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EVENTS OF INTEREST IN THE LAND OF THE SKY

Gleanings From the Columns Of Local Papers in Various Towns of the Stat?

Corn is now selling at \$4.50 per barrel and meal at \$2 per sack. The farmer who last year put all his hopes in cotton and tobacco and cut his feed crops feels like ordering a large supply of automatic kicking machines and getting in close proximity to all of them. Nashville (N. C.) Graphic.

The cabbage snake made its personat appearance here last week. Mrs. Bulo Kennedy found one is preparing cabbage for dinner Monday. he thing is about the size of a pin and was 23 inches long. It was very much alive when discovered and twisted and tied itself into a bundle of knots. It is on exhibition at this office. Wilkesburo

The United States postal directory discloses the fact that Forsyth county has 32 postoffices and one postal station. Randolph county leads the state with 87 offices, and the state of Wilkes comes up with 81. Ashe county has 79, Guilford 54, Stokes 52, Surry 54, Dawidson 51, Davie 28, Yadkin 39. New Hanover has only 3 offices, Wilmington, Wrightsvills and Castle, Pasquotank and Jones counties have 9 offices

Mining Company Incorporated. Albany, N. Y., Jan. 27 .- The Manhattan Mining company of New York city. capital \$360,000, has been incorporated

to operate in Arkansas or elsewhere. The directors are John H. Richter and John L. Anderson, of New York city; Thomas J. Keenan, of Pittsburg, and Edward J. Millspaugh, of Utica, and Daniel A. Pierce, of Syracuse.

Two Killed In Freight Wreck. Leadville, Col., Jan. 27,-A freight wreck on the Rio Grande railroad at Pando, 20 miles west of Leadville, resulted in the death of Engineer J. P. Reddy and Fireman Healy, both of Salida. Brakeman Kelly was badly injured. The locomotive and 16 freight cars were destroyed by fire.

PRICE OF LACE CAUSES FIGHT.

Excitement In Dry Goods Store at Greenville, S. C.

Greenville, S. C., Jan. 27.-While attending a bargain sale in a leading dry goods store here yesterday two of Greenville's leading society women became involved in a fisticuff. The affair began in a quarrel over the ownership of a piece of lace. Both young ladies claimed the lace and a wrangle occurred in which hot words were passed. With every word the two ladies became more enraged. One slapped the other in the face, which brought forth a scream that was heard throughout the crowded store. friend interfered and prevented any further trouble.

There were over 100 lady customers present and the incident created great excitement for a short time.

The news of the "scrap" soon spread, and it is the talk of the city. The incident is noteworthy because of the prominence of the ladies concerned. One is a very beautiful, graceful dancer and exceedingly popular. The other is a member of several ladies' clubs and the wife of a prominent bus-

is Absorbing Other Bodies.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 27,-The Amer ican Guild, of Richmond, of which ex-Governor Charles T. O'Ferrall is president, is absorbing other beneficial organizations of the south. The Knights of Damon, of Macon, Ga., has already gone into the American Guild, and gotiations for taking the Anvil, of Savannah, Ga., into the consolidation are now under way. The American Guild | convict labor. has a membership of 9,000, with about \$12,000,000 insurance in force.

Wofford Chooses Speakers.

Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 27.-The election of speakers for the annual Wofford college sophomore exhibition took place yesterday morning with the following results: Speakers, Calhoun society, Burnett, Candler and Cannon; Preston society, Harden, Harmon and Moore. Presiding officer, V. V. Niver, Marshals, Glove, chief: Calhoun socie ty, Lawton, Turner and Cottingham; Preston society, Smith, Herbert and

Aged Missionary Dead.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 27.—A tele gram to Bishop Capers yesterday conveyed the intelligence of the death of the Rev. John G. McCullough, D. D. which occurred at Walhalla after a long illness. The venerable minister, who had spent his life in mission work in the upper portion of the state, had reached the ripe old age of 82 years.

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\$15,000 for a Leg.

New York, Jan. 27.-A verdict of \$15,000 damages has been awarded by a jury in the Hudson county, N. J. circuit court in favor of Michael Paganini against the North Jersey Street Railway company for the loss of a leg cut off by a trolley car Jan. 26, 1900. Paganini is a violinist and a grandson of the famous Paganini. The car started as he was getting off the front platform.

Manchurian Treaty.

Pekin, Jan. 27.—It is expected that the Manchurian treaty will be signed within a week. Diplomats here do not manifest much interest in it, as they do not believe any written treaties will in the slightest degree affect the policy of Russia in Manchuria. A separate contract with the Russo-Chinese bank secures to the bank complete control of the railroads and mines.

Memphis To Observe the Day. Memphis, Jan. 27.—Acting Mayor B. R. Henderson has issued a proclamation calling upon the city schools and public institutions to observe Wednesday, Jan. 29, as McKinley memorial day, and requesting that contributions be made to the memorial fund. The churches are asked to take up collections for the same purpose on Sunday, Jan. 26.

State Fertilizer Plant Columbia, S. C., Jan. 27 .- The house of representatives today passed a res olution to appoint a commission to take steps to establish a state fertili izer plant to use the state's phosphate rock and to operate the factory with

Solons Will Visit Exposition. Columbia, S. C., Jan. 27.—The legis lature of South Carolina has accepted the invitation of the Charleston expo sition directors and will vist the fair next Thursday and Friday and Satur

Meets at Charlotte In May. Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 27.—One of the largest labor organizations in the country, the United Textile Workers of

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SPARTAN SCHOOL FOR BOYS Novel Institution In Germany Whiele

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No boy is allowed to be idle for a moment. If his studies are ended, he must begin another sort of work, if it is only cleaning windows. Absolute cleanliness is enforced. The boys are constantly washing, swimming, scrubbing their bodies or scouring their clothes.

In summer the boys rise at 4:30 o'clock and in winter at 6 o'clock. The greater part of the time they spend in the open air, and most of their lessons are prepared out of doors. Sickness is practically unknown. The lads are encouraged to bear pain of all sorts, although cruelty is forbidden.

The success of the establishment has been so great that Professor Ringel intends to open a girls' schoolroom on the same lines. His idea about girls, however, is that they are not to be taught as scholars, but to become good housekeepers. The less a woman knows outside of her own house, says Professor Ringel, the better.

ODD DENTAL OPERATION.

New Use For Hydraulic Passenger Elevators Discovered.

"Wow, wow, wow!" groaned a telegraph messenger, holding his face in his hands while the salt tears coursed down his grimy cheeks as he staggered into the passenger elevator of a downtown building in Philadelphia the other evening.

"What's the matter, kid?" queried the youth at the elevator lever. "Me toot! Me toot! It aches bad an all de dentisses shops is shet up this time o' night!" wailed the messenger. "Lemme look at yer tooth," said the

'Say," he continued, after a pries inpection, "lemme take it out fer ye.

"Sure!" replied the messenger. In a jiffy one end of a stout bow string was looped around the aching tooth and the other end tied fast to the sliding door of the elevator. Then the elevator boy moved the lever, the car shot downward, and to the accompaniment of a yelp from the messenger the tooth leaped from his jaw, says the Philadelphia Press. For a moment the lad was angry enough to fight his benefactor, but gratitude finally prevailed. and he went away rejoicing.

When the elevator boy tells the story. he begins by saying, "I performed a dental operation," for all the world as if he lived in Boston instead of Phila-

Butterfly Breeding a Crase.

Butterfly breeding seems to be the latest craze that fashionable folk have taken up in London. The originator of this pretty pursuit, which is more scientific than fads usually are, is believed to be Miss Baden-Powell, the sister of the hero of Mafeking. Miss Powell, I am told, writes the correspondent of the New York Herald. breeds a large number of butterflies ln her drawing room. Mr. Lionel Roths child is also possessed of this hobby whose votaries include a number of other well known persons.

A recent importation from Paris is an exceptionally handsome reception gown of green velvet combined with white. cloth, gold braid and black chenille embroidery; a feature of the bodice was a large fur incrusted collar.

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