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The Three Travellers.

BY JOHN G. SAKE.

Three travellers, once on a time, (As ancient story goes) Together reached a country inn, And sought a night's repose.

One was a Judge, of merry mien, Altho' his locks were gray; The second was a Parson grave; The third, a Captain gay.

"Alas!" the civil host replied, "You're welcome to my fare; But on my word, the 'Golden Swan' Has but one bed to spare!"

"In such a case it were but just," The weary travellers said, "The landlord should himself decide Which one shall have the bed."

"Well, be it so," mine host replied; "To me 'tis all the same; Now, gentlemen, I pray, proceed— Let each assert his claim."

The captain was the first to speak, And by his sword he swore That he had lain in garrison A dozen years and more.

His honor then put in his claim: "For twice as long as that I've worn the ermine of a judge, And on the bench have sat."

The Parson said: "I serve the church; In this my claim appears That in the sacred ministry I've stood for thirty years."

"The case is settled!" said mine host; "The Parson's right is best; To lie, or sit—'tis very clear— Affords a deal of rest."

"But one who like this worthy man," The laughing landlord said, "Has stood (God help him!) thirty years May fairly claim the bed!"

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

A SHORT SKETCH OF WHAT IT IS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE IN SEARCH OF COMFORTABLE HOMES, &c., &c., &c.

Franklin County is situated just above the level region of the long leaf pine, and in the edge of the rolling land. It contains a little over 400 square miles and is bounded by the counties of Wake, Granville, Vance, Warren and Nash, and has the climate of Raleigh, and for health it can not be surpassed. It has a population of 20,829, by the census for 1880. Its people are principally engaged in agriculture and are noted for their intelligent, hospitable, moral, law-abiding, generous and tolerant character, and to those desiring homes among such people, where land can be purchased cheap, taxes are light, and where, with moderate labor and ease, fortunes may be accumulated, the county presents a most inviting field.

Abundant springs of pure water of the best quality are found in every section of the county, and it is well watered throughout. Tar River runs diagonally through the county and upon this stream there is valuable water power, especially in Louisburg, on Cedar Creek, Sandy Creek, Lynch's Creek and a number of other never failing streams, there are excellent mill sites and a number of fine mills. At Laurel, on Sandy Creek, there is a cotton mill which has been in successful operation for many years, and there is ample water power in the county for large and extensive factories.

Prior to the late war cotton, tobacco and hops were raised for market and corn, wheat, oats, rye, peas, &c., were produced in large quantities. Since the war, until recently, cotton has been the chief market crop, the annual yield averaging over 12,000 bales, and the average yield per acre being greater than that of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida or Texas, and its quality of a superior grade. For many years the late Henry Pearce raised, upon an average over one and one half acres to the acre, and in 1880, on 42 acres of land he produced 63 bales, averaging 475 pounds and on 28 acres he made 59 bales. In addition to his cotton crop, he made an abundant supply of corn, oats, wheat, peas, hops, &c. Recently our farmers have turned their attention to raising tobacco and for the Yellow Tobacco, the county is fast taking its place in the front rank. Last year from seven acres, Mr. Don Best realized \$2,345, and on land that can be purchased at \$5.00 PER ACRE, TOBACCO CAN BE PRODUCED EQUAL TO ANY IN THE STATE OR IN THE WORLD. Our lands are coming into demand for tobacco and to the enterprising farmer in what have

been hitherto regarded as the more favored tobacco sections the county presents a field for investment rarely equalled.

The Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road passes through the Western part of the county and there is a branch Rail Road from Franklinton to Louisburg, the county seat. Land near the rail road can be purchased at from \$8 to \$20 per acre, and land a few miles off from the rail road, of equal or greater fertility, can be purchased at from \$4 to \$6 per acre. Many tracts of land can be purchased at five or six dollars per acre.

Two Warehouses for the sale of tobacco will be opened at Louisburg in September, and in the phrase of the day, the county is on a boom. In the South Eastern part of the county there are considerable forests of long-leaf pine, with oak, of many kinds, hickory, ash, maple, gum, elm, &c., while in the Western and Northern portion of the county, yellow pine, oak, hickory, maple, dogwood and a great variety of other trees grow. The old-field pine, which so rapidly restores exhausted land, grows with great luxuriance, and in many places buds ones worn out, are restored to their original fertility and are admirably adapted to cotton, tobacco, and other crops.

All the fruits of this latitude and climate can be successfully produced in great quantities in Franklin. Apples, Pears, Grapes, Figs, Melons, Strawberries and many other varieties of fruits flourish in the county and can be rapidly raised for market.

In the North Eastern part of the county there are valuable gold mines, from one of which (the Fort Mine) Gold, to the value of more than \$1,000,000 has been taken. These mines present a most inviting field for capital and enterprise.

The religious character of the people of the county is very high, the leading denominations being Baptist and Methodist. It has the common-school system of the State with schools of higher grade at Louisburg and Franklinton. The Female College, at the latter place, has raised the career of prosperity, under Prof. Bagley.

To men desiring farms, no section presents greater inducements and to men desiring to engage in the undeveloped field of manufactures and to make available the resources of the water power of the county and the woods of the forest, there is ample scope or untold wealth, and from mines that have yielded in the past, more than a million of dollars in gold, many millions more can be taken.

If men go to the wild woods of the West they can only gain a success by energy and industry. With the same energy and industry here they can succeed as well and better, and that without the discomforts of a new country.

The Rev. Geo. H. Thayer, of Bourbon, Ind., says: "Both myself and wife owe our lives to Shiloh's consumption cure. For sale by Furman.

Why will you cough when Shiloh's cure will give immediate relief. Price 10 cts., 50 cts., and \$1. Sold by Furman.

Modern Bee Culture.

Front The Western Apianist. Comparatively few people outside of those actively engaged in bee culture as a business have an idea of the improvements and discoveries which have within the past five years been made in that line. Bee Keeping is no longer a game of chance; but if an industry has been made a science, such a claim may now be made by the progressive apianist.

The first great improvement was the invention of the movable frame hive and devices by which the bees were caused to build their combs straight in the frames, so that any comb could be readily taken out of the hive at will, and all parts critically examined. Next was the introduction of improved races of bees from all parts of the world. The Italians and Carniolans, we believe, still hold the supremacy as superior in most respects to all others. The queen being the mother of the whole colony, and the worker bees being short-lived, a removal of the native queen from any hive, and a fertile Italian queen substituted, but a few weeks is required to cause the whole colony to become Italian. Another new era dawned on the bee keeping world with the introduction of machinery for making comb foundation. This is simply a thin sheet of wax pressed to represent the base or bottom of the whole sheet of cells, when a frame is filled with this foundation, the bees very quickly build out the cells, thus forming a complete sheet of comb straight at the frame. Waxed colonies can be very rapidly built up with this help, and strong ones rapidly multiplied and divided. The introduction of centrifugal machinery by which honey is emptied from the comb, thus allowing the combs to be replaced and re-

filled was also a long step forward for those who wish to obtain large quantities of pure extracted honey, for it is found that it costs the bees more time to build one comb than to fill several; and as honey is not always abundant in the fields short periods of bloom when certain classes of flowers are abundant, and being supplied with empty combs at just the right time, will be filled with surprising rapidity. Honey is a vegetable product secreted by the flowers; each flower secretes honey of its own particular flavor, distinguished from the source of bloom gathered from; as: manzanita, white-seed clover, &c.

The raising of queen bees is another rapidly growing industry in the U. S. So bee-keeping, like other industries, to become profitable, must be studied and a systematic and intelligent care bestowed upon them.

Will you suffer from dyspepsia and liver complaint? Shiloh's Bile Beans is guaranteed to cure you. For sale at Furman's drug store.

DAWN.

There is a faint ray of dawn on the horizon of road improvements in our country. This ray is rather faint as yet, in fact so faint that only knowing ones can see it. As the Mohammedan bow to the rising sun in silent prayer, so our people must fervently and sincerely pray that this faint ray of light will increase, enlarge and envelop our whole country into one great and glorious, ENLIGHTENED and grand county of good public roads, improved value of lands and an example to our sister counties. A good PUBLIC ROAD is a PUBLIC TRUST. And those that do not fulfill this trust are not only traitors to their cause, but are criminally negligent of their sworn duties.

Our bad roads have driven out and kept out of our county hundreds of thousands of dollars of capital, have hurt our farming industry, have given our people an excuse for being lazy.—Salisbury Herald.

THE NEW DISCOVERY.

You have heard your friends and neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is that when once given a trial, Mr. King's New Discovery never afterwards holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, cold or any throat lung or chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed every line or money refunded. Trial bottles free at Furman's drug store.

LORD, DELIVER US!

The Northern protectionists, through the National Republican League, have decided to hold the South and Southwest next year, through Nashville, Tenn., in which city it was lately decided at Saratoga to hold the next annual meeting of the League.

Magnates, monopolists and "money-devils" are to invade us by the Pullman palace-car load; they are to din our ears with protection speeches, besiege us with high tariff heresies, and belabor us with countless documents for our conversion from the error of our ways, the "solid south" is to be irrevocably broken by the inroads of these political empiricists, who are to be brought down into this wilderness solely from their love for their erring brethren of the Southern States.

Here and there they will be fettered and censored, as they stumble across some little "rotten borough" of a protection clique [they will be treated with civility and courtesy everywhere] but we predict such "cold comfort" as the fruit of their invasion that their abuse of us on their return home will far surpass the eagerness of their coming. As Senator Vance once said of a similar intrusion: "They'll eat my victuals and they'll drink my tea, then go about town and talk about 'em."

A SOUND LEGAL OPINION.

E. Bainbridge, Mealy Esq., County Atty. Clay Co., Tex. says: "Have read Electric Bitters with most happy results. My brother also was very low with malarial fever and jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine. Am satisfied Electric Bitters saved his life."

Mr. D. I. Wilcoxson, Horse Cave, Ky., adds a like testimony, saying: "He positively would have died, had it not been for Electric Bitters."

This great remedy will ward off, as well as cure all malarial diseases, and for all kidney, liver and stomach disorders stands unequalled. Price 50c. and \$1 at Furman's.

CHOOSING A PROFESSION.

Twenty years ago, Thomas Scott, of Pennsylvania, one of the shrewdest of millway men, spent a few days in a country village. An active, bright-faced boy in the house where he board-

ed attracted his notice. He asked the school-master what was the capacity of the lad.

"He is dull," was the reply; "thick-headed and incapable, though willing enough to learn. His father wishes to make a chemist of him, but he cannot master the first principles of science."

Mr. Scott, watching the lad, observed that in the affairs of daily life his judgment was clear and just, and his observation keen. He showed, too, a singular faculty for managing his school-fellows. The boy's parents were induced to take him from school, and Mr. Scott gave him work in the yard of a railway.

"Now," he said, "you have no longer to do with books, but with things and men. Make your own way. I believe you can do it."

It was the first time the boy had been told that he was not wholly a dolt. He proved to be energetic, intelligent and enthusiastic in his work. There was a certain firmness and cordiality in his manner which gave him control over his associates. He was soon upon the road in charge of a gang of men. A few years later, when Mr. Scott came that way again, the young man was superintendent of a division. He afterwards rose steadily to the front rank of his profession.

A boy is apt to be influenced in the choice of his life-work by some accident or petty motive. His father and grandfather have been successful physicians, or manufacturers, or butchers, and it seems natural and right for him to follow in their footsteps. Or his intimate friend at college is going to study law, and he must do the same.

Sometimes a pious father and mother cherish a fond hope that the boy will devote his life to preaching the gospel, and, rather than disappoint them, he does it, with no real zeal in the work.

In each case the lad's life is a failure for the want of a little deliberation and a careful examination of his natural abilities.

Are you made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, yellow skin? Shiloh's Bile Beans is a positive cure. Sold by Furman.

Group whooping cough and Bronchitis immediately relieved by Shiloh's cure. For sale at Furman's drug store.

Utterly cured, health and sweet breath secured, by Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents. Nasal Injector free. For sale at Furman's drug store.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

Clean brasses or rubagony or other furniture by rubbing with chamomile skin dipped in either powdered whiting or rotten stone mixed with sweet oil.

For inexpensive bands for curtains, take strips of cretonne with pretty vines or figures and outline them with tinsel; it has the effect of old tapestry work.

Save all your broken and crooked carpet tacks, and keep them in a box in the kitchen for cleaning bottles. They are better than shot for the sharp edges scrape off all the stains.

Whole cloves are now used to exterminate the meecious and industrious moth. It is said they are more effective as a destroying agent than either tobacco, camphor or cedar shavings.

Do not scrape the inside of frying pans, as after this any preparation fried is liable to catch or burn to the pan. If the pan has a black inside rub it with a crust of bread and wash in hot water, mixed with a little soda.

To give bed clothing and under clothing a thorough sunning and airing it is the next best thing to washing it. A second sort of underclothing should be on hand for afternoon wear, and what is taken off be thoroughly aired and dried before hanging in the closet.

If you have a lace or a black grenadine dress that has turned rusty and brown, mix two teaspoonsful of ammonia in a cupful of vinegar, and after rippling the dress and shaking it thoroughly, wipe it over lightly with a piece of soft old bed tick dipped in the mixture. Iron on the wrong side.

A good cleaning powder for

windows and mirrors is prepared by moistening calcined magnesia with pure bicarbonate, so that a mass will be formed sufficiently moist to let a drop form when pressed. The mixture has to be preserved in glass bottles with ground stoppers, in order to retain the easily volatile benzine. A little of the mixture is placed on a wad of cotton and applied to the glass plate. Do not use neat fire or light, as the benzine vapor is very inflammable and explosive.

Do not take those blue, cathartic pills, one of Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Pills, which subject you to more agonies.

People of digestion must guarders of the liver, and the cathartics have demanded, Dr. J. H. McLean's Bile Beans, which perfects the process of digestion, and thus makes pure blood.

There are times when a feeling of lassitude will, overcome the most robust, when the system craves for pure blood, to furnish the elements of health and strength. The best remedy for purifying the blood is Dr. J. H. McLean's Serravallo's.

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"I believe your name is—?" "That's my name," said my friend; "but you've the advantage of me; I don't know yours."

"Do you remember telling a boy once about somebody who wanted help? You were with another gentleman in front of a store on Washington street?" "I believe I do, said my friend, after some hesitation. 'I was speaking about it the other day. I lied to you, sir, I know, and have felt pretty sore for it since.'

"Oh, no; you didn't lie," said the young man. "That is to say Mr. did want to hire a boy. He hired me, and I am his manager. Here is my card. I shall be happy if I can repay you."

My friend showed me the card a few days later. The firm whose name is on it is doing a business of several hundred thousand dollars a year in this city.—Boston Globe.

Even the most vigorous and hearty people have at times a feeling of weariness and lassitude. To dispel this feeling take Dr. J. H. McLean's Serravallo's; it will impart vigor and vitality.

The most delicate constitution can safely use Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm. It is a sure remedy for coughs, loss of voice and all throat and lung troubles.

Every boy should have his head, his hair and his hands educated. Let his truth never be forgotten.

By the proper education of the head he will be taught what is good and what is evil, what is wise and what is foolish, what is right and what is wrong.

By the proper education of the heart, he will be taught to love what is good, wise and right, and to hate what is evil, foolish and wrong.

By the proper education of the hand, he will be able to supply his wants, add to his comforts, and to assist others.

The highest objects of a good education are, to reverence and obey God, to love and serve mankind. Everything that helps us in attaining these objects is of great value; and everything that hinders us is comparatively worthless.

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A PARALLEL.

Between Eugene Harrel and Eugene Grieson, North Carolina made a reputation for its desire to kiss every rank of women.—Sanford Express.

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