Experience of Two Asheville School Sundents With Cance and Swollen River.

GAT A DUCKING IN

Two boys of the Asheville school, Joseph Beggs and Henry Chapman, had a chilly experience in the Swannanoa river yesterday afternoon.

They were shooting the river with a cance, at a point above the Vanderbilt truck farm. The stream was at flood height and very swift. Their canoe was overturned once and they got a ducking, but recovered the little boat and went on down stream. The cance was finally thrown violently against a log boom that extended into the river, dragged under the bo m and lost, and the boys were thrown into the stream. They reached shore, and as soon as they had recovered themselves sufficiently to make the exertion started down the south bank of the stream for Biltmore.

They were fortunate enough to meet a carriage containing some hotel visitors in Asheville. These gentlemen took the boys in and drove with them as rapidly as possible to the city, where livery carriage to convey them to the school.

They were a sorry spectacle and much chilled and exhausted when rescued on the banks of the raging river.

. The boys were all right last evening. They simply got a ducking-that was all.

ENESCOUNDREL CONTINUES TO EXPOSE TWO

Val t Jon & LUCE un with his Con fession of Crime

New York, April 3-Charles F. Jones, the valet-secretary of William M. Rice, the rich. Texan, resumed the giving of testimony oday in the proceedings against Abert T . Patrick, who is charged with causing Rice's death in order to obtain his property by means of a will, deeds and checks, which it is alleged were forged.

Patrick told Jones he had discovered the will witnessed in his (Patrick's) office, and a number of bogus letters were written on the will matter. On this occasion Jones testified Patrick asked when Rice had last been given

THE SWANNANOA HEARTH FIRES WHICH ARE NEVEL ALLOWED TO DIE OUT.

JUBIOUS FIRE FORE.

The Manner In Which the Living Fire Is Generated - A Peculiar Ceremony Which Illustrated the Uses of the Sacred Fire.

The domestic hearth fire is sacred among all Slavic peoples, without distinction of stage of culture. It may rever be started by blowing with the n .a. A bride, on entering her new home, is led thrice around the hearth by the groomsman. She must stir the fire with the poker and utter the following words: "As many as the sparks that fly, so many may the cattle be and so many the male offspring that shall bless our new home." The form of the andiron in the peasants' houses has from time immemorial been either where one side is shaped to , represent a snake and the other the head of a cock or where some domestic animal is represented. The fire on the hearth is never permitted to go out. It is the eternal sacred fire of the peasant's home. Its extinction betokens misfortune or is a sign that some member of the family will 4.

The servants employed on the farm gather about the fire and pass away the 5. long autumn and winter evenings in live- Misses Moore, Baskervill, Kerpatrick ly conversation. On Christmas eve the they secured some dry clothing and a sacred billet, badujak, is lighted, and is 6. sprinkled by the father of the house with wine, olive oil and honey. On St. Ivan's day the Ivan's fire is lighted and maintained the whole night. The young people of the village gather together and dance the kolo, accompanying their dance with songs. But the "living fire" is prized 1. most highly of all, because, as the Slavic tradition goes in the Balkan peninsular and the Carpathians, it posseses special 2. curative powers.

> The living fire is generated as follows: In some places (as in the mountains of old Servia) it is customary to select two children, a boy and a girl, between 11 and 14 years of age, who are intrusted with kindling the fire. They are conducted into a perfectly dark chamber, where they are obliged to remove all 6. Serenade, "Fair Shines the Moon their clothing and not to utter a single word. Two dry cylindrical pieces of linden wood are given to them, which they alternately rub briskly together until the pieces are ignited. A piece of tinder is fired by the sparks thus produced and dedicated to sacred uses. This manner of obtaining the sacred fire is the oldest, but has now passed almost altogether out of use.

Another method prevails among the Servians of western Macedonia. Two slabs of oak wood are driven solidly into the earth, and in their upper extremities two round holes are bored, in which Sun. a cylindrical piece of linden wood is so nserted that it can be rapidly rotated.

A Large Namber Of Guests Pleasantly

AT THE HORMAL

Entertained Last Evening A very large number of guests braved

the unpleasant weather last evening to attend a musicale given at the Normal and Collegiate institute.

The program rendered was a well rounded one, and each number reflected credit upon the performers, and the school as well. The Normal's student body includes a number of fine voices which were well displayed in the vocal numbers, while the instrumental pieces were well selected and well executed. Of the recitations, that of Miss Frances Moore was especially delightful. The program follows:

"When Early Morn Beams O'er Us.".. Kucken.

Chorus. Piano solo, "Twittering of the Laura Boynton. Quartette, "Old Kentucky Home.

Misses Moore, Baskervi'l, Kerpatrick Fennel and Reese.

Recitation, "How the La Rue Stakes Were Lost."

Margaret Childs. Quartette, "Moonlight on the Lake."

and Reese. Piono duet, "Impromptu Gallop." Misses Matthews and Morgan. Four part song, "A Wedding

Chorus.

II. Piano solo, "Valse Arabesque."

Blanche Beacham. Vocal solo, "The Sing Away Bird.

Edith Lawrence. 3. Recitation, "The Tenor."

Frances Moore. 4. Glee, "Sailing the Sea." Seven Young Ladies.

5. Piano duet, "Scherzo."....Jensen. Misses Drake and Power.



Thomas S. Rollins, Esq., of Marshall, was in town yesterday. \otimes

Hon. Samuel L. Rogers, of Asheville. was in the city last night.-Salisbury

CLICCOURT ROOM

Lawyers Fire Shots . t E ch Other-Bad Marksmen. Kingston, Tenn., April 3,-During the session of the court here today when the room was filled with men, women and children as spectators and wit-

SGENES OF EXGITEMENT

nesses at a trial, Hon. Sam Brazeale and James Littleton, two prominent attorneys, fired six shots at each other, neither were wounded. The shooting caused a panic in the count room. The immediate difficulty arose over

some language used by Littleton against Brazeale in the election. Mr. Littleton's law office is on the second floor of the court house and only a few feet from the entrance to the court room. At a time when the officers where out summoning a special jury. Brazeale entered the office of Libileton, and a few hot worls were passed between them an. Brazeale left the anneasances room, but in a moment returned to the door and commenced firing his revolver at Littleton, the latter dodging his hul-

lets, and later fired his revolver at Brazealle, who nam into the court room and out onto the south portico, where hecommenced to reload his revolver. Littleton not appearing in the court room

Parks, handed him his revolver and put himself in the p.stection of the court, apologizing for his action, but; claimed to have acted in self-protection . Littleton immediately came into the court room, and Judge Parks ordered each on bond to keep the peace. Litheton asked that the affray be imediately investigaed by the court, but as the 96 Patton Ave. grand jury had been dismissed for the present term the court thought that the

Asheville, N.[C. preliminary investigatiin should be held before a justice of the peace. Each of the parties was placed in charge of an officer and the court proceeded with the regular business.

TOM JOHNSON AS **BRYAN'S SUCCESSOR**

Cleveland, April 3 .- The election of Johnson mayor of Cleveland is accepted by his political friends and admirers here to mean that he has won his first great step toward the presidential chair. Johnson is his own candidate for the democratic nomination for the presidency and he and his immediate friends are certain he will be the nominee three years hence. They point out that he is the only leader in the party on whom both factions can unite.

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Chorus. *****

nercury. said "I told him on Thursday," Jones.

"Patrick then told me that there would not be any traces of that left in the system of the autopsy, and that the embalming fluid would kill all traces of oxalic acid, which was a vegetable poison.'

Witness then told of Dr. Curry having come to the apartments on Tuesday, where he met Patrick. The two had a long talk which Jones did not hear. The so-called Patrick will was then brought up. Jones said he had told Patrick that the provisions for Rice's relatives' interest, which was 'discovered on the day following Rice's death, were too small-and that-it wou'd be impossible to get it probated, Patrick. Jones said, then had the so-called "Patrick will" drawn up. The witness related at length the incidents of the day when the body of Rice was cremated.

Jones said that at the time be attempted to commit suicide at the tomios Patrick had agreed to kill himself a!-

Jones says he was taken to police headquarters at tem o'clock in the evering, and said he made a statement which was entirely flottious and of which he could not recall the salient features.

BLOWN TO FRACMENTS,

Phoenix, Ariz., April 3.-News has been received here of the accident at Senator Clark's United Verde at Je-There was a premature explorome. James Rooney and Joseph Ziefel sion. were blown to fragments and several others were injured.

"Still Waters Run Deep." In your body lies the vital fluid, the blood. It makes no noise, but it gives you life. If it is strong, pure, full in volume and vigorous, you

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it so, as nothing else can. Family Medicine-"We value Hood's Sarsaparilla very highly. When we feel the need of a medicine we take it and it

A stout cord is drawn tight around two upright slabs to prevent their springing boroRecord. asunder. A primitive violin bow is then constructed, the string of which is wound once around the piece of linden wood. by after a ten day's stay in Asheville. By moving the bow to and fro the cylindrical piece of wood is brought into rapid rotation, and through the heat of friction thus generated a piece of tinder inserted in the holes of the uprights is

ignited. In the autumn of 1899, while in the Kosmaj highlands, I saw the sacred fire left yesterday for their home, New Haproduced in a different manner. Two ven, Conn. peasants drove two semicylindrical pieces of wood into the ground and drew a rope linden wood was so inserted that it could kity several weeks, return home tobe readily rotated by means of a sim- | day. ple rope wrapped once around it, a device which was even more efficacious than that of the primitive violin bow and led

quickly to the desired end. The purpose for which the sacred Wana Luna Cup to be Contested for flame, or living fire, is used in the peas-

ants' homes remains to be explained. While on a scientific journey in the

had an opportunity of witnessing a ceremony which illustrated the uses of the sacred fire.

It was in the autumn. In the village of Setonje, at the foot of the Homolje mounoutside the village. One of them carried a copper kettle filled with water, the other an old house lock and key. The

words, she turned the lock and cast it, water. She then walked thrice around MRS. NATION WILL the village, repeating each time the same ceremony as she passed the "woman of the kettle."

In the meantime all the inhabitants of the village gathered together, arrayed in festive attire, having extinguished before leaving home the fires burning on their hearths. Two sturdy peasants then constructed on a hillock to the right of an oak tree a tunnel sufficiently high to enable a person to crawl through comfortably on all fours. Lengthwise in the tun- if elected to adopt no ordinance or nel a wide board was laid, and at its exit measure of importance to the town a second board was placed crosswise, the two together forming a T. In the meantime an old woman and an old man had kindled on both sides of the tunnel the "living fire." When everything was ready, the woman with the kettle took services. her place to the right of the fire at the entrance to the tunnel, and the woman with the lock was stationed at the other

To every one who crept through the tun- punishable by public whipping. nel she gave a sup of milk from a wooden spoon. At the other end of the tunnel stood a pot containing melted hog's fat,

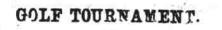
J. Wiley Shook, the well known poli- line. In addition to this it is stated tician of Asheville, is here.-Greens-

-Shelby Aurora.

Mr. Charles W. Parker is in Asheville.—Charlotte News.

Mirs. Harger and Miss Green, who have been staying at 73 Haywood street

Mrs. Kirk and Miss Kirk of East taut about them. The piece of light Orange, N. J., who have been in the



At Hot Springs Next Week.

The third annual golf tournament for interior of the great forest districts of the Wana Luna cup will take place at Servia several years ago I accidentally the Mountain park hotel, Hot Springs, next week. The program is as follows: Monday, 10 a. m., qualification round

for Wana Luna cup; 18 holes medal play, first 16 qualifies; 2:30 p. m., men's tains, there raged a general epidemic handicap 18 holes medal play; Tuesday, among the children, which the prejudiced 10 a. m., first round for Wana Luna peasantry concealed from the authorities cup, match play; 2:30 p. m., ladies' hanfor fear that the physician of the prov- dicap, 18 holes medal play; Wednesday, ince would visit the place. Two old wo- 10 a. m., second round Wana Luna men who were obliged by tradition to cup; 2:30 p.m., mixed foursome; Thurshave the names Stana (from stati, to day, 10 a.m., ladies' cup (from scratch) stand, not to spread) repaired to a spot 2:30 p. m., semi-finals for Wara Luna cup; Friday, 10 a. m., first round ladies cup; 2:30 p. m., driving contest: 4 p. first one then said, "Whither goest thou?" , m. approaching contest; Saturday, 10 a. Whereupon the one with the lock in her m., final for Wana Luna cup. 36 holes. hand answered, "I have come to lock out 18 holes in the morning and 18 in aftermisfortune from the village." With these noon. Final for ladies cup 18 holes.

ONE NEBRASKA TOWN

Concord, Neb., April 3 .- For the next year this town will be conducted under the advice of Carrie Nation. The temperanice people elected Judge Mitcheltree mayor and a full city council ticket. Before being noimnated the candidates pledged themselves to secure the service of Mrs. Nation as advisor and without receiving Mrs. Nation's approval. Two saloons of the town began packing up when they found Mrs. Nation was to run the town. An appropriation will be made for Mrs. Nation's It is said by some of Mrs. Nation's

admirers that it is proposed to prevent end. To the left of the exit a peasant smoking in the streets and theatricel woman with a large pot of milk stood. performances and make drunkeness

HELPS OVER THE HILL

that his relations with Bryan are cf more than ordinary friendship.

-FIERCE SNOW STORM

Pittsburg, April 3.-One of the worst snow storms ever experinced in this region began early this morning and telegraph, telephone and trolley cars service soon became practically suspended. Miles of poles are down, making the streets literally a network of The aling wires throughout wires. the outlying portions of the city made it extremely dangerous for pedestrians, iteamsters and street car men, but up to moon no fatalities have been reponted. The money damage in the city will be very heavy.

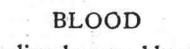
The clinging snow has broken dowi all the wres along the Pennsylvacia system between East Liberty and Hunitingiton. Trains are stalled at the value to points, the dispatchers are unable to straighte nout the tangle and the whole FREE Buffalo and Allegheny Valley system is in almost the same condition. On the Western New York and Pennsylvania division the snow is from ten to fiften inches deep, the wires are down and the train schedule has been abaudoned.

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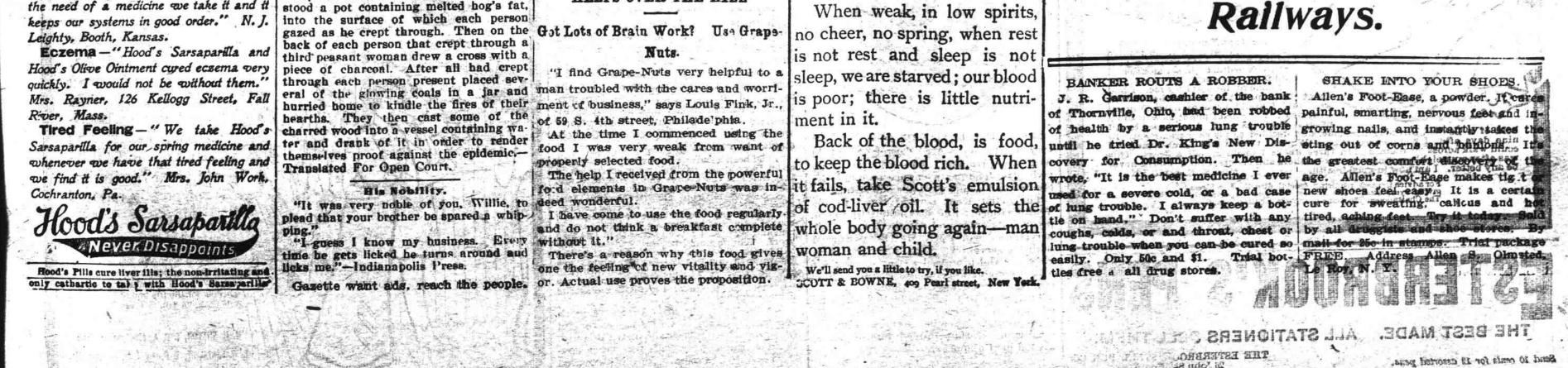
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