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Subscription Rates. The subscription rates of the Carolina Watchman are as follows: 1 year, paid in advance, \$1.50; 3 months, 50 cents; 6 months, 1.00; 12 months, 2.00.

Mr. Heller is building in "Jersey City." Mr. A. C. Harris has put up an awning. Mr. Pete Beard has returned from Florida. P. P. Meroney has returned from Connelly Springs.

Contributions have been received too late for this week's paper.

Prof. W. E. HIDDEN passed through yesterday on his way north.

Mr. Brethren has bought four lots in Jersey City. Look out Brooklyn!

Foard & Rice tobacco factory started work yesterday with about fifty hands.

From outside appearances, Mr. T. P. Johnson's residence is nearing completion.

The steeple of the Baptist church has been completed and adds lots to the looks of the church.

Mr. Edwin Shaver is having a very substantial fence placed in front of his residence.

J. B. Gordon had his foot painfully mashed at the car shops last week, but is much better now.

Wood dealers must think we are cold natured from the amount of wood on the streets these hot days.

While writing we are smoking one of Heller's No. 25 cigars. They are first-rate. Office, next to Smithfield.

Fourteen colored people were baptised Sunday last, in Town creek, south of Brooklyn. A large crowd attended.

Mr. M. S. Brown is so pressed in his tailoring establishment that he had to telegraph to Washington, Tuesday for another tailor.

The house next to Mr. J. M. Haden's office, which was used as a beef stand, is being remodeled and is to be made into a neat little office.

HENS.—There is some report in hens properly attended to. J. A. Yost reports 35 dozen eggs from 28 hens from the 6th of April to the 8th of May.

Professor W. H. Neave has been promoted by one of his correspondents. He received a letter this week addressed Rev. W. H. Neave.

Davidson College Commencement this year will be on the 15th and 16th June. Arrangements have been made with the railroad for special rates, and ample preparations made at the college for the accommodation of visitors.

We learn of one man in this county who brought his tobacco to market and was so disappointed with the prices realized, that he went home and ploughed up his tobacco field (already set out in tobacco) and put the field in corn.

The visiting lawyers this week are Hon. R. F. Armfield and Hon. Wm. Robbins of Statesville, W. W. Fuller and T. C. Fuller of Raleigh, Levi Scott of Greensboro, J. M. Leach of Lexington, Major Graham of Hillsboro Mr. Mc-Corkle of Newton, Judge Furches of Statesville, E. H. Morris, Hon. Williamson and T. B. Bailey of Mocksville. Quite an array.

There was a congregational meeting at the Presbyterian church last night for the purpose of electing two additional Elders. Mr. S. H. Wiley and I. H. Foust were chosen. The election of Mr. Wiley to the eldership made a vacancy in the board of deacons, which was filled by the election of Mr. F. Davidson.

The election was admirably conducted with reference to securing a true expression of the congregation.

Mr. J. S. Jones, General agent of Provident Savings Life Insurance Company of New York, was in the city yesterday. He spent Monday in Greensboro, where he had big success. His two weeks stay in Charlotte recently resulted in running up his line to \$100,000 in that city. He secured several new applications here yesterday. The company is on a big boom throughout the State.

Mr. C. G. Vicle represents this sterling company in Salisbury.

Ice Cream Festival. Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, of the Baptist church, an Ice Cream Festival will be given Tuesday evening May 24th, in the large room under the Boyden House. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

We have no doubt the Baptist ladies will make this a very pleasant entertainment to all who may favor them with attendance.

Paralysis. Mr. Wm. Lambeth, an old and well known gentleman of our town, while walking up Main street, this morning about 8 o'clock, was heard to say "I feel a stroke of apoplexy coming on," and began to stagger. He was caught and saved from falling, and carried into the store of Mr. J. A. Peeler, near at hand. Dr. Trantman was called and pronounced it a case of paralysis. The condition of the sufferer at the present writing is regarded as very critical, though he can still speak.

The Y. M. C. A. Concert. Last Friday evening, was a very decided success in all points. The audience was large, and the most orderly of any we have seen in a long time. Attention was gained from the start and firmly held to the close. We would like to speak of those who took active part in the exercises but fear we could not do justice to them. But we cannot omit to mention Miss Linda Rumble's piano performance. It was not only remarkable but wonderful, and elicited rounds of applause. Miss Mock and Mrs. A. H. Boyden in a vocal duet, and Mrs. L. S. Overman, in a vocal solo, were encored. A more delightful entertainment has rarely been given here.

First Meeting of New Board. MAYOR'S OFFICE, SALISBURY, N. C., May 13th, 1887. The oath of office was administered to E. B. Neave by C. F. Baker, Esq. The following gentlemen came forward and qualified as commissioners, the oath of office being administered by E. B. Neave, Mayor; Atwell, Meroney, Coughenour, Craige, Holmes, Barrett and Julian.

The Mayor was requested to have the R. & D. Railroad to put the approach to the covered bridge on Innis st. in good condition. The Mayor stated that he had heard several complaints from citizens in the neighborhood of Goodman's tan yard in regard to filth.

The Mayor and commissioner Craige, were appointed a committee to see the county commissioners and ask them to put in sewers in ditch from the jail to the R. & D. Railroad.

Complaint was made in regard to the railroad cut. The Mayor was authorized to require the R. & D. Railroad to put the same in good condition at once. He was also instructed to see if he could not get the alley back of M. L. McIntyre's shop and other put in better condition.

The following ordinance was adopted: Be it ordained that no person or persons be allowed to post a bill on any spade tree, lamp post, hydrant or any other property of the town under a penalty, also on no private property without the consent of the owner.

The Board then went into an election for officers, with the following result: For Clerk—D. R. Julian. For Treasurer—I. H. Foust. For Mayor pro tem—P. P. Meroney. For Auditor—K. J. Holmes. For Tax Collector—G. H. Shaver. For Attorney—Kerr Craige. For City Weigher—Wakefield W. Price. For Cotton Weigher—H. C. Williams. For Sexton—S. J. Swiggood. For Policeman—C. W. Pool. For Policeman—R. M. Barringer.

On motion the police force was increased to three, by the election of J. F. Pace. Various accounts were then examined, and passed on, and the Board adjourned.

Opera Hall. This community is largely indebted to the Messrs. Meroney Bros., for the public Hall known generally by the above name. It is a great improvement on anything we ever had before. For many years the Court House was the only accommodation in that line—the old Court House that stood on the public square. But as the town grew that became too small, and it was inconveniently arranged for the purpose of exhibitions, though it was admirably located and exactly well suited for town or county meetings for political and other similar purposes.

After the removal of that, "Murphy's Hall" came in, with no other recommendation but size—it was large—but the long, winding, out-side stairs to the third story, were difficult of ascent and dangerous of descent, to persons under excitement; and the overhead ceiling was too low for the comfort of the audience. Next, what was known as McNeely's Hall, was subject to similar objections—too near the roof—too hot in summer and too cold in winter. The Messrs. Meroney endeavored to avoid these objections and provide a Hall that would meet public requirements; and it must be admitted that they were quite successful. For although it is not exactly as good as could be desired, it is far superior to any Hall the town has ever had.* And yet a portion of the public, at least, is not satisfied with Meroney's Opera Hall. They long for something better—they have seen better in some of our large cities—a place more beautiful—more convenient—more comfortable—more accessible, and easier to escape from in case of a panic. It is no uncommon disposition of the human mind. People will reach out after objects not possessed, but which are supposed to be better than those they have; a disposition which is the parent of almost all progress. So it is coming to pass that Meroney's Hall has ceased to charm or to satisfy all who occasionally go there for an evening's entertainment; and we tell it in this way to see what will come of it. We venture to say that the Opera Hall has not been a paying institution, and that in this fact will be found a reason why it is not better than it is, and should restrain anxiety for another step in the same direction, at least for the present, unless indeed some one or more enterprising gentlemen can be found who will buy the old Mansion Hotel corner, and erect thereon a magnificent block with stores on the ground floor and a modern Opera Hall above. That corner is mentioned as the most eligible, and because, the building which now covers it, is said to have long since outlived its time—it has become antiquated and unsightly as compared with its neighbors.

*In the days of Dan'l Meann, Albert Torrence, Dan'l Cross, Isaac Burns, — Gade, Wynn, the silversmith, B. Craige, and others, we had a Hall made of a large barn, which stood on Lee street, exactly opposite to Helig's livery stable. It was fitted up with stage and seats arranged in pyramidal form, rising one above another, to the back wall. It was designed for theatrical performances but was also used for other occasions—very convenient but by no means permanent.

University Catalogue, 1886-87. Just received—shows 240 matriculates, same as preceding year. Considering the failure of crops and that there is no preparatory department, the number is quite satisfactory. The Faculty includes 15 teachers. There are 18 lecture rooms, 6 laboratories and museums for daily scientific work, a large general museum; a select library of 25,000 vols.; a reading-room with 80 papers and journals, and a fine supply of maps and illustrative apparatus. The law school is flourishing.

Rowan Superior Court. The following cases on the State docket were disposed of last week:—Geo. Verbie and Mattie Reeves, f. and a., plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs. John P. Lucas, affray; not guilty. Robert Carter, affray; guilty \$5 and costs. Richard Plummer, selling liquor to minors; plead guilty, judgment suspended on payment of costs. John Clamper, a. and b.; 30 days in jail and costs. John Corriher, affray; not guilty. H. A. C. Ketter, selling liquor to minors; not guilty. Wm. L. Bost, false pretense; guilty, 6 months in jail with authority for county commissioners to bind him out. Jesse Setzer, larceny; submitted, judgment suspended on payment of costs. Geo. Carson, guilty; \$10 and costs. Jas. R. Crawford, assault with a deadly weapon; plead guilty, \$100 and costs. Michael Geary and Julia Thompson, f. and a.; guilty. Addison Powe, larceny; 1 year in penitentiary. Alex. Barber, larceny; 1 year in penitentiary. Chas. Stevenson, larceny; 3 years in penitentiary. Eliza Allison, larceny; 6 months in jail with authority for county commissioners to bind her out.

Financial Condition of Salisbury. Auditor's report for year ending May 31st, 1887. E. B. NEAVE, Mayor. To fines and penalties collected, \$348.26; cash to balance salary, 151.74; Total, \$500.00. By salary, one year to May 1st, \$500.00. G. H. SHAVER, Town Tax Collector. To amount on tax book for 1885, 22.36; To amount on tax book for 1886, 6,817.92; To amount on special tax book, 1886, 1,878.30; To amount collected from Gas Co., 96.00; To amount collected from Dog Tax, 46.00; Total, \$8,860.58. By erroneous and uncollected taxes, 238.36; By amount paid Treasurer, 8,369.55; By amount taxes uncollected on book of 1886, 232.67; Total, \$8,860.58. I. H. FOUST, Town Treasurer. To balance on hand May 7th, 1886, 355.78; To amount rec'd from G. H. Shaver, T. T. C., special taxes, 1,849.30; To amount rec'd from G. H. Shaver, white general taxes, 6,079.76; To amount rec'd from G. H. Shaver, colored general taxes, 298.40; To amount rec'd from G. H. Shaver, dog tax, 46.00; To amount rec'd from G. H. Shaver, Gas Co., 96.00; To amount rec'd from Jano. M. Gill, city weigher, 56.51; To amount rec'd from H. C. Williams, cotton weigh'r, 141.15; To amount rec'd from graves, 71.50; Total, \$8,994.49. By amt paid on vouchers from 505 to 1147, 7,562.05; May 5th, by amt balance on hand, 1,432.44; Total, \$8,994.49. R. J. HOLMES, Auditor.

Saw Dust. Mr. Editor.—While the farmers are busily engaged in cultivating their crops; the saw continues to run. Gen. Crabgrass has made a bold attempt to take the country, but, there being plenty of flanking officers, has found himself defeated. Rainfall has been very moderate in this section, though a few miles west and south it has been heavy. Prospects for good crops are flattering. Wheat in bloom, oats heading, corn and cotton about ready for the second working. Mr. A. E. Barnhart has the best cats, and Mr. J. W. and L. A. Deal Esq. have the best wheat we have seen.

There is some chance of a farmer's club being organized at Saw. One of Saw's sons is in contemplation of a document to go before the public, entitled "Two years in Rowan." Perhaps it will appear in the WATCHMAN.

Our people, for the first time, are taking an interest in education. They will go before the commissioners soon to ask permission to move the schoolhouse. There is a good opening here for wood-shops, there being quite a quantity of hickory, white oak, sour wood, &c., all easy of access.

SAW HANDLE No. 2. LIST OF LETTERS. List of letters remaining in post office at Salisbury, N. C., for the week ending May 14, 1887. H W McDaniel, Calvin Cruse; Samuel Swink, M Cruse; Smith & Norman, P Fabley; R C Peeler, Charlotte Foster; J N Coble, Steele Foard; Geo N Heellig, G W Gaskell; Dave Murphy, R B Hall; Tony Brown, Annie Mowery; Wash Henderson, Geo M Henderson; Jennettie Holmes, Jane Mitchell; Annie Alexander, D Mitton; Mr Banks, Annie Neely; Mr Bankisted, Henry S Owens; Matilda Clark, Doves Poor; Charlie Clark, Fields Reece; J S Caldwell, Reuben Trexler; John Canup, Cora Wadkins; G S Yates, McGruder Coppening; Rev J A Tyler, J L Trexler.

Please say advertised when the above letters are called for. A. H. BOYDEN, P. M.

Lightning struck a tree near Nevil Ind. the other day. Near the tree was a large pond. Soon after the tree was struck the water in the pond began sinking, and in a few days the pond was perfectly dry.

MINING DEPARTMENT.

T. E. BRUNKE EDITOR, RALEIGH, N. C.

Howie Mine. The Howie mine, in Union county, has recently been unwatered for the purpose of closely examining the supply of ore, and in case of success, to begin permanent work.

From a reliable source we learn that the mine is producing very fine gold ore, which is being hoisted from the "Bull face" shaft, now 175 feet deep.

HEMBY MINE. The Hembly mine, in Union county, has resumed operations, after a two month's rest. There are a number of veins on the tract, (63 acres) which is so shaped as to allow considerable length of vein on so limited an area.

The mine is now worked by a northern company, with Mr. G. T. Raymond, as manager. It has been operated almost continuously for 12 or 14 months.

They have a rather troublesome ore to work, but it turns out considerable gold. The company has spent about \$15,000 in the development of the property. They have a good ten-stamp mill, engine, pump, hoister, &c. The work is in all probability on too small a scale to do justice to the property.

IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY. There is not as much activity as usual around Charlotte, in mines, but considerable is being accomplished. The stamp mill at the Todd mine is the only one going, and they have made several successful runs. The Rudisill is being operated by small parties of tribblers, pending negotiations for a sale, and the returns are reported larger than might be supposed for such small operations.

The St. Catherine is being developed; the ore bodies exposed are larger than ever before, but the ore is not of a character to amalgamate well.

The Henderson and the Point mines are only doing prospecting work, and both have good bodies of ore. The same may be said of the Dunn and the Ray mines, at both of which there is a large amount of material accessible.

HOOPER HILL. Work at the Hooper Hill mine, in Randolph county, which was a regular producer for several years, was stopped a month ago. There is at present no probability of reviving it.

The Catawba mine, in Gaston county, is worked at a depth of 150 feet, at which depth very large bodies of ore have been encountered; it is said that regular milling work will be commenced at once.

MOORE COUNTY. In Moore county considerable petty work is being done. The merchants are shipping larger amounts of gold, bought from the miners, than has been shipped during the last four or five years. Some gold is being taken from the Burns, and some from the Cagle mine; the rest is from various sources in the gold district. Mining in Moore seems, from the foregoing, to be in a more healthy condition than for several years past.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE. The Dixie mine is in Lancaster county, S. C., but near the Union county, N. C., line. They will start their stamp mill next week, and the prospect for a successful mining future for the Dixie is very promising. Mr. H. G. Hotchkiss is on the property in the dual capacity of superintendent and part owner. This insures honest management.

Increased production is reported from the Haile and the Brewer mines, in South Carolina.

GEORGIA NOTES. There have been no changes of importance in the condition of mining in Georgia since the last report. The work seems to be progressing smoothly in the gold regions.

The Santer mine in White county; the Barlow, Ralston and Gorden in Dahlonega county; the Kin-moi in Dawson county, and the Franklin and McDowell in Cherokee county, are at their usual work, and with the customary results. As much may be said of J. B. Smith's mine in McDuffie county.

MT. VERNON, N. C., May 16th, '87. Dear Watchman:—There is no use procrastinating and absconding the fact that the farmers of North Carolina must organize and act for self-defense or go to the wall. The other classes—the traders, the professionals and the manufacturers—most certainly will not take care of us, if we do not make 'em come to us instead of us externally going to them. We wish 'em no harm—indeed we revile them as our independent aids and agents within what is 'ar. But that we should be bound to take their, and also give them their prices, is a downright business; and, sir, let me say, without bravado, we are nearly at the bottom of that hill—another step, and we are on the brink of ruin—we will talk no longer, the necessities of the times are now banding us, not against them as classes, but most emphatically against their policy which has been destroying the agricultural interest for years, till we no more own a title of the property we once did own—the greater part of it has fallen into their hands and we must organize or they will have all.

This is not the appeal of a grammarian. It is the voice of the people; and, in the name of all that is right, we say that it is time you heard it. I appeal to every farmer in Rowan County, and in the whole State, who may read these lines, to join at once the nearest Farmer's Club and act for the dire necessity for action is here. And I appeal to you, Mr. Editor, and every one of the other classes to heed and acknowledge their wrongs, and help those in and by whom every other class in the land subsists to hold their balance of power. EDWARD PAYSON HALL.

Bridge work on a large scale exceeded all past enterprises this year. Two are projected across the Hudson river, six across the Mississippi, two across the Missouri, a \$10,000,000 bridge across the Potomac, 4,063 feet long, besides many others of less magnitude.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

At Salisbury, in the State of N. C., At the close of business, May 13, 1887.

RESOURCES.

Table with 2 columns: Resource, Amount. Includes Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, Due from approved reserve agents, Due from other National Banks, Due from State Banks and bankers, Real estate, furniture, and fixtures, Premiums Paid, Checks and other cash items, Bills of other Banks, Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies, Specie, Legal tender notes, Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (1 per cent. circulation), Total.

LIABILITIES.

Table with 2 columns: Liability, Amount. Includes Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, National Bank notes outstanding, Dividends unpaid, Individual deposits subject to check, Time certificates of deposit, Cashier's checks outstanding, Due to other National Banks, Due to State Banks and bankers, Total.

State of North Carolina, County of Rowan, ss: I, I. H. FOUST, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I. H. FOUST, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of May 1887. ORIN D. DAVIS, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest: S. W. COLE, G. A. BINGHAM, R. J. HOLMES, Directors.

The Panama ship canal, says the Scientific American has already cost \$80,000,000 in stock and \$240,000,000 in bonds. Out of a total of 200,000,000 meters of material to be excavated, 37,727,000 have been moved. The floods in the Chagres river which crosses the route 29 times, fill up the canal almost as fast as it is cleared. The difficulties to be overcome are stupendous.

A violent storm at Duluth, Minn., caused damage amounting to nearly one million dollars.



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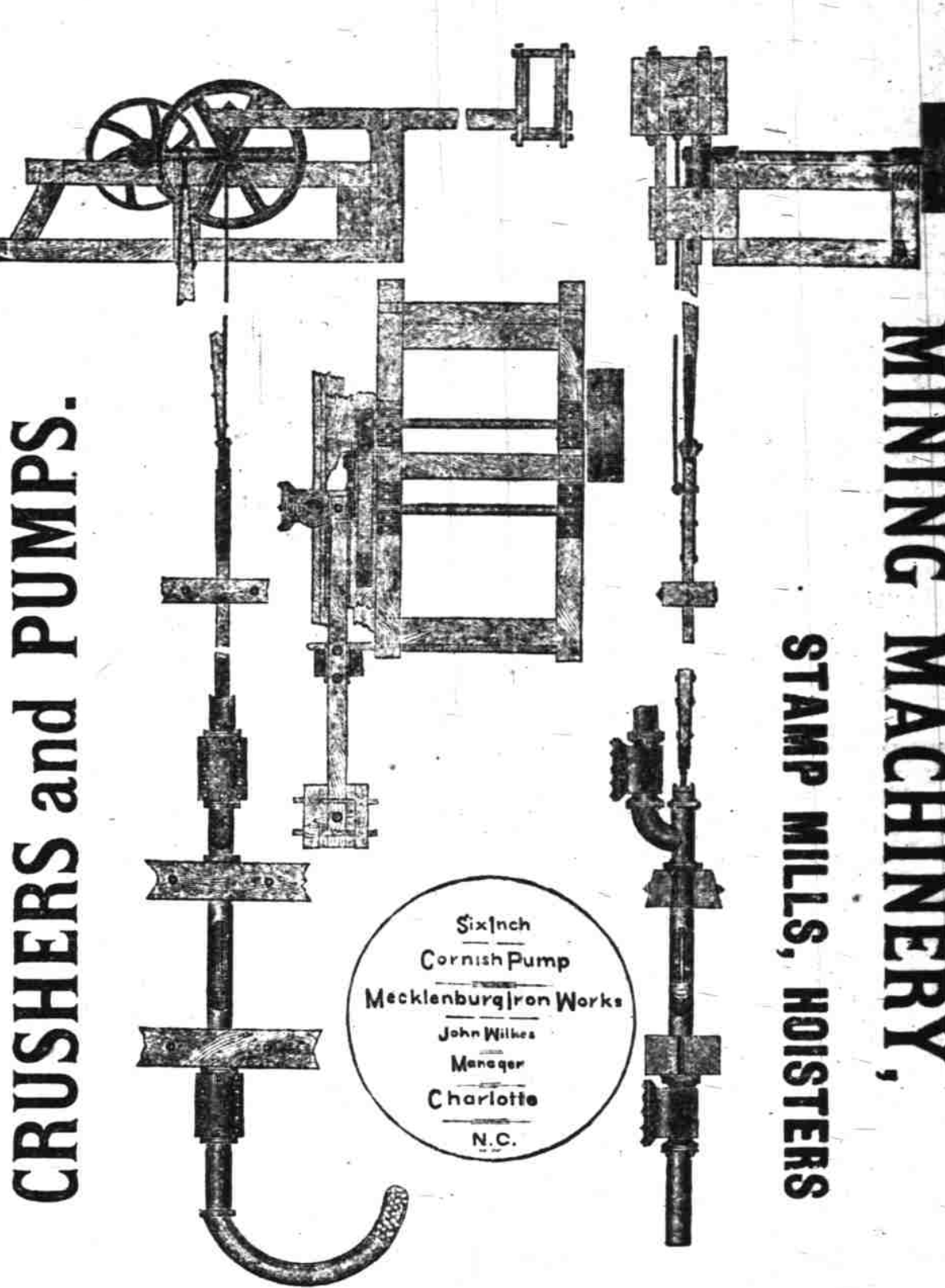
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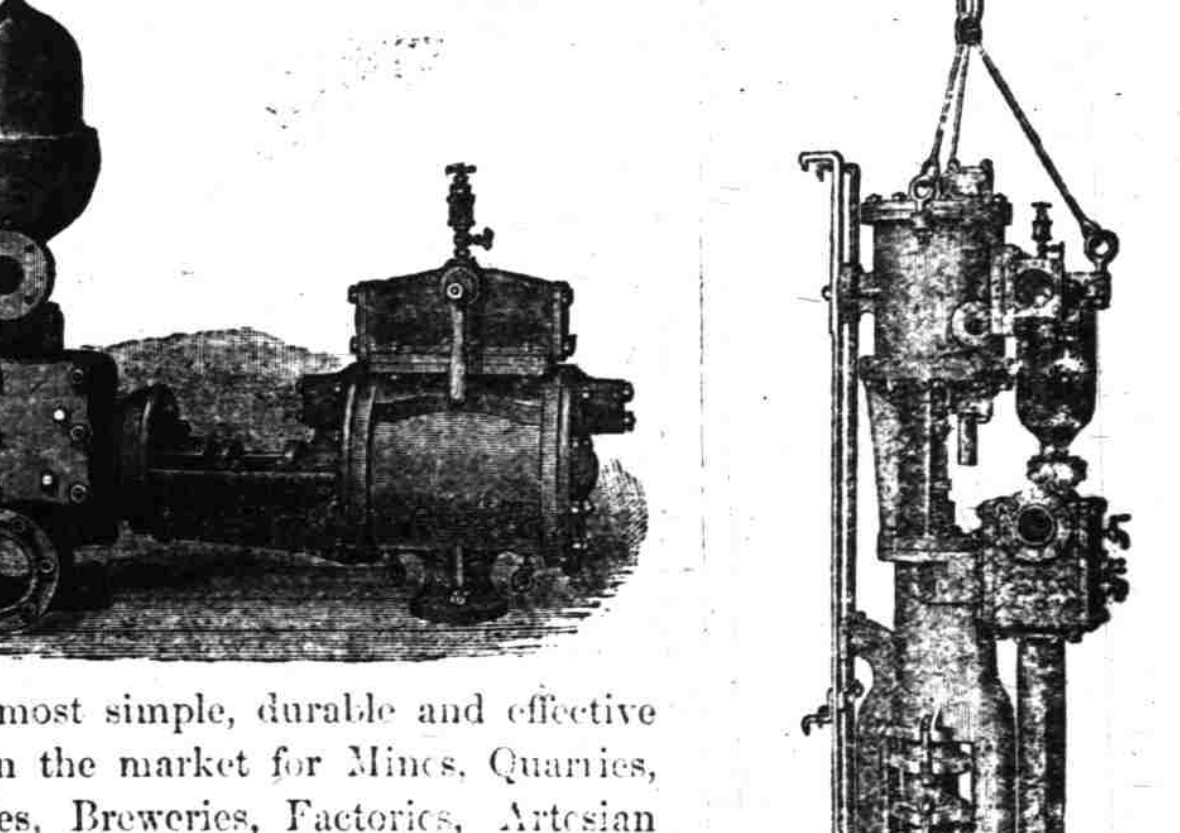
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