

NEWS NOTES OF NORTH CAROLINA

Ensign Young Was a Horner Student
Oxford.—Much interest and sympathy is felt and expressed here, in the accounts of the sudden disappearance of Ensign Young, of the torpedo boat Perkins. The young man is well and most favorably remembered here as a cadet of Horner School before entering Annapolis.

12 Months for Selling Oleomargarine
Asheville.—The trial of Peter Kernan, charged by the government with making and selling illegally oleomargarine as country butter came to an abrupt close yesterday when counsel for Kernan submitted to a plea of guilty on three of the eight counts. Judge Boyd sentenced Kernan to twelve months in Atlanta prison.

Rowan Man Killed in Tennessee
Salisbury.—J. N. Carter, of Rowan county, was shot and killed Monday near Elawah, Tenn., by an unknown young man with whom he was traveling temporarily. The information received here fails to state whether or not his assailant was captured. Carter was a son of J. T. Carter, of Rowan, and is said to have a wife at Gold Hill.

Oleomargarine Case to Be Heard
Asheville.—United States circuit and district court convened here today with Judge James E. Boyd presiding. The first case on the criminal side of the docket that will be taken up will be that of United States vs. Peter Kernan. This is an important case and is an indictment by the government charging the defendant with the unlawful sale of oleomargarine in Asheville.

Destructive Hail Storm
Apex.—A terrible rain and hail storm swept over the tobacco district yesterday, practically destroying the tobacco in a strip of country some two miles wide. The damage is estimated at \$50,000. The Apex section has been hit hard this year, besides the recent fires in Apex, when several buildings were destroyed, there was a big windstorm earlier in the summer, which did some damage.

Bad Fire at Goldsboro
Goldsboro.—This city was visited by a bad fire Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock which destroyed a two-story brick building occupied as a clothing store by George Mansour, on Walnut street. The entire stock of goods, valued at \$5,000, was destroyed, and was insured for \$2,000. By excellent work the fire department saved adjoining buildings, which were for a while also threatened by the above conflagration.

Pardoned to Save His Eye
Raleigh.—McKinnon Williams, who is serving six months in Harnett county for abandonment, is pardoned by Governor Kitchin in order that he may go to a hospital to have an eye removed in order that he may save the other one. He is to give \$500 bond for good behavior and as a guarantee that he will contribute as much as \$10 per month toward the support of his wife, the payments to begin six months hence.

Recommends Educational Building
Raleigh.—The Wake county grand jury, in its final report to the court just filed, recommends that an educational building be erected adjacent to the present courthouse to provide ample quarters for the county superintendent of public instruction and the county board of education. The reason for this is set out to be that the courthouse is now overcrowded with offices and the Wake educational department is in great need of adequate quarters.

Fined \$175 For Shooting Man
Wadesboro, July 19.—Tobe Lowry, colored, pleaded guilty Tuesday in the recorder's court, to shooting Barnum Johnson, also colored. Ten days ago Lowry met Johnson on the street and pulled out his pistol and shot Johnson four times. For several days Johnson was in a serious condition and will probably never get entirely well. Lowry was fined \$175 and costs by Judge Brock. This is one of the largest fines ever imposed in this county.

Jailed on Charge of Murder
Smithfield.—Alex Jernigan, was brought to jail here Monday by Deputy Sheriff Wall, of Oneals township, being committed without bail for killing Mr. Todd some days ago near Wendell, but across the line in Johnston. Jernigan claims that he killed to save his own life, that Todd had struck him in the breast on the head with knucks and he was afraid he would be killed. The preliminary hearing will take place next Monday before Justice Richardson, of Oneals.

Another Lot of Cocaine Retailers
Greensboro.—About two weeks ago six negro men were convicted in the city court for peddling cocaine in Greensboro. Saturday night, with the aid of two young white men, who use the drug, the police rounded up six negro women retailers. In the city court the evidence being conclusive, Judge Hines gave the entire six sentences to the county workhouse of from eight to eleven months each. This makes an even dozen men and women now working for the county and state, who were caught and convicted of retailing cocaine here in the last two weeks.

Ladies Hurt in Runaway
Asheville.—Miss Dora Revis, Miss Lauretta Hall and a small child, of Asheville were victims of a serious

if not fatal runaway accident yesterday afternoon while out driving. It seems that they were going over a paved street, when one of the wheels of the buggy came off and the horse ran. All three occupants were thrown to the pavement and against the curbing. Miss Revis and the child escaped with slight bruises, Miss Hall, however, is in a critical condition. Both hips were broken and she was otherwise injured.

Charlotte Saved From Water Famine
Charlotte.—Charlotte's impending water famine has been temporarily staved off by the completion of a line of water pipe to Stewart's creek, where an auxiliary pumping station will be put into operation at once. Some parts of the machinery has not yet arrived, but they are expected by the end of the present week. In the meantime temporary parts will be put in and the city will begin to draw water from the new source within thirty-six hours, according to superintendent of the waterworks, West.

Adjusting Differences With Employees
Wilmington.—A committee of machinists from the three divisions of the Atlantic Coast Line between Richmond, Va., and Tampa, Fla., had a conference with General Manager W. N. Royall, it being stated that all matters of differences are in process of adjustment and will be amicably settled. The committee on grievances of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is also here in regular annual session, asking for certain trifling adjustments and conditions of employment which are expected to be settled within a day or two without friction.

Mill Employee Killed
Salisbury.—Word has been received here of the tragic death at Kannapolis of George, the 17-year-old son of Mr. J. M. Jones, of that place. The young man was employed in the Patterson cotton mill at Kannapolis as head doffer in the spinning room, where each spinning frame is driven by an 8-horse-power electric motor. Young Jones was bearing down on the transmission with one foot, getting in readiness for the doffers, when all of a sudden he roeled and fell against a spinning frame where he hung until the power could be thrown off and his body could be taken out. Just how the accident occurred may never be known.

Preacher Is a Scrapper
New Bern.—At a climax to a war waged against saloons in New Bern by Rev. A. C. Shuler, the former Atlanta minister, Mr. Shuler was attacked in the streets of New Bern by Baker Brown, a near-beer dealer up to July 1st, and preacher and saloonist engaged in a fist fight. Although Brown is the heavier of the two men and is regarded, it is said, as invincible as a scrapper, Mr. Shuler, according to reports, won the decision, almost administering a "knock-out." When Shuler finally stopped the combat Brown is said to have been on his knees, brought there by a punch over the heart, and was almost "all in."

Receiver for W. E. Worth
Wilmington.—Marsden Bellamy, Jr., an attorney of this city, has been named as receiver of William E. Worth and duly qualified yesterday. He was appointed by Judge Connor. Several months ago the Knickerbocker Trust Company, of New York, secured a judgment against William E. Worth for approximately thirty thousand dollars, this being the alleged amount due on unpaid subscription to stock in the Rockingham Power Company. Following the judgment execution was issued, and it was found that Mr. Worth had but little property. Supplemental proceedings were then resorted to, and it was a result of these proceedings that the action was taken asking for the appointment of a receiver. Mr. Worth is one of the most prominent business men in Wilmington.

Rather Freakish
Mayor Gaynor, at a dinner in Brooklyn, condemned certain ideas of civil service that a German visitor from Berlin had recommended. "Those ideas may do well in Berlin," he said, "but I don't think they'd do well here. We are opposed to freaks, and this new sort of civil service examination is as freakish as Old Sleuth's."
"Old Sleuth, the detective chief, was once examining a new applicant for the detective bureau. He thrust into the young man's hand a pale mass of ruffles and lace and cambric—a woman's skirt—and: "Find the pocket in that," he said. "But the applicant shook his head." "No, chief," he admitted frankly. "That's beyond me."
"Then Old Sleuth slapped him heartily on the back."
"If you're smart enough my boy, he cried, 'to know it's no use to look for the pocket in a woman's skirt, you're smart enough to be a detective. Here's your star.'"

Saved Two Lives
"Neither my sister nor myself might be living today, if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery" writes Od vbgkj emfw mfw emfwpyw A. D. McDonald of Fayetteville, N. C. R. F. D. No 5. "for we both had frightful coughs that no other remedy could help. We were told my sister had consumption. She was very weak and had night sweats but your wonderful medicine completely cured us both. It's the best I ever used or heard of." For sore lungs, coughs, colds, hemorrhage, agrippa, asthma, hay fever, croup, whooping cough,—all bronchial troubles,—it's supreme. Trial bottle bottle free, 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by H. Blackhall & Son.

NORTH CAROLINA IN THE YEAR 1781

Autograph Letter of Gov. Nash Describes Colonial Conditions

An interesting letter from Abner Nash, governor of North Carolina, and member of the continental congress, to General Nathaniel Greene, Granville county, May 24, 1781, brought \$26 at auction in Philadelphia a few days ago. Nash, whose autograph is rare, gives in the letter an account of the deplorable condition of affairs in this state at that trying period, when General Greene was trying to defeat the British forces under Lord Cornwallis. Nash writes:

"All my endeavors to raise the militia, even to obstruct the march of Lord Cornwallis through this state, proved in vain. I was myself, in their front most of the way, but able to effect nothing. They have now passed over Roanoke into Virginia, where the joined enemy are greatly an overmatch for the Marquis (La Fayette). His force is not only small but he mentions in the letter of the 15th that he knows nothing of the Pennsylvania troops."
"The Virginia militia are for the present fresh and spirited, and I hope they will prove of great support to the Marquis. Our militia, especially of the lower parts, are good for nothing. I congratulate you, sir, on your success against the enemy to the southward, their being compelled by the judicious methods you took to abandon their strong posts in the heart of the country."
"The Marquis is very public spirited and disinterested. He wishes me to have much more at heart the reinforcing of you than himself. Great numbers have taken protection on parole of Lord Cornwallis on his march through the country, and parties of robbers, commanded by officers of his commissions are ranging through the country committing murders, robberies and every species of enormity. Could you permit Gen. Sumner to remain a while to assist in punishing the guilty and in recovering Wilmington, it would be of the greatest consequence to this poor, distressed and wretched country."

In the course of nine months General Greene recovered from the British the three southern states, North and South Carolina and Georgia, and at the close of 1781, had all of the enemy's forces south of Virginia hemmed within the cities of Charleston and Savannah.

The Water Elephant.
M. Le Petit, a French naturalist, who was sent by the Museum of Natural History in Paris to explore certain regions of central Africa, has made a report to that institution of the existence of a new species of elephant. It has been surmised for some time that certain of the lake regions were inhabited by enormous semi-aquatic animals, and it was partly to settle this question that Le Petit penetrated the Congo region where, on the north bank of Lake Leopold II, he was at last rewarded for his pains. He learned from the natives that these mysterious animals, though seldom seen, left tracks in the earth like those of no other quadruped, and that there was a tradition that the lakes had first been found by following this trail.
Given this clue Le Petit divided his company into bands of five individuals apiece and sent them to reconnoitre. They were rewarded on several occasions by seeing these curious creatures, once at a distance of 500 metres. The trunks and ears of the water elephant are said to be very short, but the neck is enormously out of proportion and measures much more than that of the land elephant. The height is but two metres. They are exceedingly agile, and it is not easy to hunt them for several different reasons; for one thing, they seem to have a signal which suffices as a danger warning to their tribe; then they make for the water with cat-like swiftness, and once therein swim rapidly, nothing appearing on the surface but the head and the tip of the trunk. They quickly become lost to view, and the observer from land would have to be unusually alert to take aim, even if he were quizzic enough to suppose that his ammunition would penetrate such tough hides. The prospect that the water elephant will travel with our circuses in future is not promising.—Harper's Weekly.

A Slight Mistake.
Oliver Herford once entered a doubtful looking restaurant in a small New York town and ordered a lamb chop. After a long delay the waiter returned, bearing a plate on which reposed a dab of mashed potatoes and a much overdone chop of microscopic proportions with a remarkably long and slender rib attached. This the waiter set down before him and then hurried away.
"See here!" balled Herford, "I ordered a chop."
"Yes, sir," replied the man, "there it is."
"Ah, so it is," mused Herford, peering at it closely, "I thought it was a crack in the plate."—Toledo Blade.

A Fast Talker.
The orator spoke about the things he had not said, the things he did not believe, and the things he would not do.
"That fellow," observed the sailor, "is talking at the rate of about 30 knots an hour."—Judge.

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