

# NORTH STATE NEWS

## Items of Interest Gleaned From Various Sections

### FROM MOUNTAIN TO SEASHORE

Minor Occurrences of the Week of Interest to Tar Heels Told in Paragraphs.

#### Charlotte Cotton Market.

These figures represent prices paid: Good middling...11 Strict middling...11 Middling...10 1/2 Good middling, tinged...10 1/2 Stains...9 1/4 @ 10

#### General Cotton Market.

Gaiveston, steady...10 1/2 New Orleans, easy...10 11-16 Mobile, quiet...10 9-16 Savannah, steady...10 7-16 Norfolk, steady...10 7/8 Baltimore, nominal...11 1/2 New York, quiet...11 25 Boston, quiet...11 25 Philadelphia, quiet...11 50 Houston, steady...10 10 1/2 Augusta, steady...10 10 1/2 Memphis, nominal...10 13-16 Louisville, firm...11 1/4

#### Sensational Charges.

Asheville, Special.—Summons have been served on officials of the Southern Railway Company and the Pullman Car Company in a suit instituted in Superior Court of Buncombe county by Julia Wilkinson. The plaintiff is represented by Martin & Craig, of Asheville, and although the complaint has not yet been filed, it is understood that damages in the sum of \$30,000 of \$40,000 will be demanded. It is said that the complaint will contain some sensational charges. It will be alleged by the plaintiff that about a year ago, she was a passenger from Salisbury to Asheville and that she rode in a Pullman car; that she was grossly insulted by some men in the car and maltreated; that this insult was due to the negligence of the Pullman Car Company in not properly separating the berths and protecting the passengers.

#### To Rebuild Dam.

Asheville, Special.—It is learned here that the management of the Asheville school, located in West Asheville, contemplates the erection, in the near future, of a great dam across Ragsdale creek, in that section. The dam will be built at the same location as the previous one, which was washed away last spring by the floods. The proposed structure will be of rock foundation with steel frame and concrete. It will be 50 feet in height and will, when completed, give a great lake for the Asheville school students' pleasure. The dam will be 20 feet thick at the base narrowing to 18 inches at the top. It is expected that the contract will be let in a short time. The estimated cost of such a structure as proposed will be \$20,000 to \$25,000.

#### There Are But Two.

Morganton, Special.—A special meeting of the board of directors of the State Hospital here was held at that institution. It was a meeting adjourned from the regular meeting in December in order to complete the investigation then begun to ascertain how many of the patients have estates which would support them in private hospitals, or how many having no estates of their own, could be so supported by those responsible for their care. It develops that there are only two.

#### Incorporations.

The Schull Contracting Company of Beaufort, with \$100,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed capital stock, was chartered recently. The incorporators are: C. L. Duncan, W. J. Schull, C. D. Jones, J. B. Jones, W. A. Mace, all of Beaufort.

The Gem Cigar Company, of Wilmington, with \$10,000 authorized and \$4,125 subscribed capital, was chartered, the incorporators being J. C. Wessell, D. N. Chadwick, Jr., and W. Struthers, Jr., all of Wilmington.

#### Verdict for \$1,800.

Greensboro, Special.—Guilford Superior Court is engaged in the trial of the case of Mary Mitchell vs. the Southern Railway Company and it will not go to the jury before Saturday afternoon. The jury in the case of Glenn Hayes vs. the Southern returned a verdict of \$1,800 in favor of the plaintiff.

#### Weldon's New Enterprise.

Weldon, Special.—A new corporation is to be chartered and known as the Chickycatte Mills, capitalized at \$50,000. Subscribers to the stock who met here were Paul Garrette, of Norfolk; H. C. Hewlett, of Providence, R. I.; Dr. R. H. Stancill, M. W. Ransom, of Northampton county; W. E. Daniel, W. T. Staw, W. A. Pierce, D. R. Anderson and C. L. Clark, of Weldon.

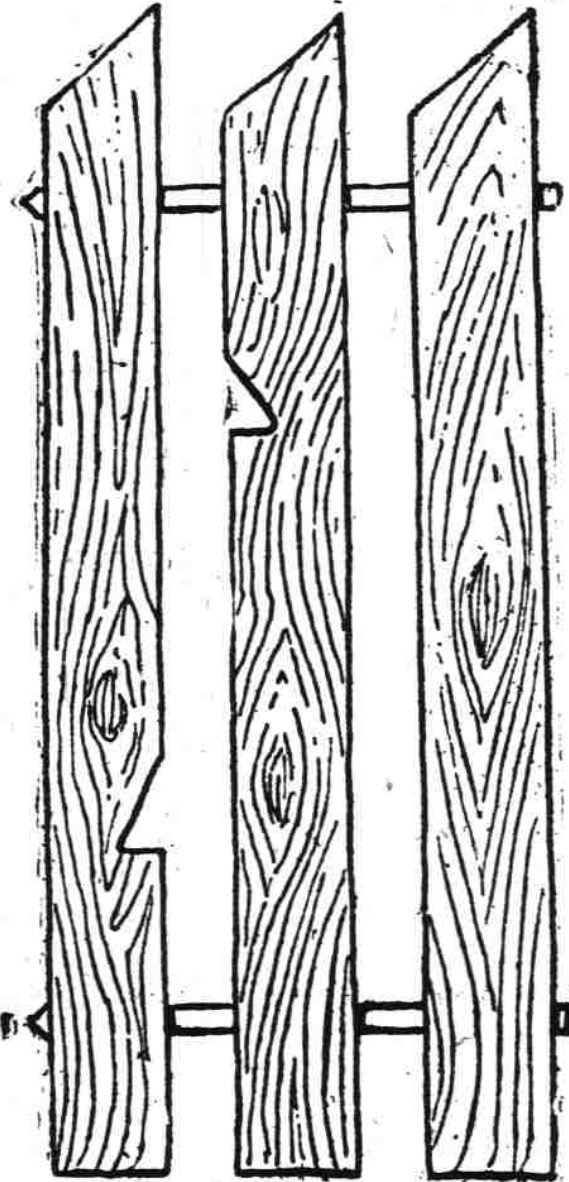
# NORWAY'S NEW KING AND QUEEN.



King Haakon the Seventh of Norway is tall, blonde, and good-looking, standing more than six feet high. On November 27, Queen Maud was thirty-six years old. She is three years older than her husband, and is the youngest daughter of King Edward of England. She is described as being attractive personally, a daring driver and excellent huntswoman. Skating and bicycling are also numbered among her athletic accomplishments.

#### HOW TO SCALE A HIGH FENCE.

Perhaps it is impolitic to teach boys new tricks, but it is really too bad to have to walk a mile when it is so easy to get over the fence and go cross-lots. Some years ago a man thought out

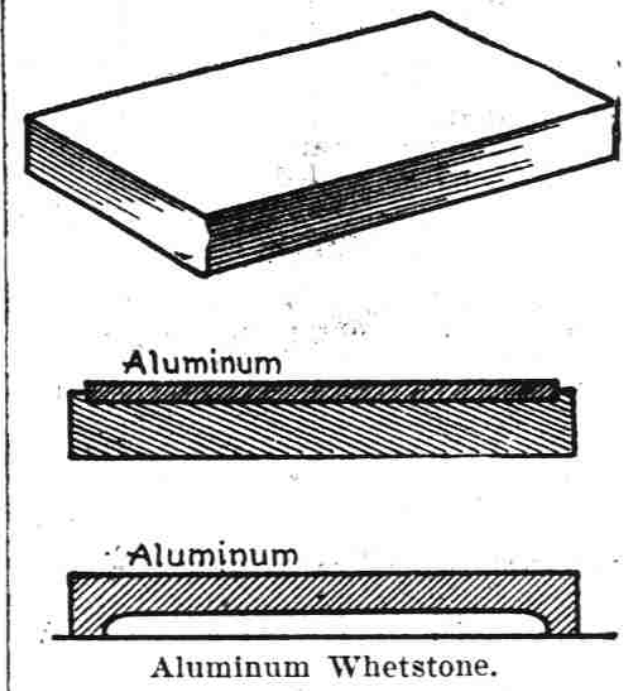


a new way of making a fence. He just sawed a thirteen-foot board in half diagonally and produced the result shown in this picture of a seven-foot fence which looks hard to get over. There are many miles of this style of fence in New Jersey, and it seems especially popular in Monmouth County. Long ago the boy with a jack-knife

solved the problem of getting over this kind of a fence, and the picture shows how easy it is to do it. It is just like going up and down a ladder.—Newark Sunday Call.

#### ALUMINUM HONE.

The ordinary hone, composed of natural stone, has always been objectionable for the reason that it is breakable and is not always of uniform texture throughout, the best of the natural hones being quite expensive. A Philadelphia has discovered the fact that



aluminum possesses qualities which render it available as a cheap and effective substitute for the usual natural hone, the metal being of close grain and of uniform texture. He claims, also, that it is better than the natural stone in the respect that it imparts a sharper and more lasting cutting edge and is practically unbreakable. In preparing the metal for use as a hone or whetstone, it is cast in the form of a block, such as is shown in the illustration, which can be used without mounting.—Philadelphia Record.

# Four Ways the Cherry Tree Incident Could Have Happened.



Little G. W.—Father, I cannot tell a lie! Say, give us a lift, will you?

"Why did you cut down my favorite cherry tree, son?" "Why didn't you tell me it was? I'd just as soon tackled any of the others, paw!"

"Gee! This is tough wood, but I've got to break into the story books somehow!"

"Hi! Hold on, paw! This ain't no cordin' to history!"

#### The Facetious Hatter.

Down in Nassau street there is a hatter who calls attention to his wares by arranging his windows with feak devices, the latest form of which is to fill his shop front with nothing but straw hats.

In the spaces not occupied by the unseasonable headgear big signs are displayed, one bearing the announcement that these are the "fur caps of the Panamas." Another sign reads: "Isn't

this funny?" and the passing crowd evidently thinks so, for few of its units went along without stopping to look and grin. The hatter made a distinct contribution to the gaiety of New York for a few days at least.—New York Press.

#### German Law on Soldering.

Germany prohibits the use of acids or chloride of zinc for soldering cables or other similar electrical conductors.



New York City.—Every fresh variation of the blouse is sure to find its welcome. Here is one of the smartest and best that the season has to offer



and which is adapted to a variety of materials and to a great many combinations. In the illustration white taffeta is stitched with beading silk and combined with a little chemisette of tucked mousseline, but this chemisette can be of lace, of embroidered material, or, indeed, of almost everything that may make an effective contrast with the waist. Again, if liked, the little turn-over collar can be of velvet or of moire, both of which are greatly in vogue this season. Also the waist will be found equally well

the brim, at the right of the back, is a white velvet camellia blossom, mounted with green leaves.—Millinery Trade Review.

#### Waist For Evening or Day Wear.

The square neck evening waist makes a feature and a novelty of the season and is very generally becoming and attractive. Illustrated is one of the best possible models that includes sleeves of the very latest sort and which is adapted to the entire range of soft and crushable fabrics of fashion. In the illustration pale pink messaline crepe is trimmed with ecru lace, but colors as well as materials are exceedingly varied this year and trimmings are almost numberless. Lace is always pretty and attractive, but embroidered bandings can be utilized if better liked. In addition to all these advantages the waist allows of making with the yoke and long sleeves, so becoming adapted to daytime wear. The sleeves with the short puffs and fitted under portions are among the latest designs noted on imported models and are to be much commended. In this instance there are frills which add largely to the effect.

The waist is made with a fitted lining and itself consists of fronts, centre front and backs. The fronts are tucked and joined to the plain centre, while the closing is made invisibly at the back. The trimming that finishes the neck is arranged on indicated lines and effectually conceals the edges of the frills, which are arranged over the sleeves and waist. When high neck and long sleeves are used the plain portions of the sleeves can be made



—Misses' Box Pleated Blouse, 12 to 16 years.

adapted to the separate one and to the gown. The deep scalloped yoke collar makes a characteristic feature and the sleeves are quite novel as well as exceedingly becoming, while at the waist is worn one of the deep girdles that mark the latest style.

The waist is made over the fitted lining, which is closed at the centre front, and itself consists of the fronts and back with the yoke collar, which is finished at the lower edges and extends slightly over the sleeves. These sleeves are full and tucked to fit the arms below the elbows and are finished with becoming roll-over cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is five and one-fourth yards twenty-one, four and one-half yards twenty-seven or two and one-fourth yards forty-four inches wide, with five-eighth yard of tucking for the chemisette and seven-eighth yard of silk for belt.

#### Medium Large Turban.

A medium large turban, with pointed front, having the brim turned up on a plane with the crown, but not attached to the crown at its upper edge, has the crown covered with black royal velvet, and facing of velvet, and above the facing on the brim, two puffs of black satin ribbon divided by a band of silver galloon. Folds of the black satin ribbon encircle the crown; laid on the brim at the right side is a full cock's plume mounted with a feather cockade set with a fancy medallion; and set on the bandeau under

to match the yoke or of the material of the gown, trimmed as liked.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is two and three-fourth yards twenty-one, two and one-half yards twenty-seven or one and one-fourth yards forty-four inches wide, with one and three-fourth yards



of lace and four and one-half yards of applique to trim as illustrated, one and one-fourth yards of all-over lace when high neck and long sleeves are used.

#### Jeweled Combs in the Hair.

In the hair this winter women will wear two combs in the back, the lower one smaller than the upper, and both jeweled at the top. These will be varied by the old Colonial type of comb, for a different style of coiffure, and it is more than probable that the Colonial comb will share favor with its twin sister, the Spanish comb, high and broad, and intended to be used effectively in draping the mantilla upon the head. As mantles will be among

the smart autumn and winter styles, the Spanish comb will be practically inevitable, although as yet not in vogue.

#### Ornaments of Platinum.

Platinum is not used not only for delicate chains and mountings for diamonds, but also as the foundation of fancy crosses in openwork set with diamonds, and in arabesques framing a very pale stone, as a light aquamarine in a brooch.

# NOW BACKS DOWN

## Dispensary Investigation Committee Takes Back Water

### NOT TO PROBE PRIVATE AFFAIRS

South Carolina Dispensary Investigating Committee Announces That It Has Decided Not to Hear Evidence of the Special Committee.

Columbia, S. C., Special.—Wednesday afternoon session of the dispensary investigating committee was characterized by some exciting and more or less sensational and dramatic incidents, though the evidence which the spectators had been led to believe would be brought out was shut off by a decision of the commission.

The Supreme Court room, where the sessions of the committee are being held was crowded. At the opening of the session, Representative Lyon made a statement to the effect that he and Senator Christensen, in obedience to the committee's instructions, had visited the three home cities of the three members of the board of dispensary directors, with a view to bringing out a comparison between the proprietor owned by the members of board before going on the board, and what they owned now. He said that they were now ready to go into this matter and that there were a number of witnesses present from Newberry, the home of Chairman Evans, ready to testify.

The other members of the committee got their heads together on the judge's rostrum, which overlooked the seats occupied by Messrs. Lyon and Christensen, and their detective, Mr. Klingenberg, and Attorneys Welsh and Bellenger for the other side. While the conference was going on, Chairman Evans pushed open the side door and strode in, his thumbs in his vest, and a cigar in the corner of his mouth.

"Hubby on the spot," he called. After circulating through the crowd of spectators, he threaded his way into the bar enclosure and, leaning at the detective, assumed a belligerent attitude. It was felt that some trouble might be expected at the afternoon's session and there was a current of suppressed excitement running through the room. The material at hand was in a highly inflammable state and, but for the coolness of those who had this official business in charge, it is likely, that serious results would have ensued.

At this point the committee decided not to go into private details, and thus a disagreeable scene was averted.

#### 500,000 Bales at 13 Cents.

Atlanta, Special.—President Harvie Jordan, of the Southern Cotton Association, made the following statement before leaving for New York: "I have been definitely assured that an underwriting syndicate, headed by E. R. Thomas and backed by the strongest financial syndicate in New York, will under-write 500,000 bales of cotton at 13 cents. This proposition will not interfere with those spot holders, who desire to hold for 15 cents." President Jordan distinctly declared that the Southern Cotton Association and its officers have no connection with the proposed syndicate, but will work with it, as with any other agency to raise the price of the staple.

#### Diaz and Party Board Ship.

Mexico City, Special.—President Diaz and party left Vera Cruz for Progresso. The President and the male members of the party boarded the Mexican man of war Bravo and the lady members went on board the

#### Ignorant of Morse Deal.

Augusta, Maine, Special.—The Clyde Steamship Company filed certificate of incorporation with the secretary of State. The authorized capital is \$14,000,000, all common stock, with a par value of \$100 a share. The incorporators of the new company claimed to know nothing of the reported negotiation for the purchase of the present Clyde Line of steamers by Charles Morse, who now controls the Eastern Steamship Company, operating a line east of Boston, and also the Metropolitan Steamship Company, operating a line between Boston and New York.

#### Family of Three Murdered.

Dothan, Ala., Special.—Weltering in a pool of their own blood, their heads almost severed from their bodies, the dead bodies of J. M. Christman, his wife, and son were discovered at their home near Coltonwood, Ala. The crime was committed some time in the night and robbery is supposed to have been the motive. Details reaching here are meagre and it is said no definite clue has yet been obtained.

#### Attacks and Robs a Merchant.

Chattanooga, Special.—Patrick Milton, a prominent merchant, was assaulted and robbed in his place of business in the heart of the city by an unknown negro. A sum of money was taken from the cash register. Milton is in a serious condition and there is much excitement.