rocks the boat or canoe while crossing the river with girls in it, just to hear them scream.

I heard a story of one who did so, and turned the canoe over. The water fortunately was not deep and none were drowned, but they were angered and felt themselves humiliated. The man was indicted and his lawyer advised him to submit, and beg the clemency of the court. The Judge said: "I am going to let the defendant off with the cost on the ground that he hasn't good sense." The lawyer objected, and the Judge said: "I'll submit it to the jury and if they find like I have, I'll then let it stand; if they find he has got good sense I'll change my sentence." The lawyer said: "Let it stand."

J. W. Todd.

Jefferson, N. C.

John Puckett, a white man, has been arrested at King's Mt., on a charge of kidnapping. Several weeks ago the 13-year-old son of Mr. C. M. Crowder, a Gastonia contractor, disappeared, and every effort possible has been made to find him, but to no avail. Puckett maintains a stolid silence when questioned.

The big cotton factory at Cooleme, Davie county, has been damaged by fire to the extent of \$100,000, which was covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The life of every man is a diary in which he means to write one story and writes another; and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is with what he vowed to make it—J. M. Barrie.

Denver hotel rates are not to be increased during the Democratic convention. Furthermore, it is positively denied that any Denver hotelkeeper wishes to be postmaster in that city in case of Bryan's election. Altruism certainly is looking up.

Mrs. Hetty Green's pronounced view against American heiresses marrying foreign noblemen undoubtedly would start a Hetty Green Presidential boom were such things permitted in this country.

January imports of \$85,000,000; January exports of \$206,000,000 the way this country can both hustle and economize when it has to is a wonder.

Evelyn Nesbit Thaw has entered suit against Harry K. Thaw, and he will deny charges of insanity and pray dismissal of the suit. Truly they are much before the world.

Hetty Green's daughter is to wed a man without a title. Hetty always was lucky in financial matters.

The State Democratic executive committee selected Charlotte as the place and June 24th as the date for holding the State convention.

Gov. John Johnson of Minn., says he will not accept the Democratic nomination for President. No, he certainly will not. William J. accepted it first.

On one single Sunday in last month, 319 persons were received into the membership of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, of New York City.

It is said that over 50 labor unions in Massachusetts, have passed resolutions in favor of woman suffrage.

Blue Ridge and Prohibition.

Mr. Editor: I notice in your paper of March 12th that a friend told you that Blue Ridge was coming to the front in the way of prohibition. Blue Ridge will settle that on May 26th. The people of the Ridge are not ready to sacrifice the liberties handed down to them through the blood shed by our fore-fathers who have long since passed away.

It seems that some of the people of Watauga think that the citizens of Blue Ridge are a lot of outlaws, but it is not so. They are accused of drinking a lot of whiskey, and of being drunkards. I believe there is less drinking in Blue Ridge than any other township in the county; although we do drink a little whiskey when we can get a little money to order it from other States, as our rights are taken from us in North Carolina.

But while we do drink a little in Blue Ridge township, we have a better way of controlling it than they have in any other part of the county. If whiskey is at the head of all crimes, the county records will show this. Search the records of the county courts and see how many cases you can find on the docket from Blue Ridge township; see how many criminals or murder cases you can find since the civil war in Blue Ridge township.

I served as deputy sheriff under W. H. Calaway three years, and had but little business to do. The people all paid their taxes promptly. The first year I collected every cent in the township. I want to say further that there is no better law-abiding people in the county. To be sure we are going to vote old Blue Ridge wet on the 26th day of May by a large majority.

So let us have our rights and we will all be happy.

G. L. Stone,

Todd Hall, a Baltimore detective, who became a celebrated evangelist, has passed to the Great Beyond.

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A man has just married a woman he had saved from drowning 25 years ago. Apparently there is no escape.

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Some Ohio authorities are using pictures in an attempt to cure the insane. Now, however souvenir postal cards.

Happy thought; One year from now we will be pretty well over the effects of inauguration day.

Business appears to be reviving everywhere except in Congress.

God is whatever you want Him to be.—McNeill.

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"What has become of the old fashioned boy who used to offer to fight a smaller boy on his knees and with one hand tied behind him? asks the Acheson Globe. Why, we understand he is married, and gets all the fighting he wants.

Even with "In God we trust" restored to our coins, it will still be necessary to hustle for a living.

The poets are doing their best to induce the Weather Bureau to believe the spring has come.

According to the Houston Post a Dallas man has come home seventy-eight nights in succession with a different explanation each time that was perfectly satisfactory to his wife. A man like that really ought to be in the diplomatic service of his country.

A Boston schoolboy was tall, weak and sickly.

His arms were soft and flabby. He didn't have a strong muscle in his entire body.

The physician who had attended the family for thirty years prescribed **Scott's Emulsion.**

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I also still have on hand, left from the holiday trade, a small stock of handsome jewelry, suited for both gentlemen and ladies, that will be sold under a positive GUARANTEE. If you need anything in this line be sure to give me a call.

I always have on hand a nice little stock of well-selected groceries, sugar, coffee, rice, tea, that should be tested by every one in reach of my store. My goods are fine; my prices are right. Give me a part of your trade.

Boone, N. C., Jan. 1. J. M. HODGES, M. D.
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