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"Rah" for Neave and the old Board. A very quiet and orderly election on Monday.

Business meeting of the Y. M. C. A. to-night.

Rev. F. J. Murdoch is in Asheville for a few days.

Mr. J. D. Brown is spending a few days at home.

Fire company was out on a drill Tuesday night.

R. M. Davis is having his furniture moved from Main street to Innis street.

Mr. Schultz again addresses the public in this paper. See his advertisement.

Wheat and other small grain looks very promising, especially so in vicinity of Third Creek.

Solicitor Long passed through Monday evening going to Concord, where court is in session this week.

A large king snake, nearly five feet long, was killed Monday in the rear of Rev. Mr. Tuttle's house.

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were exceptional warm days for this time of the year. A shower is needed.

One hundred kegs of boiler rivets on the lot adjoining the WATCHMAN office to be used in the erection of stand pipe.

The Young Men's Christian Association room has been fitted up with folding seats and presents quite an attractive appearance.

We learn from private sources that the reported falling of a fifteen pound meteorite, near Franklinton, was a hoax; nothing of it.

These moonlit May evenings are pronounced charming. Lovers can never have a more inspiring season for soft talk nor for castle building.

Rev. Dr. Rumble and Mr. Wm. Murdoch are absent from town this week, attending a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Union Seminary.

The warm weather of the last few days has been the means of having awnings erected over the front of M. S. Brown's store and Telegraph office.

Bishop Granbery has given his consent to be present at the Methodist District Conference, for the Salisbury district, which convenes here the latter part of July.

Sending up toy balloons is a good way to start a conflagration. One that was sent up Monday night burned for some time in a tree in front of the Mansion house.

Can any of our citizens give us any information in regard to some papers or accounts relating to Dan'l Boone, that was found in tearing down an old building in Salisbury, on the Max. Chambers lot.

Salisbury Improvement Association meets to-night, every one attend. Other towns see the good that such an association will do and are writing for the plans of it. More interest should be taken in it by ourselves.

There is a child in this town only seven months old which is wearing his father's shoes. When he comes out on the street with his father's high hat on, booted and spurred, he shall have another "local."

We are most happy to state for the information of our patrons that Salisbury has not ceased to be the terminus of the W. N. C. R., and that no mixed train is now running between here and Statesville. We were mistaken and glad of it.

We have a golden eagle measuring seven feet from tip to tip, shot by N. H. Parks about two miles from town on the new Concord road, last Monday. He doesn't seem to be hurt much and we are hoping that we can tame him and teach him to scream in time to bring him out next election.

Prof. W. E. Hidden passed through Salisbury Tuesday on his way to Bakersville. He showed us a very pretty hiddenite pin, 1 karat, surrounded by eleven diamonds. He also informed us that one of the hiddenites from last summer's find had been cut and made a gem of 3 1/2 karats, the largest by a karat that had ever been cut, and worth \$300. One piece in the rough when cut will be worth \$600.

Probably Fatal

Mr. J. S. Wallace, a young man clerking for Mr. Schultz, shot himself to-day about 1 o'clock, the ball entering the left breast, about one half inch from the nipple. It was an accident.

He is now in the hands of physicians and under the influence of opiates. He would have fallen, but was caught by Mr. W. H. Overman and laid on the bed.

Municipal Elections

The Democratic ticket in Charlotte, Concord, Statesville, Salisbury and Hickory were successful.

Very Sad. This community was deeply saddened Monday morning last on learning that Luola, aged about eight years, the little daughter of Mr. J. D. Gaskill, was dying. She attended the burial of her twin brother, Saturday, (two days before) and was then in perfect health, and so continued apparently through the day. But was taken sick Saturday night with a chill. Sunday morning her physician, Dr. Whitehead, discovered that she had pneumonia in both lungs. Every aid was called in, but all to no purpose. She sank under the violent attack and expired Monday morning.

The death of two children in the space of four days out of one and the same family is an event so rare as to touch the human heart with a sincere sympathy for the bereaved parents. In this case the children were twins, and cherished treasures of the household, which added another point of sadness to this afflictive dispensation.

The Municipal Election

The election in this place last Monday, though warmly contested, passed off quietly and without an incident to cause heart-burnings hereafter. The regularly nominated Democratic ticket, as will be seen by the subjoined table, was entirely successful. It is the old board re-elected, a tribute of confidence and respect, so richly earned by their valuable public services during their first term of two years. Those who voted for their re-election did so from a sense of grateful duty, and the result should be and is, highly gratifying to all concerned.

OFFICIAL VOTE.

Table with columns for wards (East, North, South, West) and candidates (J. A. Ramsay, E. B. Neave, J. H. Ramsay, T. P. Johnson, G. W. Gates, T. A. Coughenour, W. L. James, Alexander Parker, D. A. Atwell, P. P. Meroney, D. M. Miller, N. C. Wyatt, Ed. Shaver, W. R. Warner, C. P. Abbott, D. R. Julian, J. A. Barrett, J. R. Keene, Rich. Skahan, Geo. Mowery, John Brown, R. L. Shaver, R. J. Holmes, Kerr Craige, G. A. Bingham, J. A. Ramsay, S. H. Wiley, M. L. Holmes, A. W. Northern, F. J. Murdoch).

*T. P. Johnson prohibition candidate for Mayor. Names in italics represent the regularly nominated Democratic ticket.

Names in Roman letters, both the Republican and Prohibition tickets. Several names on these tickets were probably put there without the knowledge of their owners, who are in no sense responsible for the company they are in.

J. A. Ramsay was not a candidate for Mayor, having withdrawn from the contest more than a week before the election.

Insurance That Insures.

The caption of this article is suggested by a check shown us yesterday, drawn by the president of the Provident Saving Life Insurance Company, of New York, in favor of Mrs. Mattie W. Burrell for \$10,000.

When it is considered that the party insured his life and paid only the first quarterly premium, and thereby secured to his family ten thousand dollars, it proved a remunerative investment, when this amount is paid down, upon the day of acceptance of proofs of death, without waiting for the 90 days to expire, as by its policy contract, it was entitled to do, it rises to the dignity of a transaction that is worthy of the highest commendation; and too much can not be said in praise of such a corporation. That is the Provident Saving Life Insurance Company, of New York. Its rates are attractively low and the security absolutely beyond question.—Charlotte Chronicle, April 30th.

The above company have issued policies on the following persons in Salisbury: John Allen Brown, T. F. Klutz, I. S. Overman, W. H. Overman, J. D. McNeely, J. G. Heilig, A. H. Boyden, C. A. Rice, R. H. Ford, N. P. Murphy, C. J. Bingham, W. W. Gales, C. G. Viole, John Lindsay, John A. Boyden, G. A. Bingham, and Chas. Overman.

Mr. C. G. Viole is special agent for the Provident and will be glad to give you any information and take your application.

MINING DEPARTMENT.

T. K. BRUNER EDITOR, RALEIGH, N. C.

Iron Wealth of North Carolina.

The day is not far distant when we may expect full development of the iron deposits of the South. It has already begun in certain parts of the South and it will spread in all directions. The object of this sketch is not for speculation, but is intended for a more practical purpose; to serve as an index to the leading natural sources of iron in North Carolina.

EASTERN ORE BEDS.

The iron ores have a very large range in North Carolina; beginning in the Eastern part of the State we have the so-called "bog" ores, which are beds of clayey and sandy brown ore. The first considerable bed of this character is found in Nash county. This material was used during the wars of 1812 and 1861-5, and is said to have a metalliferous value of 42 per cent. of iron. Other beds of like character occur in Pender and Duplin counties.

In the counties of Halifax and Granville occurs considerable beds of hematite. This ore is known as specular, and contains some magnetic grains disseminated through the mass. It assays up to 60 per cent. metallic iron, with some phosphorus. At other localities the ore is highly magnetic. All these ores are of remarkable purity and are adapted to the manufacture of steel.

CENTRAL ORE BEDS.

Coming nearer the centre of the State, the ores of Johnston, Wake, Chatham and Orange counties claim attention. In the first two counties the ores are limonite, and are not so valuable as the hematites. The Buckhorn mine, near the county line between Chatham and Harnett, is one of the largest deposits in middle North Carolina. It is more than 30 feet thick. The ore is specular, and is said to carry a large percentage of manganese "and the capacity to produce spiegel Eisen without admixture of other ores." Besides this large deposit, there are a number of similar deposits, but smaller in size in the vicinage. There are also limonites and hematites scattered in various parts of Chatham of more or less value.

The Black Band or Ball ore of the coal measures possess merit in a high degree. These are argillaceous and calcareous carbonates of iron, and are co-extensive with the coal on Deep river. Emmons says of this ore: "It contains 33 per cent. of metallic iron; the surface ores being altered contain 50 per cent. There are several seams of this ore from 16 inches to two feet in thickness. The Evans vein near Gulf is a hematite and is 6 feet thick.

Ore Hill is the most noted deposit in Chatham. The ore is limonite and hematite, and there are a number of veins of rather large proportions—ten feet and upwards. This material is easily smelted; taken in connection with the Ball ore, which is a successful flux, admirable conditions for advantageous iron manufacture is furnished.

The most valuable bank of iron in Orange is near Chapel Hill. It is a dense hematite and is from 7 to 25 feet thick. There are several other veins of like character in the county which have the advantage of being in close proximity to the University railroad, which furnishes ample transportation facilities.

The iron ores of Montgomery and Randolph counties belong, geologically speaking, to the ranges above described. There are several workable beds in these counties.

Guilford county is rich in iron. "One of the most remarkable and persistent ranges of iron ore in the State crosses the county of Guilford in a northeast and southwest direction, passing about ten miles northwest of Greensboro, near Friendship. It extends from the headwaters of Abbott's Creek, in Davidson county, entirely across Guilford to Haw River in Rockingham, a distance of some thirty miles." The ore is a titaniferous granular magnetite. There is a second parallel range a short distance west of this, and there is still another belt running parallel to the former and three miles from it, called the Highfield or Shaw outcrop. The vein is 6 feet thick; good ore. In a run of eight hundred yards, there are apparently two hundred thousand tons above water level, in the one six foot bed. These ore beds have not been fully explored, and there is much ground in the county not yet examined.

WESTERN ORE BEDS.

The counties of Gaston, Lincoln and Catawba present a grand range of iron ores, mostly magnetic, with more or less hematite. Prof. G. B. Hanna, of Charlotte, has made a study of these ranges and can supply reliable data. There are a large number of beds ranging from 3 to 10 feet and upwards to 18 and 20 feet in thickness. These ores have been worked to some extent and with promise for permanent operations in the future. In an article of this kind only bare mention of the best known localities can be made. The leading deposits are known as the Big Ore Bank, Brevard, Robinson, Morrison, Forney, Barringer, Yellow Ridge Bank, Ferguson, Edson and Castner, Mountain Ore Bank, Ormand Ore Bank, and many others of less note. There are probably as many as five furnaces already built in this range of iron ores.

The ores of Yadkin, Surry and Stokes counties are found along the foot hills of the Pilot mountain range. In character they are granular and magnetic. These ores are generally very pure; phosphorus is mostly wanting, and the iron made from them has a good reputation. The beds are from a few inches up to 10 or more feet in thickness. There are more than a dozen known localities

in these counties, any of which are of sufficient strength to justify working.

In Burke and Caldwell counties may be found many valuable beds of limonite. One near Hickory is six feet thick. In Caldwell the deposit on Gun Powder Creek is reported as very large. Iron was made here 35 or 40 years ago. There are outcrops in Caldwell traceable for several miles in length, and with a thickness of from one to eight and ten feet. These beds also occur in McDowell and Watauga counties, and in Mitchell and Ashe. In Mitchell the famous Cranberry ore bank at once claims attention. It is fifteen hundred feet in length and is from two to eight hundred feet wide. The ore is remarkably pure magnetite, and produces a soft tough iron. The product of the Cranberry furnace always brings a price in advance of the market. There are numerous deposits of similar ore in Mitchell and Ashe. Some of the more prominent beds in the latter county have been traced for miles in length. In fact, this whole transmontane region may be termed as iron producing, since not a county is without considerable ore beds. Cherokee is remarkably rich in limonite ores, and the same might be said of other counties. The detail of much of the foregoing may be found in Kerr's Geology of North Carolina, and in other publications distributed by the Department of Agriculture.

P. S. Ney.

The exhumation of the body of P. S. Ney at Third Creek on Tuesday was very unsatisfactory as far as the identity with Marshal Ney was concerned. In the first place the exhumation was not carried out in a proper way; not the fault of the doctors who conducted it, but of the willful 300 persons who crowded around in such a manner that it was almost impossible to do anything and to keep the grave from being filled with struggling men.

There should have been a rope stretched around the grave to keep the crowd back. No one but a doctor or a careful man should have been allowed to get in the grave and the dirt should have been lifted out carefully until the skull was reached, then with small instruments carefully handled by a couple of the medical men the skull could have been taken out whole.

Should the part supposed to have been trephined then have been missing (decayed by reason of a fractured skull) a careful panning or washing of the dirt around the skull by some practical gold miner would have discovered the silver plate in less than an hour if there had been one. Dr. Ramsay and Wood are entitled to thanks for what they did do, (that's all they get) as they of course were at some expense in the matter, and it could not be expected of them to furnish appliances and every thing needed in an important exhumation like that.

The grave was opened down to the vault in the morning, and about 1 o'clock, after the arrival of the West bound train Dr. Ramsay stated to the crowd the object of the exhumation, asking them not to crowd around, that every one should have a chance to see and examine every bone taken out if they wished to so.

A gentleman from the country then jumped in the grave and with a spade or shovel commenced to throw out the dirt. After a few shovelful had been thrown out the shovel struck the skull near the place where it was supposed to have been trephined and broke it. The pieces were then handed out and the Doctor's fitted them together, but the part that was claimed to have been trephined was missing. A few other bones were found.

When it is remembered that the body had been buried over 40 years, no trace of the coffin being left and the bones lying right in the dirt, it will not be surprising that the silver plate (probably as large as a ten cent piece, if there was any) was not found. No systematic search was made for it, nothing more than when any person felt so disposed he took a stick and raked around in the red clay in search of it.

We could not learn that Mr. Draper had ever said that Marshal Ney's skull had been trephined; he simply wanted the body to be taken up to see if P. S. Ney's skull had been trephined.

We learned from a gentleman present who has been gathering facts for years looking to the identity of P. S. with Marshal Ney, that after careful search of the records in Austria and France he had never been able to find a record of such an operation performed on Marshal Ney. It is possible that Mr. Draper was trying to identify P. S. Ney with some other person that had been trephined, so as to evade the idea of this being Marshal Ney.

Although to those not present the exhumation will have the effect of shaking what faith they had in it, we venture to say that there was not a person present who heard the stories in relation to how told by the old people who had known him in life, and who had been drawn together there, but what went away with a stronger belief than ever that P. S. Ney was the original Marshal Ney.

We give below the report of the doctors present and will next week give a short biography of Marshal Ney and also the story in relation to Michael Rudolph being Marshal Ney.

THIRD CREEK CHURCH, Rowan county. May 3, 1887.

The undersigned Physicians wish to state that according to previous reports we did today cause to be exhumed the remains of P. S. Ney, in the presence of a great number of witnesses, some of them from Washington, Raleigh and other parts of the country. We found some of the bones only, and these in a state of such decay that we cannot state positively whether the skull had ever been trephined or not. We made diligent search for bullets said to have been lodged in the body but found none.

We succeeded so far, however, as to ascertain that the skeleton was about 5 feet 10 inches long, and the skull around above the eyes about 2 1/2 inches in circumference. J. G. Ramsay, D. B. Wood, S. W. Stevenson, James McGuire, C. M. Poole, S. W. Eaton, Thos. E. Anderson, J. H. Woolf, J. B. Gaither and others.

A wide circle of attached friends and acquaintances were deeply grieved by the sudden and utterly unlooked for death of Mrs. William McNeely, on January 31st, 1887.

Although her health had been declining for several months she seemed better at times and no especial uneasiness was felt by those who saw her daily. The intellect was so clear—her interest in the concerns of her household and family so keen that no one imagined that the time of her removal from the things of earth could be so near.

Suddenly called, her breath ceased after a few gasping efforts and she was gone! Mrs. McNeely's life had been filled with varied experiences. Many rich blessings had been granted her—but she had likewise known many of a woman's keenest sorrows. During the last few years of her life a softness and gentleness of spirit, a patient endurance of suffering and an uncomplaining resignation to the Divine will, had been often observed by those most cognizant of her inner life. In all things she endeavored to recognize the hand of "Infinite Love," and to remember that "whom He loveth He chasteneth." And when the hour came for her entrance into the rest prepared for God's people, we feel that she entered at once in the "joy of her Lord."

May those who saw her virtues strive to imitate her example!

DIED.

In Salisbury April 29th, Moses Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gaskill, aged about eight years. Also, on May 2nd, Luola a twin sister of little Moses.

In Shelby, N. C., April 30th, Mr. A. W. Quinn, in the 59th year of his life. The deceased was a man of prominence in his section, the father of Mr. M. C. Quinn, who is now well known as a resident and business man of this place.

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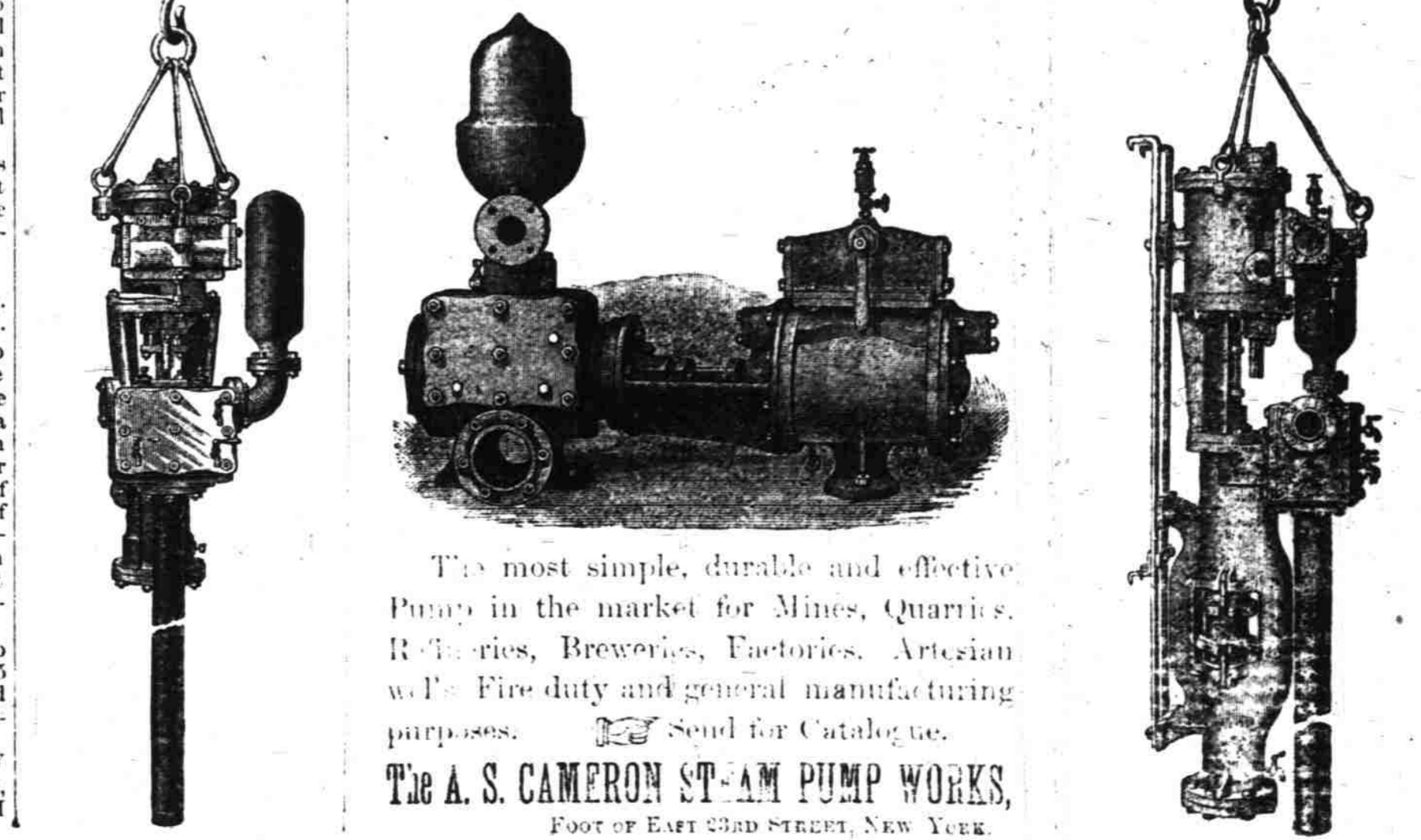
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