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The story of a fox hunt has charms all its own. No two are alike. There is movement of excitement in a chase. It tells of a fugitive trying to save his life by cunning and running and of pursuers in pack with mouths echoing through forest and field in swelling volume. Here is a typical one. The boys, our young friends, arranged for a chase. They were to meet on the hunting ground with sixteen dogs. A buggy came for us. More than a mile distant we halted. The music had begun. We could hear the dogs. Old Reynard was fleeing for his life. The pack was in hot pursuit. Our steed appeared to catch the contagion and the wheels hummed. Soon we were among the dogs and such a scene of activity and roar of yelping. Then there came a hush. The dogs are making detours, some one way and some another. They are wild with excitement. It was the very kind of fox to wear out dogs and worry a hunter. He resolved to stake his fate rather on cunning than running. So in an area of less than three-quarters of a mile in diameter, in which there was a succession of dense jungles and fearful patches of copse he resolved to wear out the dogs by bold trickery and exquisite cunning. He was known by them to be near by and was at times among them and the fact kept them excited and wild until they were worn and fatigued and we were disgusted. It was a hunt without a real chase and we dare say without a catch. Many thanks, sirs, for the two hours of diversion—a fox hunt in a buggy.

The Schubert String Quartet of Boston, one of the most famous in America, was perhaps at their best in a concert in the auditorium of the Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music last Wednesday night. The atmosphere of this institution is a tonic to any musician. Its director was trained in Boston and would probably be a teacher in its great conservatory today if Rev. Dr. Vardell had not brought her to be the musical director here. Then there are others of European culture in the faculty, and the school doing the largest musical work in the State. As might be expected, the quartet, despite its national fame, was on its metal before such nice critics and so large and intelligent an audience as faced it. Two violins, a viola and a violin-cello were the instruments. The program was a fascinating one. Its suggestion of tuneful melodies were delightful. The simplicity too that characterized its numbers added greatly to the general enjoyment. Throughout, the interpretation disarmed criticism and captivated musical enthusiasts. The phrasing was felt at times to be a marvel. Finished and penetrating tones thrilled. The slow movements were surpassing in their sweetness and power and moved the hearts of the hearers greatly. Minuet, by Boccherini, and Lento, by Chopin, were the numbers that pleased us most. How fortunate for our girls that the fame of the college should attract to it such artists.

Too much cannot be written about the nature and sacredness of promises. The reckless breaking of them is appalling. Reverence for truth is suffering. When by sign verbal or other expectation is excited in another we promise the thing expected thereby. The sanctity of the obligation of a promise is the right created by the expectation excited to have it fulfilled. A just claim is lodged in another by it which he did not have before. A breach of promise is not only a lie, but a fraud. When we bind ourselves by a promise to give any good thing to another, or to do anything for the benefit of another, the right of the thing promised passes over from us to the person to whom the promise is made, as much as if we had given him a legal bond, with all the formalities of signing and sealing. We have no power to recall or reverse it without his leave. Contracts that

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The plant and good will of The Robesonian Job and Newspaper office has been sold to Messrs. J. G. McCormick and E. J. Britt. The transfer will take place on December 1st. By the terms of sale these parties, or their successors will execute all unexpired contracts in advertising, and will fill all paid-in-advance subscriptions to The Robesonian.

All accounts due, or which may become due on subscriptions, advertising, job work or otherwise, on December 1st, 1905, are the property of the undersigned and must be paid to him. Settlements must be made at once.

All debts due by The Robesonian, or which may be incurred prior to December 1st, the date of said transfer, are payable by the undersigned, who assumes all responsibility therefor. We must insist that all indebtedness, of whatever nature, due The Robesonian, be settled at once, in order that annoyance may be avoided by all parties concerned. Very truly, A. P. McAllister.

are made daily are only reciprocations of promises. Every party to a contract feels clearly that he has a right to demand of the other party the fulfillment of his stipulations. The law, it is true, recognizes the right only in case of a valuable consideration. But the design of the law is merely to protect men from the results of rash and ill-considered acts. The thing done without pure motive is presumed to be done thoughtlessly and hastily. For the law presumes a consideration where the promise is so made as to imply deliberation. So out of our mouths and from our practices we are sorely condemned for many and enormous wrongs to God and man in our unblushing breaking of promises in business and social life.

At the risk of being accused by the supersensitive of being a bear we modestly give it out that as we see it Harvey Jordan, in his dictum that he will give orders is at least a trifle extreme. It occurs to us that before such a view should be expressed much less such executive orders given there should be much stronger proof of a much smaller crop than is universally believed. Let it be borne in mind that if cotton could be forced by arbitrary steps up to a price that is entirely artificial or beyond the pale of the laws that govern in commerce where there is real and lasting progress and prosperity much evil would follow. It deserves to be said that any price that is unreasonable and savors of extortion must result in moral weakening and take much or all force out of a fight against the heartless bears of Wall street who have with unblushing rapin enriched themselves upon the profits that belonged of right to the farmers. Let right prevail even though sufferings are to be borne. Honesty is sound policy and righteous principle alike.

Barkers Notes.

Among the new students at Barkers this week are Mr. J. Walter Daniel, of Davidson county and Miss Pauline Osborne, of Lumberton.

Look out for the big advertisement of Barkers High School in the next issue of the Robesonian.

Following is the program of the entertainment to be given at the Auditorium at Barkers next Wednesday evening at eight o'clock.

Characters—Timothy Delano, a rich miserly country gentleman—Mr. Pate.

Aunt Tabitha, an eccentric and ambitious old maid—Miss Lambert.

Alice's brother, at home from college on a vacation—Mr. Maxwell.

Hildegards, colored maid of all work—Miss Whitley.

An admission of 15 cents will be charged.

Dr. Drake, eye specialist, of Wilson, will be in Rowland for three days next week. See his advertisement.

Lumber Bridge Locals.

Mrs. Sallie Currie died Monday at the home of her son, Timothy Currie, near Red Springs. She was 98 years old and the oldest citizen in this section of the county. Her life was as beautiful as it was long. The oldest of her neighbors have for years borne testimony to the loveliness of her christian character. It is seldom one meets so cherry and buoyant a spirit as animated even her last years. For a long time she was almost totally blind and quite deaf. Yet she was notably bright and happy. It was refreshing to meet so contented and joyful a temperament despite both deafness and blindness. Inability to read the Bible she loved so well and to hear it distinctly when read by others was an insupportable affliction. Yet there was never a murmur. Few ever saw so complete resignation as she displayed. Her departure was preceded by no painful and prolonged sickness. The physical frame appeared to collapse suddenly because too frail and weak to bear longer the weight of accumulated years. There was never a want her devoted son and grand-children in his home did not gratify. The sympathy and tenderness with which they ministered to her needs were truly beautiful. She has been borne into rest as the fully ripe corn is into the garner.

Township Meetings.

President A. J. McKinnon is sending out the following letter: "Don't fail to attend the Township meetings and elect your Township Officers on the 1st Saturday in December, and be sure and have your report and all go to Lumberton on the second Saturday to elect your County Officers, receive the Township reports, hear R. W. Livermore speak and have a day of rejoicing over the victories won and renew our efforts for greater things. We are at last on the saddle and lets never surrender until we have made our Country the richest Country and our people the best educated and the greatest people on the globe. We have been slaves to England and speculation for forty years or more, lets rule the balance of time, its with the individual. Will you be a slave or a ruler? Every price set by the Association has been reached, those who obeyed their instruction reaped the benefit. Will you be one to reap future benefits?"

A. J. McKinnon,

President.

Robeson County Cotton Growers Association.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a "Silver Tea" at the home of their pastor, Rev. E. A. Baker, this (Thursday) evening. It is hoped that the attendance will be good.

When a man brags of a good deed it is because he knows so few of them.

Relapse Into Barbarism.

An appalling criticism of the London of to-day is made by Charles Edward Russell in the November Everybody's. In the Foreword to his new series of articles, "Soldiers of the Common Good," Mr. Russell says: "And it will appear as a strange and awful fact that in the first of countries we are to consider in these papers the influence of civilization has become so weak that in the centers of great modern cities, surrounded by wealth and sumptuous display, millions of men and women are daily and visibly relapsing into barbarism.—After a long descent from the race most talked about and boasted of, and after all the aids of the most advanced modern life, the fruit there is the type of a dreadful creature, deformed in body and mind, cursed with inherited disease, helpless and hopeless, bringing into the world other creatures more wretched than himself, darkening the glass of civilization with the sinister portent of his haggard face. It will appear that this product of city life in England is increasing so rapidly and becoming so threatening that natural commissions are formed to consider him and how to mitigate the plague of him, and yet he increases and yet all the excellent plans and schemes that help others and lighten other burdens never reach him nor diminish his numbers nor take from the national life the shadow of his presence. It will appear, I trust, that he is the natural and perfect product of the system of unchecked and insatiable greed, of the system of class and caste which forms England's problem as it forms ours, and that these systems having proceeded much farther and existed much longer in England than in the United States, it is possible for us to stop now and consider whether we really wish to erect Stepneys and Clerkenwells in our own cities."

His Body Found Floating In the Cape Fear at Wilmington.

A Wilmington Special to the News and Observer of Nov. 22nd, says:

The body of Frank Haffner, 45 years old, an Austrian, who mysteriously disappeared from his shoe store on the wharf here Monday a week ago, was found floating in Princess Street dock about daybreak this morning by some colored rivermen camping on a raft in the vicinity. The disappearance of Haffner had been of some concern to his friends for several days and his fate was half suspected when the body was fished out of the water today. From the fact that he was drinking the last seen of him on the night he closed his store, the presumption is that he wandered along the wharf and fell overboard. He had no family but a nephew who lately came here from Austria and lived in Greensboro. The deceased is known in our town, having spent some days here a few months ago, looking for a suitable place to open up business.

McLean--Stuart.

Col. N. A. McLean was married to Miss Essie Stuart at the home of the bride in Yorkville, S. C., Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. The Colonel is one of the State's most gifted attorneys, a polished and a courtly gentleman, whose host of friends will join with us in wishing for him the greatest happiness in future years.

Mrs. McLean is a young lady of charming personality, amiable and lovable and our people will welcome her most cordially in our midst.

Court Calendar.

For December term, 1905—his honor, Fred Moore, judge presiding.

Monday, December 4th, 1905—Carolina Central R. R. Co. vs J. D. Croom; W. H. Blount vs Western Union Telegraph Co.; J. C. McCaskill vs Sarah E. Walker, et al; T. J. Tolar and wife vs John B. McNeill, protest; S. R. Tolar vs John B. McNeill, protest; Charlotte Oil and Fertilizer Co. vs Joseph Strickland; H. P. Lovett, admr. vs Carolina Northern R. R. Co. et al; Bank of Suffolk vs L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co.; J. E. Butler vs W. F. Biddell and wife, protest; A. P. McAllister et al vs Carolina Central R. R. Co.; J. H. Powers vs L. H. Townsend; E. E. Page vs E. McQ. Rowan; Henderson Buxton vs Lizzie Buxton.

Tuesday, December 5th, 1905—R. W. Newton, admr. vs Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Co.; D. Z. McGougan vs Rockfish & Aberdeen R. R. Co.; D. Z. McGougan and wife vs Rockfish & Aberdeen R. R. Co.; D. Z. McGougan et al, vs Rockfish & Aberdeen R. R. Co.; Mack Page vs Standard Oil Co.; A. J. McKinnon vs Seaboard Air Line R. R. Co.; C. W. Wiggins, Jr., vs J. A. McCormick; John T. McNair vs Seaboard Air Line R. R. Co.; A. H. Webster, et al vs Carolina Central R. R. Co.; Sarah Jane Bullock vs John Bullock, et al; J. K. Atkinson and wife vs Harriett Purvis, et al; Park Region Mutual H. Ins. Co. vs M. P. Bullard.

Wednesday, December 6th, 1905—W. S. McNair vs W. C. Wilks; D. J. Bullard vs Sandy Edwards; D. L. Blue vs J. Allen Higgins; W. B. Cooper vs T. G. Britt, et al; Alice McLean, admrx. vs J. M. Butler; H. M. Brown vs W. T. Bowen and wife; Clarissa J. Smith vs L. T. Cottingham Lumber Co.; J. W. McLaughlin Co. vs N. McP. Clark; R. W. Livermore vs R. F. Groves and wife; McKinnon, Currie & Co. vs Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Co.; Rowland Drug Co. et al, vs A. C. L. R. R. Co. and S. A. L. Ry. Co.; McAllister Hardware Co. vs Carolina Central R. R. Co.; Z. G. Hall vs Seaboard Air Line R. R. Co.; J. D. Regan vs Elmon Belch; Minnie Brady, admrx. vs Scotland Cotton Mills; The Neal Bank vs J. S. McRae et al; Beady Jones vs J. H. Powers.

Etrod Dots.

There will be communion service at Purvis church next Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. J. Scott filled his regular appointment at the school house Sunday a m

Mr. Chas. St bbs, who has been visiting his parents here, returned to his home at Ft. Myers, Fla., last Friday.

Several of our young people attended an oyster supper at Hasty last week.

Rev. E. A. Paul, of Orrum, preached at the school house Sunday night to a large and appreciative audience.

Misses Ora Paul and Berta Bullard visited Miss Bessie McLean at McDonalds Monday.

Mr. J. W. Carter, of Maxton, was here Monday.

Rev. W. W. Willis was here one day last week.

Rev. J. M. Ashby, of Ashpole, was here one day last week enroute to Fayetteville.

Mr. L. H. Paul went to Pates last week.

Mr. J. T. Poole, of Maxton, was here Sunday.

Miss Mary McNeill and Mr. Mike Caldwell visited the latter's sister, Mrs. Fenegan, at Latta last week.

Famine Threatens Russia.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 21.—With the collapse of the strike the leaders of the "Reds" say they will not devote their energies to the preparation of the political strike to sustain the revolutionary programme when the National Assembly meets. These plans which were suddenly upset by the precipitation of the railroad strike last month are exceedingly ambitious involving the co-operation, not only of the workmen of the cities but the peasantry and, if possible, the army and navy. The propaganda among the soldiers and sailors will be pushed energetically. The leaders already claim that they have organized the peasantry in five districts of Kharkoff province, the peasants having agreed not to work for the landlords when the strike is called. They anticipate that the famine which is at the doors of almost 15,000,000 peasants of the central provinces, according to estimates, will prove an effective ally of the agitation as they can promise to give the peasants land to unlimited extent. The plague which is moving northward from the Kirghiz Steppe if not stamped out in the Vistula region may also be made to serve the purpose of arousing the ignorant and superstitious peasants. The leaders will urge the proletariat everywhere to secure arms and be prepared to fight for their rights.

Orum Items.

Rev. M. A. Stephens and wife visited their daughters here Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. I. P. Hedgpath filled his appointment here Sunday afternoon, remaining over until Monday to attend the annual thanksgiving of the community.

We can see marked improvement in our town in the last few weeks. The painters have just finished painting Mr. J. M. Frink's residence which adds greatly to the appearance. They are now painting the Institute and Dormitory.

Mrs. C. P. William's residence also Mr. Ira Warwick's are being rapidly built. The roof is partly on and the chimneys are made in Mrs. William's and the weather boarding on Mr. Warwick's.

Miss Alyce Singletary was the guest of Misses Lydia and Flora Frink Saturday and Sunday and returned to her home at Bladenboro Monday.

Miss Eliza Hughes, of Chadburn, visited her cousin Miss Cordelia Thompson, who is here in school, Saturday and Sunday returning Monday afternoon.

Mr. Jetter Williamson, of Kingsdale visited his sisters, Misses Alyce and Pearl Williamson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jackson, of Rowland, came down Sunday to visit Mrs. Jackson's parents near here.

Miss Tracy Smith, of Marion, S. C., has returned to school after spending a week at home with her parents.

The outfits for basket ball and tennis have arrived and the girls are beginning to manifest great interest in the games.

Mr. N. S. Watson went to Chadburn Saturday on Business.

A charter has been granted the Kingsdale Lumber Company with \$50,000 authorized capital and \$40,000 capital stock subscribed. The incorporators are Messrs. Iredell Mears, W. A. Williamson and J. C. Munds, all of Wilmington.

Mr. W. P. McAllister attended McLean-Stuart wedding at Yorkville, S. C., Wednesday.