

THE MONSTER STEAM SHOVEL.

Description of the big shovel which is being used in excavating for the Southern tracks in the North Graham street overhead bridge.

One of the sights of the city just now is the Southern's big steam shovel which is slowly but surely burrowing its way through the cut near the North Graham street overhead bridge.

The way in which those in charge can manipulate the great crane is nothing short of marvellous. It has a range of 180 degrees, operating on either side and in front of the engine.

Work was commenced at the north end of the great red cut near the Liddell shops two weeks ago and has been in progress ever since. The cut as it has heretofore stood, could not accommodate but one track. When the big shovel completes its task there will be room enough and to spare for two additional ones, making three in all.

The pathway of the big shovel is about 22 feet wide and 25 feet deep. It cuts from 20 to 40 feet every 24 hours, the dirt being carried away by two dinky engines and long strings of train cars.

The shovel consists of a powerful engine on wheels, a crane with connecting chains and cables, and a giant scoop. Three men are required to operate the machine, two at the engine, one the engineer and the other the fireman, and the third at the crane directing the play of the scoop.

The great chains which play on the crane and do the work of the derrick are of immense size and weight. They look strong enough to bind a giant or chain a Cyclops. The way in which they operate together, one with another, each one performing its part in the task of lifting a great weight, is simply marvellous.

The man who stands at the head of the crane and directs its movement, can make it do almost anything. Should it encounter a stump as it frequently does, which is too big to be rooted up, then the crane is lowered and the opposing obstacle is hauled out of the way by sheer force.

When the shovel came to where the North Graham street overhead bridge stood, it was necessary to tear it away. The engine is about 50 feet south of the North Graham street crossing, and about half-way through the cut. It works night and day, the needed light being supplied after dark by means of huge arc lamps.

COUNSEL MAY SPEAK TO-DAY.

Believed That Evidence of Defense in Myers Damage Suit Against City Will Be Finished This Morning—The Day a Quiet One.

The Myers suit against the city is one day nearer settlement than yesterday. That is about all that can be said of it. All day long court tolled patiently on. Witness after witness gave his testimony as to when this part was dug and why, and now it could have been done otherwise and why it could not be thus done, where an overflow had taken place and where one might take place. Question after question was fired by attorney after attorney and as readily answered until finally when the sun sank deep in the distant West and the shadows of night began to fall, the little company filed out of the court room to take up the battle till the morning should come.

The evidence of the plaintiff is in and that of the defense is being presented to the jury. The argument of counsel will begin this afternoon. The suit is for \$10,000, asked by Mr. J. B. Myers from the city of Charlotte for damages alleged to have been wrought by an overflow of the city sewer on his land.

COL. J. F. NEWELL JUBILANT.

He Says That the Home Coming in No. 10 Township Next Month Will be the Event of the Year.

Col. J. F. Newell is jubilant over the prospects of a glorious celebration and home coming in No. 10 township, Cabarrus county, early next month. The date is the 7th, and the place the famous Sherrill mineral springs, nine miles southwest of Concord. Among those who are to attend are Mr. J. F. Shinn, of Norwood; Rev. Will Boger, of Mount Holly; Prof. R. N. Cook, of Bardsville, Ky.; Rev. W. A. Newell, of Tryon; Mr. L. T. Hartwell, of Concord and others. A crowd of at least 10,000 people is expected.

The Charlotte contingent of course will be large. Col. Newell and Col. N. J. Sherrill will both be on hand and also Mr. Wade H. Harris, editor of The Evening Chronicle; Major W. B. Bradford, assistant postmaster; H. K. C. Bryant, of The Observer, and others. Col. Noon Ingram will be there too.

The Saranac Club.

The Saranac Club is the latest organization among the young men of the city. Its charter members are Messrs. C. A. Mees, C. I. Burkholder and E. C. Marshall, all of the Southern Power Company and Mr. Frank J. Garvey, of the Charlotte branch of Swift & Company. The club quarters are located on one of the new and handsomely furnished Stephens' flats on East Seventh street.

A New Guthrie Boy.

Born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Guthrie, a son, the same being the fourth son of the family and ten years younger than his next elder brother. There are no girl children among the Guthries.

Please get quick and certain relief from Dr. Hooper's Magic Ointment. Please note its positive and certain. Itching, painful, redness of the skin, piles, hemorrhoids, etc., are cured. Sold by Burwell Dunn Retail Store.

FOR SELLING NOXALL.

Messrs. S. Q. Barnes and Lawrence Rea Bound to Court in the Sum of \$100 For Retaining—Tom Davis Fined \$10 and Costs For Disorderly Conduct.

Tom Ellis was before the recorder under his other name, Tom Davis, yesterday morning, while his other self, Ellis, was, theoretically, in jail to await trial at the next term of court. The charge against Davis was the entering of the house of Elvira Jolly, an aged negro, who, despite her name, was unable to see any humorous side to the affair. After investigating the matter a little the warrant was changed to read "disorderly conduct" and the prisoner was fined \$10 and costs. The man, it seemed, had broken the door of the house, but it was in an attempt to get some clothes, the title to which was vested in him, but which she was holding until he should settle a board bill.

The alleged sale of noxall, it was which landed Messrs. S. Q. Barnes and Lawrence Rea in court. They were bound over to court in the sum of \$100 each. The State's witness was John Glover, colored, who was in court Monday to answer for intoxication and laid all the blame for his muddled mental and physical condition on the mystic powers of the now famous beverage, which he claimed has knocked him out successfully in the first round. He said he bought it last Saturday night and on the preceding Saturday night Mr. Barnes did not deny selling the drink on the 13th, but stated that a week ago when he learned that it was intoxicating he had ceased to offer it for sale.

Perry McGowan, colored, was convicted of having been discovered with more liquor in his possession than the recently enacted State statute permits. He was bound over to court in the sum of \$100.

BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY.

Sixth Volume of Finest Series of Books Ever Issued in North Carolina Now in Course of Delivery—Comments on the Book—Has Won Respect and Endorsement of Good Citizens.

Volume VI of the "Biographical History of North Carolina," with the character of which the public is now familiar, is in course of distribution from Mr. Charles L. Van Noppen's publishing office of Greensboro. In mechanical make-up, this volume is uniformly de luxe with its forerunners, and the editorial policy is continued. There are 13 distinguished contributors. Besides the fine frontispiece of Z. B. Vance, there are 56 other full-page steel engravings.

The family groupings are these: The Battles, there being 11 Battles represented; Bingham, 4; Cobbs, 2; Dancys, 2; Grimes, 2; Haywoods, 6; Manlys, 2; Pottigrews, 2; Shipleys, 2; Turners, 2; and Vances, 2. The text comprises 508 pages.

From the groups as well as from the individual subjects and the various times in our history at which they lived and ruled, the reviewer judges decided at once that this will prove the most interesting of the whole set. The project has won well its way through a good deal of original doubt, the respect and endorsement of the most dignified element of citizens.

INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK.

Authorized Capital of Charlotte Realty Company Increased to \$200,000 and Paid-In Capital to \$200,000—\$50,000 Capital Added to Charlotte Trust Company.

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Charlotte Realty Company yesterday afternoon it was decided to increase the authorized capital of the corporation from \$100,000 to \$200,000 and the paid-in capital from \$100,000 to \$200,000. The capital stock of the company has been \$100,000 since its institution 18 months ago. The growth of the business during the past year has required the increase, and hence the action of the stockholders yesterday.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Charlotte Trust Company was held at 4 o'clock. On motion it was decided to increase the paid-in capital from \$100,000 to \$150,000. The authorized capital of the trust company is \$250,000. The attendance at both meetings was unusually large. Among the out-of-town stockholders present were Mr. C. N. Evans, cashier of the Southern National Bank, Wilmington, and Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Gastonia.

Repair Work in Progress.

Carpenters were busy in Burwell & Dunn's wholesale drug store yesterday repairing the flooring ripped out by the hurdling box car on Sunday afternoon. Masons will start to work to-morrow to stop up the twenty-five foot gap made in the wall and by Thursday all damage will have been repaired. Business meanwhile has gone on in the store as usual and orders have been filled without a stop. A claim will be put in for the damage done and it is thought that the railroad will make good.

Big Picnic at Mooresville To-Morrow.

To-morrow will be a big day at Mooresville, the occasion being the annual picnic at that place or in that vicinity. Great crowds always attend. A special train will be run from Statesville, leaving that place at 3 o'clock. None will be necessary from Charlotte, as the regular train, though a trifle early, keeps about the right hours to suit those who may wish to go from here. Addresses and other interesting features are scheduled for this occasion.

Death of Dr. W. H. Watkins.

A telegram received yesterday morning announced the death Monday night at Huntersville, Ala., of Dr. W. H. Watkins, ab rother of Mr. McD. Watkins of this city. Dr. Watkins was about 64 years of age and is survived by his widow and several children. Three brothers and two sisters also survive him. He was a native of Powhatan county, Va., moving to Alabama early in life. The funeral will likely take place to-day.

Annual A. R. P. Picnic August 8th.

In the A. R. P. church gave five miles south of the city the annual picnic will be held under the auspices of the ladies of the church, August 8th. All will bring baskets, ice cream and all sorts of cold drinks will be furnished by the young people. There will be amusements for young folks and children and good things for all.

Letter From Mrs. John Walter Miller.

A letter to a citizen of this city from Mrs. John Walter Miller, is dated the Savoy Hotel, Florence, Italy, July 7. She enclosed a sprig or two of lilac, which she took from the grave of Elizabeth Browning. Her whole letter about that storied city is enthusiastic.

CHURCH INSTITUTE NEXT WEEK.

The Official Programme Given—Will Be Held at Coolidge—An Interesting Series of Meetings Promised.

The programme for the church institute which is to be held at Good Shepherd Episcopal church, Coolidge, next week is as follows: Monday, July 29th, 10 o'clock, organization; 11 o'clock, lecture, "The Holy Catholic Church," Rev. Dr. F. J. Murdock; 4 o'clock, "A Layman's Duties," Rev. E. A. Osborne; and 8 o'clock, "Made of Baptism," Rev. Dr. Murdock and Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt.

Tuesday, July 30th, 8 o'clock, "General Church History," Rev. Francis A. Osborne; 10 o'clock, "The Holy Catholic Church," Rev. Dr. F. J. Murdock; 4 o'clock, "A Layman's Duties," Rev. E. A. Osborne; 8 o'clock, "Church in Neutral States," Rev. Dr. F. J. Murdock; and 8 o'clock, "Baptism Subjects," Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt.

Wednesday, July 31st. Same topics for discussion as Tuesday except subject for night will be "Confirmation." The exercises Thursday will be the same as Wednesday except Rev. Francis Osborne's subject will be "English Church History." The programme Friday will be the same as Thursday except that Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt's subject will be "Apostolic Succession." The institute will close Saturday at noon. The institute is designed for the instruction of the laymen in the history, doctrine and duties of the Episcopal church. Those who desire to attend should communicate with anyone of the appointed speakers. Convenient lodging and board can be had at moderate expense.

WHY HE COULDN'T WORK.

Small Colored Boy Declared the Pavements on Which He Had to Walk Were Too Hot.

It's hot when the cement walks sizzle in the sun. It's even hotter when the ordinary small boy who has been going barefooted all the summer complains of burnt feet occasioned by walking on the heated pavements. For a negro boy to murmur is just about the limit.

The Ed. Mellon Company employed a little dinky to deliver packages yesterday. He was sent out on an errand seven blocks away about 11 o'clock in the morning through a section which enjoys little shade. In due time he returned but going up to Mr. T. M. Shelton he declared that he wanted to quit because the sun cooked his feet so that he could hardly walk. And who says that it's not hot?

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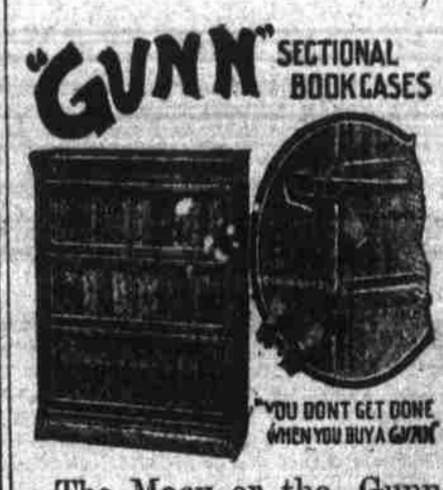


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