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Needs No More Legislation, Until Present Laws Are Executed

CORRESPONDENT ASKS SOME POINTED QUESTIONS AND GIVES PRACTICAL OPINIONS.

Buxton, N. C., Feb. 4.

Editor Tar Heel. For several issues of your paper have noticed articles from different sections of the fishing country along the sounds condemning pound nets. No one seems to think of any other kind of net or any other method of destruction except pound nets that are destroying our fish supply. seems that pound nets were first used extensively in the upper Albemarle sound and gradually worked east and south until they are now used along the entire length of Albemarle, Croatan, Roanoke and Pamlico sounds and much of their tributaries. When they were first introduced in Albemarle and Croatan sounds they were profitable and we heard no complaint from these sections of their use; but later when the fishermen of upper Pamlico began to use them extensively and the supply of fish (especially shad) began to grow less the fishermen of the upper sound sections began to complain and ask that their use be restricted, &c. I am told by some of the oldest fishermen of this section that way along in the '70s, before pound nets were thought of, and very few gill nets were fished south of Stumpy Point, that they used to go up sound and fish for the Wood's, Skinner's, and Capehart's and if the season was not a good one the blame was placed on the fishermen of this too near the inlets and stopping the fish from going up sound.

Now, any one who is acquainted with conditions around these inlets knows how impossible it is to stop them with nets so fish cannot get in The swift tides, the changing currents and great amount of trash and drift that comes down through the them from the rivers and make it impossible to keep any kinds of nets in shape

to catch fish near the inlets.

As fishermen have no other occupation to follow it seems the people of this section would be able to see their own interest in the matter and be willing to do the best thing for their general good. This I believe they are willing to do when they see they are not expected to make all the sacrifice and the other sections make none. Any one interested in this subject (and the whole state should be) by taking a chart of the North Carolina coast and examining it will see that of the whole coast south of Cape Henry, Va., there are two small inlet north of Cape Hatteras through which fish can enter the sounds of North Carolina. One of these (New Inlet) is practically closed and the other (Oregon) is perhaps, 2 miles wide

About 10 miles southwest of Cape Hatteras we have Hatteras Inlet perhaps, 1 mile wide and about 15 miles southwest of this is Ocrasoke Inlet perhaps 2 miles wide. I am told that so few shad enter Beaufort Inlet that shad nets are not fished in that section at all. This leaves Oregon, New, Hatteras, and Ocracoke Inlets the only points of enterance for shad along the North Carolina coast.

Now, it is understood that shad start north from some point or place in the warm tropical waters of the obstruct or impede the progress Gulf and they are caught from Flori da on up the coast to Maine—the mar kets showing the advance north by quoting shad from different localities. In this migration north the fish are or nearly fresh water for the purpose of spawning or depositing their eggs. Also, their progress north is dependent to a great extent upon the temperature of the water of the ocean, hence in very cold winters shad come late and in warm winters they come early. This being the case it is natural that the greater bulk of the fish follow close to the warm water of the gulf stream as they go north from Florida and by so doing very few of these subjects. them enter the inlets in the bend of the coast southwest of Cape Hatteras.

This accounts for so few entering at Beaufort, Ocracoke and Hatteras Inlets. After passing Cape Hatterin the coast bears east of north and thus we find the greater bulk of shad enter through Oregon Inlet as New Inlet is now so near filled up. Again, the condition of the weather has very much to do with the number of fish that come in the inlets as they will not enter where the sea is rough on the bar and at this season of the year at least half the time the sea is rough as the prevailing winds are north or northeast, and this is our stormy sea-

son. With these conditions against us and with practically only one small inlet (Oregon) that is favorably located for the enterance of shad is any one surprised that we should have some poor seasons? Men who fished gill nets 30 years ago tell of seasons when they did not sell for enough to pay hand hire. It certainly was not pound nets then. Again, the fish that are hatched in these waters do not necessarily return to these same waters during their life. There is at least no proof of this and with conditions as they are chances are in favor of their entering some of the larger bays and rivers north of us. There is no question but that the supply of shad is gradually decreasing but there is a great question as to the real cause. At present, pound nets in the sounds of this state seem to be having the whole blame to bear, but a careful study of conditions at other points along the coast may place some of this blame where nore properly belongs. Up to the present time there has been practically no effort made to catch any shad along the North Carolina coast until after they enter the sounds. This is not the case porth of us and from the southern coast of Virginia to as

conditions much more favorable for fishing at sea. Also the nearness to markets and easy transportation enable them to get better returns. Let the men who would wipe pound nets out of North Carolina look up the figures, if the United States Fsh Commission can give them, and see if a very small per cent. of the annual catch of shad is on really North Carolina shore. Why should we stop catching them in any way simply to let our neighbors north and south of us have a better chance when we of all the people of the coast are limited to fishing for a living? If our wise legislators will look up the whole situation best thing they can do is to ask congress to protect our fish supply when outside the jurisdiction of the states and ask the other states interested as we are to do the same and then join us in passing state laws that will protect them after they (the fish) have come within the bounds of each state. Under the present status of sentiment we are very much afraid that our present legislature will start

and more shelving than ours making

out to protect (?) our fishing industry to its death as the past 2 or 3 legislatures have done our oyster industry. As to local laws prohibiting the placing of too many nets in the narrow parts of the sounds so as to the fish up sound I think every reasonable man is in favor of that, but til April. to do away with pound nets because some one has abused his natural rights with them would be a great insupposed to be looking for brackish justice to the large class of fishermen our people attended the sale. The who wish to obey the law. At present we in this section are burdened with dise, and one automobile was also lots of local laws about oystering, sold. The automobile was bought by fishing and hunting that are not exe- Mr. N. R. Robinson, of Washington, cuted giving the dishonest man better opportunities while curtailing the hon

> all laws and unless there is ample provision made for their execution we are in favor of no more laws on

> > Yours truly,

est man's natural rights. Such condi-

J. J. DAVIS.

For \$65

GATHERING HORTICULTURIST SPECIMENS AT HATTERAS STEAMSHIP FLOATED WITHOUT DAMAGE.

Hatteras, N. C., Feb. 5 .- Mr. S. M. 8. Rollinson, of Elizabeth City, spent several days with us this week, visiting friends and relatives. 'Sammy' is one of our Hatteras boys that we are always glad to welcome in our midst. With his generous nature and genial disposition he always gives new life and added pleasure to our little social circle here, and his departure always brings sincere regret to his many friends.

Miss Maggie Roper, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Englehard for some months, returned home this week.

Mr. W. A. Manda, a horticultural expert, of New York city, spent several days at Hatteras this week. Mr Manda was very much interested in our trees and shrubs, and made sev eral excursions into the Buxton woods gathering specimens of plants and trees that are native to this section

Miss Carrie Gaskins, who has been visiting friends at Portsmouth for the past week, returned home Saturday. gess. Mr. Kenneth Pugh and familFy, of Clarks, who have been visiting Mr. J. W. Meekins for the past week, returned home Saturday.

Mr. John Jarvis, of Englehard, came over Saturday and spent a few days visiting friends here.

A large British steamship, the Sheppy Allison, bound to Newport News for coal, stranded at Cape Look out Shoals on Friday night, and lay there until Sunday morning when she was successfully floated by the U. S. revenue cutter Seminole, of the port of Wilmington. The steamship apparently uninjured and proceeded on her way under her own steam. These frequent strandings at Cape Lookout and the long delay incident to getting reports from there, emphasizes the need of a continuation of the government telephone line far north as shad are known to go connect all the stations from Hatter"s their path is strewn with large seapounds. These coasts are less rough Inlet on south to Cape Lookout.

Miss Eliza Willis left this week for Manteo and Elizabeth City, where she will spend a short time visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Gus Austin, of Hatteras, while getting ready to put in his stand of nets at Roanoke Island this week, met with quite a severe accident by dropping a heavy plank on his foot and badly mashing his toes. He was taken to Manteo at once and put under the care of Dr. Fearing, and after a week's skillful treatment he was able to return home again on Monday, his wound being yery nearly well.

Mr. John Ballance, formerly of Hatteras, who has been making his home at Frisco for several years, moved carefully I think they will decide the with hi sfamily to Portsmouth, N. C., this week, where he will make his future home.

Mr. Seymour Miller, formerly a member of the Creed's Hil! life saving station, but who was left out last season on account of severe illness just at the opening of the season, has been reinstated in his old position and returned to duty again this

Mr. A. B. Willis and family, of the family burying ground. Cape Hatteras light station, are visiting friends and relatives at Hatter-

as this week. are not otherwise employed, have left stage." Preventics will head off all has been little fishing done but from during the past week for the fisheries colds and Grippe, and perhaps save now on the indications are that fishof in the upper sound near Roanoke Isl- you from Uneumonia or Bronchitis. ing will be good. Much preparations

The goods from the wrecked schoon er John I. Snow at Portsmouth, were sold this week, and quite a number of goods consisted of general merchan-N. C., and only brought \$65. The other goods, as is usual at most wreck sales, brought about the regular martions produce a general disregard for ket price.

lett's drug store.

For Veterans

At a meeting of W. F. Martin Camp No. 1590, of Elizabeth City, N. C., on February 1st, 1907, the following ladies were selected as committee for their respective localities of Pasquotank and Camden counties for the purpose of procuring funds to uniform comrades of W. F. M. Camp, viz: PASQUOTANK COUNTY.

Newland Township. Miss Bettie Williams, Mrs. E. Granger and Miss Eunice Williams. Providence Township. Miss Vetie Harris, Miss Elinda

ennings and Miss Bertha Morgan.

Elizabeth City Township. Miss Mary McMullan, Miss May Wood, Miss Mary Ehringhaus, Miss Nancye Burgess, Miss Outlaw and Miss Nannle Reid.

Mt. Hermon Township. Mrs. Mark G. Gregory and others to be named by Comrade M. G. Greg-

Nixonton Township. Miss Margaret Hollowell, Mrs. Eliiah Howell and Miss Sarah Elliott. Salem Township.

Mrs. Thos. Parson, Miss Bertha Sawyer, Miss Mary Weeks and Miss

CAMDEN COUNTY. Shiloh Township. To be selected by Lieut. N. C. Bur-

Belcross Township.

South Mills Township. Miss Alice Taylor, Mrs. D. E. Wil liams and Miss India Bartlett.

The above committees to be by Adjutant J. H. Burgess, Sr., of their appointment and be requested to accept and proceed without delay in soliciting funds and to report to Adjutant J. H. Burgess, Sr., their success by February 25th, 1907.

Prepare This Yourself. For those who have and form of blood disorders; who want new, rich blood and plenty of it, try this:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three

Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. Any good pharmacy can supply the ingredient at small cost. This is the prescription which, when made up, is called 'The Vegetable Treatment;" by others, the 'Cyclone Blood Purifier.' It acts gently and certainly does wonders for Richardson, of the Newland section, Point. some people who are sickly, weak and out of sorts, and is known to re-

lieve serious, longstanding cases of

rheumatism and chronic backache Make some up and try it.

Mother and Father Both Dead

Mr. James Wilson, of the Davis Bay section, died Wednesday of pneu-

ing of the same disease. Four small children are left with-

out father or mother. The remains of Mr. Wilson will be interred tomorrow evening in the

To stop a Cold with "Preventics" is safer than to let it run and cure it cold cure tablets selling in 5 cent and 25 cent boxes. If you are chilly, if you begin to sneeze, try Preventics. They will surely check the cold, and please you. Sold by all dealers.

Prof. S. L. Sheep, is now in Raleigh on a business trip.

Special Announcement Regarding the National Pure Food and Drug Law. We are pleased to announce that

Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affect-Piles of people have Piles. Why ed by the National Pure Food and and adults.

Automobile Sold To Buy Uniforms Prisoners Locked In, And Walked Away

WHEN JAILER BROUGHT DIE 3.1 THEY MADE A RUSH FOR THE DOOR- WALKED AWAY BROAD DAY LIGHT.

News has been received here of unique jail break, which occurred at Columbia, Tyrrell county, a day or or two aro.

Two white prisoners, samed liam Colston and Roles Roads, nearcerated in the county jail during the Christmas holidays upon the charge of stealing, a lot of raw hides from a peddler, which they carried to Edenton and sold.

Several threats of liberation on the part of their friends caused the dep uty sheriff to bring them here for safe keeping, but they could not be accommodated here, so they were taken back to Tyrrell, where they have been in jail ever since, or rather, until the last day or two ago.

At the noon meal hour when the jailer took them their dinner, instead of eating their dinner, they made a rush for the open door, which they succeeded in gaining ahead of the jailer. As they went out, they closed the jail door and locked it with the jailer inside and the prisoners on the outside.

After the jailer had been securely locked up, they calmly walked away in broad day light.

Hunting For Trouble.

'T've lived in California 20 years, and am still hunting for trouble in the way of burns, sores, wounds, boils, cuts, sprains, or a case of piles that Bucklen's Africa Salve won't quickly cure' writes Charles Wal ters, of Alleghany, Sierra Co. No use hunting. Mr. Walters; it cures every case. Guaranteed by all drugwists. 25c.

Girl Dies Of Hydrophobia

BITTEN BY A RABID CAT, SHE DIES A HORRIBLE DEATH.

Martha Richardson, the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. William who several days ago developed what was supposed to be a violent form of insanity died Monday of hyprophobia.

Several weeks ago a rabid cat scratched her while being driven from the dining room of the Richardson

Nothing further was thought of the cat episode until the doctor pronounced her death due from hydrophobia. Her parents are now certain that she was bitten by the cat.

Mr. Rollinson His wife died last Saturday morn- From Down Home

Mr. S. M. S. Rollinson returned home Wednesday from a visit his old home at Hatteras of several days duration where he has been gone to visit his relatives and to attend to business.

Mr. Rollinson stated to an Econo-Nearly all of our young men, that afterwards. Taken at the 'sneeze mist reporter this morning that there Preventics are little toothsome candy has been made for fishing and the fishermen are confidently expecting For joy and pleasure there will be,

a good springs catch. Mr. Rollinson reports shooting fairly good in spite of the exceedingly mild weather; and, if this cold snap will last that it will pick up considerably in the future.

Mr. Rollinson had a most delightful trip and a pleasant stay at his old home, where he found every body prosperous and happy.

Nothing will relieve Indigestion that is not a thorough digestant. Kodol digests what you eat and allows suffer from piles when you can use Drug law as it contains no opiates or the stomach to rest-recuperate-DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel other harmful drugs, and we recom- grow strong again. It is a corrective Salve and get relief. Sold by Ayd- mend it as a safe remedy for children of the highest efficiency. Sold by Aydlett's drug store.

Petition Carried Raleigh

Mr. Geo. J. Spence left Wednes day afternoon for Raleigh, where he goes to present a petition before the esistature in regard to the bond bill. The petition asking that the voters of the city be allowed to vote upon the bond issue, before it becomes a law, has been circulated in the city and has received quite a number of signatures.

Use a little KODOL after your meals and it will be found to afford a prompt and efficient relief. KODOL nearly approximates the digestive juices. It digests what you eat. It is sold on a guaranteed relief plan. Sold here by Aydlett's drug store.

Gov. Glenn to Speak on Prohibition

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 5.-Governor Glenn goes to Salisbury next Saturday night to make a speech in the temperance campaign in progress

Wintry winds whined weirdly. Willie wriggled while Winnie wheezed wretchedly. Wisdom whispers, winter winds work wheezes. Wherefore we write, "Use Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup.' Nothing else so good. Sold by Aydlett's drug store.

Little Rosalie Wood is very sick at her home on Ehringhaus street.

This May Interest You. No one is immune from kidney trouble, so just remember that Feley's Kidney Cure will stop the irregularities and cure my case of kidney and bladder trouble that is not beyond

Mr. W. T. Culpepper, traveling salesman, for Aydlette Bros., has just returned from a trip to Powell's

the reach of medicine.

ARE YOUR EYES IN PERFECT CONDITION?

If not you certainly cannot do justice to your work. A proper examination, and I only advise glasses when they are of direct benefit, and I make for you without charging exorbitant

> DR. J. D. HATHAWAY, Optician.

Mr. Earnest Blanchard has just returned from a business trip to Har-

Possesses wonderful power over the human body, removing all disorders from your system; that's what Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea does. 85 cents, Tea or Tablets. Standard Phar-

Mr. Oscar Lister, of Weeksville, is in the city today.

Give me the girl with ravishing eyes, And sweet, red lips;

She is better than mansions of stone, Or temples of brick,

If she takes Rocky Mountain Tea. -Standard Pharmacy,

Capt. D. T. Whitehurst, of Norfolk,

passed through the city en route to Okisco to visit his brother.

The many friends of Miss Kate Wood will be glad to know she is much better.

Buildings up waste tissue, promotes appetite, improves digestion, induces refreshing sleep, giving renewed strength and health. That what's Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.-Standard Pharmacy.