

JUST ABOUT TO FALL.

Have you seen the happy mother when the babe begins to talk? Have you seen her teach the tiny tangled feet the way to walk? Ever near each slender shoulder, yet so feeble and so small, With her ready hands to hold her, when she's just about to fall.

Shut your eyes and you can see her in the baby's childhood days, When the golden gleam of sunset on her tangled tresses plays; And the mother, though grown older, still is near enough to call, With her ready hands to hold her, when she's just about to fall.

Now the baby is a woman, and she's bending o'er a bed, Where the spirit from the body of her gentle mother fled; As the lifeless limbs grow colder, "Mother! Mother!" hear her call, But there are no hands to hold her, and she's just about to fall.

Launched alone on life's rough ocean, she is drifting with the years, But the voyage is a lonely one, and sometimes, through her tears She can seem to see her mother; she can almost hear her call, And by faith she sees another hand to hold her should she fall.

WORLD'S FAIR POINTERS.

Keep your guide book and pencil in your hand.

Don't fail to go in the electrical building at night.

Take a cup of Persian coffee in the Persian theatre.

Don't pay over 50 cents a day for a room. Nice ones can be had for that.

To see the illuminations at night get a seat (an early hour) at the upper edge of the lake.

The best restaurants—the roof restaurants on top of the agricultural and women's building.

Don't try to keep your "crowd" together. You lose time and money. "Two is company" in this instance.

Take one dress or suit only. You don't need more. It isn't good "form to wear good clothes at the fair.

The moveable sidewalk furnishes more fun for the money (5 cents and ride as long you please) than anything on the grounds.

Buy a "Columbian," the newspaper printed in the grounds, as soon as you get in. It tells you the event of the day, what to see and where.

Supply yourself with pennies. You will need them for drinks, i.e. the Waukesha mineral water sold on the grounds by a penny in the slot arrangement.

CLOTHES STOLEN.

Sunday night while Rev. Dr. B. F. Dixon, pastor of the Methodist church, was conducting services, a thief entered his study in the rear of the church and appropriated two suits of the doctor's good clothes. Dr. Dixon says he does not know who took his clothing. All of his own congregation were in church save one, a prominent member who is usually a regular attendant, but curiously enough was absent just at this critical period. Suspicion points to this member, but he claims he can prove an alibi. The doctor says if the party under suspicion took the clothes with a view of entering the ministry he has no objection, but if he took them to sport in he is going to kick.—Statesville Landmark.

DEAFNESS CAN'T BE

cured by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by Catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Coffee grows on the white oak tree, The river run with brandy— My little gal is a blue-eyed gal As sweet as any candy. Fly around my blue-eyed gal, So fly around my daisy— Every time I see that gal She almost runs me crazy.

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HOME AFFAIRS.

AGENT AT ENFIELD.—Mr. S. Meyer is the authorized agent of the ROANOKE NEWS at Enfield and vicinity and any business with the paper can be transacted with him. He will receive and receipt for subscriptions and attend to any other matters entrusted to him. He will also take new or renew old subscriptions.

PLAY BALL.

THE crops are good.

CLEAN your back lots.

FALL will soon be upon us.

AUGUST more than half gone.

A painful end is the end of a bee.

BASEBALL is the rage here again.

GREENBACKS are scarce for change.

A decided fall feeling in the weather.

THE scuppernong will soon be with us.

The first fall month will soon be here.

THE worst feature of a vacation is the end.

THE State farms are now shipping cabbage.

DON'T worry about the financial situation.

COTTON is opening on the light sandy lands.

THE farmers will soon begin to save fodder.

THE nights are now delightful for sleeping.

WATERMELONS continue to be quite plentiful.

CROWDED excursion trains continue to pass through.

No freshets this year to injure our river land crops.

BAY windows are safe harbors at night for little snacks.

CORN on the river lowlands is the finest for many years.

OUR new temple of justice has received a nice coat of paint.

THE colored Baptists are holding their annual revival meeting.

THE hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that spans the world.

THE farmers look happy all over now when you ask about the crops.

THE watermelon loving darkey has certainly been happy this season.

THE bright black eye, the melting blue, I cannot choose between the two.

THE mosquito is built to sit lightly, bite deep, jump high and come again.

THE girl with pretty teeth can laugh heartily at the most ordinary joke.

THE woman with her hand tied up is an index of the preserving season.

THE maidens will soon commence to pick up the sear and yellow leaves.

QUITE a number will visit the World's Fair from this vicinity next month.

WE are under many obligations to Mrs. A. L. Stainbeck for a basket of nice grapes.

THERE are some men who have to be knocked down first and then argued with afterwards.

THE heavy dews in the morning indicate the general approach of the fall on the year.

REPRESENTATIVE WOODARD has appointed as his private secretary Mr. S. B. Gregory, of this county.

It is getting time for the patent weather prophets to be telling us of the awful hard winter ahead.

If some people think they can crawl through the needle's eye into heaven they're going to get stuck.

THE crop prospects throughout this county are splendid. Although money is scarce, it looks like we will have enough to eat and to spare.

THE new vestibule cars for the Seaboard Air Line are now on exhibition at the World's Fair, and will soon be put on the line from Washington to Atlanta.

LAST week a well known merchant here purchased a fine dog from an unknown colored boy, and the next the owner of the stolen canine came along and claimed the animal. The only consolation left the merchant is a new dog chain and collar he had purchased for his pet.

THE two convicts, who escaped from the State farm last winter during the big snow, have been lingering in the neighborhood ever since. They were harbored by a colored woman at or near Mr. R. W. Brown's. She only made the fact known within the last few days, after the escaped criminals moved elsewhere.

A VALUABLE BOOK.—The Bureau of Labor Statistics, at Raleigh, is compiling a directory of the industries and manufacturing of the entire South. This will be a valuable contribution to our statistical literature.

NEW DRESS.—The Scotland Neck Democrat came to us last week in a new dress which greatly improved its appearance. We are glad to note this enterprise on the part of Bro. Hilliard and wish him continued success.

TWO LARGE RATTLESNAKES.—On Friday last while Mr. F. B. Whitehead and Mr. Crit Dickens were in towa, each having a load of mammoth watermelons, kindly remembered this office by donating two specimens of the above variety. They were cold, luscious and crisp, and evidently the result of careful and successful farming. Thanks to both.

STORE BROKEN INTO.—One night last week thieves entered the store of Messrs. Emry & Pierce, by removing a broken glass from one of their show windows, and carried off clothing and other goods. One of the thieves has been arrested in Petersburg and we learn that he is being held there on another charge. The name of the rogue who is under arrest could not be learned.

HUMBUG.—It's sound old fashion, and expresses just what you meant, after having something of no account. Now there is no humbug about Simons Liver Regulator. Some imitation or substitute may be offered you instead, but none will give the relief from indigestion, dyspepsia and biliousness like the genuine Simons Liver Regulator. You know it by the Z on every package, and the relief it gives.

A DELIGHTFUL GERMAN.—The Weldon German Club gave one of their most delightful dances here last Thursday night. About ten couples participated in the social whirl and the event was most enjoyable. The ladies were all most becomingly attired in charming costumes and the ball room presented to the looker on a most bewitching array of female loveliness. The Weldon club knows how to give nice Germans.

STOCK AT LARGE.—We have been requested by several citizens to call the attention of the town authorities to horses and other stock which runs at large upon the streets. It will be too late to put a stop to this nuisance after some child is run over and injured or killed. The ordinance in regard to stock running at large should be strictly enforced and the complainants may rest assured that it is only necessary to call the attention of our officers to the fact in order to have the matter promptly attended to.

WILL DIG FOR GOLD.—A syndicate of capitalists of West Virginia recently purchased the Adams' gold mine near here. They have now organized a company to be known as the West Virginia Mining and Milling Company and have been incorporated for the purpose of working the mine. Machinery necessary for the developing of the mine will be shipped here, and the company will begin operations at an early day. The mine has been visited by members of the organization and they consider it a very valuable one.

AN ITEM TO BE APPRECIATED.—The board of town commissioners at their August meeting decided to collect no purchase tax from the merchants of the town this year, and they also reduced the property tax from 33 1/2 to 25 cents on the \$100 valuation. This will be properly appreciated by our business men and is as it should be. The burdens of taxation should be lifted from the people whenever it is possible and consistent with good government, and we are glad to note that our town fathers have taken this wise step in the right direction.

What is more pleasing to a fellow, Than a pretty girl under his umbrella.

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN MINISTER.—Rev. Charles M. Cook died at his home in Edgecombe county last Saturday, after having been paralyzed for a number of years.

The deceased was for many years a member of the North Carolina Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and in this county he was well known and highly esteemed by a large circle of friends. In 1877 Mr. Cook conducted the greatest revival ever known in this section, the influence of which will live forever. Many of the best workers in the churches here were converted at that meeting. He was a great sufferer the last few years of his life, but when the Lord shall come to make up his jewels, we trust that he may have many souls to his ministry and souls for his hire. His memory will ever be cherished by the people of Weldon. He was the father of Hon. Charles A. Cook, of Warrenton, and our sympathies are with the bereaved family.

A CONVICT ESCAPES.—On Friday, a negro convict on the Northampton side of the river made a dash for liberty, and it is thought, the attempt resulted in death from drowning. After successfully eluding the guards for about two miles down the river, he plunged in, and no trace of him has yet been seen. The hounds were let loose and they followed the track to the edge of the river but could go no further. The last foot print seen was about half in the water. As the hounds were tried on the opposite side of the river without effect, and several shots having been fired, it is supposed that he was drowned, either by the possible cause of wounds, or exhaustion from his long run.

ACCIDENTALLY OVERHEARD.—Pa, who are these men at Squire Evans' corner, and why are they shaking their fists at each other, and using cuss words, which are ugly?

"They are damn fools, my son, discharging financial gas."

"What's that?"

It is a fluid generated by a watery brain. They are discussing the relations of gold and silver, and the message."

"Well, can they explain it all?"

"No—no—my dear son, they talk entirely too much and read and digest entirely too little. Each, probably, could explain the cause of our distress, if he could get anybody else to stop talking long enough to listen at him. It is funny to see how ignorant some people are on this important subject. Now, your father could soon explain it, if the infernal fools would only shut up!"

THE FAVORITES LOST.—Weldon's first nine crossed bats with a second nine at Baseball Park last Thursday, "just for practice," but before the game ended every one realized that Weldon's favorites were badly beaten by the tail enders, and that henceforth they deserve a better name, and shall hereafter be known as Raleigh Daniel's Colts. The F. N.'s were first to the bat and scored a run. The Colts then took the ash and succeeded in pounding three runs out of the sphere. In the second and third the favorites failed to score and were shut out in one, two and three order. When the sixth inning was called the Scrubs were 12 to 3, and then it was that the first nine pulled themselves together and batted the ball all over the field and placed 9 runs to their score, tying the game. The Colts were in no way dismayed, however, and cut four more notches in their score. There were several pretty plays on each side and some heavy batting was done by Daniel, Garrett and others. Hayward pitched a fine game for the Colts, while "Reddy" Smith, who wore the bird cage behind the bat, held him down. The battery work for the favorites was also very good, but Pitcher Nowell was not in quite as good form as Hayward for the battle. Black Pierce was right there behind the bat and caught a fine game. The cranks seemed to enjoy it immensely and the rooters galloped around like so many lunatics. Only a few ladies were present to smile their approval. Following is the score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
First Nine, 1 0 0 2 0 9 4 1 0—17
Scrubs, 3 1 3 2 3 4 4 3 x—23

There will be another game by the same teams this afternoon. The game promises to be most interesting and every one should witness it.

Hall's Hair Renewer is pronounced the best preparation made for thickening the growth of the hair, and restoring that which is gray to its original color.

"If you want the silver question Settled in an off hand way, Just stand on a street corner And you'll hear it every day."

PURELY PERSONAL.

BRIEF MENTION OF THE MOVEMENTS OF YOUR FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES.

Senator Ransom was in town Saturday.

Miss Ammie Powers is visiting friends in Goldsboro.

Miss Alice Anderson is visiting friends in Petersburg.

Mr. H. S. Harrison, of Medoc, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. T. H. Chavasse left last Saturday for Henderson.

Mrs. R. T. Cochran is visiting friends in Rocky Mount.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nowell spent a few days in Raleigh, this week.

Misses Lelia and Kate Allen are visiting friends at Emporia, Va.

Miss Mabel Leach, of Littleton, is visiting Miss Estelle Edwards.

Mr. W. C. Whitaker, of Enfield, was among the visitors here Monday.

Mr. Frank Moore, of Raleigh, is now one of the train dispatchers at this place.

Mrs. A. Prescott and Misses Kate and Emily Long are visiting in Halifax this week.

Mrs. W. R. Smith and children and Miss Bettie Clark left last Monday for Oxford.

Miss Lillie Daniel has returned from a visit to relatives in Prince George county, Va.

Mr. James M. McGee, of Sussex county, Va., is visiting the family of Mr. R. W. Young.

Mrs. W. E. Daniel and children are visiting Mrs. Daniel's parents at Fork Union, Va.

Miss Kate Lee, of Emporia, who has been on a visit to relatives here has returned home.

Mrs. W. S. O'B Robinson and children, of Goldsboro, are visiting the family of Mr. R. B. Brickell.

Miss Maud Edwards, who was here last week on a visit to friends has returned to Scotland Neck.

Mr. William Holmes Davis, has returned to town after spending his summer vacation at Ivor, Va.

Master Tommy Anderson has returned home from a visit to Kinston, bringing a pretty little pony with him.

Mrs. Joseph Burwell and Miss Annie Young, of Henderson, who were here last week have returned home.

Col. A. J. Burton, of Reidsville, is visiting friends and relatives in town and community. We are always glad to see the Colonel.

Mr. Marcus Allen, of Raleigh, has taken the place of Mr. Duke, who is off on a vacation, as yard engineer for the Seaboard Air Line.

Mrs. H. L. Harvey, who has been on a visit to High Point, returned home Tuesday, bringing her mother, Mrs. W. E. Johns, with her.

Mr. James S. Battle, formerly a citizen of this place, has been appointed to a position in financial department of the clerk of the Senate.

Mrs. S. P. Hawks and Miss Cato Hawks, of Portsmouth, who have been here on a visit, left last week to visit friends in Greenville county, Va.

Mr. W. R. Vick, who has been quite sick for sometime, we are very glad to say is out again. He is now visiting relatives in the Littleton section.

Mr. Maurice Pittman has returned after two weeks absence and may be found at his old stand dispensing the palatable little pills which we all love so dearly to take.

Miss Pearl Williams, one of Yadkin county's sweetest daughters, who has been on a visit of some weeks here, has returned home to the regret of her many friends at this place.

Capt. H. M. Faucett, of Raleigh, was here Monday shaking hands with his many friends. The Captain is a clever, genial fellow and we wish it was so that he could come oftener.

TO CLEANSE THE SYSTEM Effectually yet gently, when costive or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, to dispel headaches, colds or fevers use Syrup of Figs. No gentleman will insult another. No other can.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. The undersigned having qualified before the clerk of the Superior Court of Halifax county as executor of the last will and testament of R. W. Ivey, deceased, hereby notifies all present holding claims against the estate of the said R. W. Ivey, to present the same duly authenticated to the undersigned or her attorneys Clark & Lillingston, within 12 months from the publication of this notice otherwise the same will be pleaded in bar of a recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please settle at once. MARY E. IVEY, Executrix.

CRACKED KERNELS.

What is home without a dollar?

As long as there is life there are taxes.

A nice, cool drink is soon "out of sight."

A bright baby draws all hearts toward it.

A dead man has the respect of everybody.

A woman often cries when it isn't necessary.

"Empty is the cradle," baby's down to breakfast.

A man may run in debt but he has to crawl out.

A homely woman can generally make good bread.

Not one congressman in a hundred will earn his salary.

A lazy man has the slow, measured tread of a philosopher.

Everybody enjoys a joke except the person that is under the joke.

The hum of the binder and the bumble bee is the chorus of the harvest song.

A kind hearted, motherly old lady is a guideboard that points from earth to Paradise.

The person that doesn't love a nice clean, bigeyed baby would be unhappy in Heaven.

An ice man may possibly go to Heaven, but he is needed much worse in the other place.

Lots of men die in their tracks to resent an insult, who would run from a yellow jacket.

The man that lets his gate swing on one hinge generally conducts his business in about the same way.

Some men have the cheek to equivoque the ship of state who haven't brains enough to successfully manage a 40 acre farm.

Some people are wonderfully cranky. In hot weather they want the windows down and in cold weather they want them up.

Rats are pests that are easily scared into their holes. Would to Heaven bores could be so easily served in the same way.

Some men can easily explain how to pay the national debt who couldn't raise enough money to buy a second hand pair of suspenders.

Some men are so stingy they would let their hair grow down to the pistol pocket of their pantaloons rather than spend a quarter with Perry, the barber.

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Address: Cook's Cotton Root Compound, No. 3 Fisher Block, Detroit, Mich. Sold in Weldon by W. M. Cohen, druggist, my 11 ly.

SHILOH'S VITALIZER. Mrs. T. S. Hawkins, Chattanooga, Tenn., writes: "Shiloh's Vitalizer has saved my life. I consider it the best remedy for indigestion, dyspepsia, liver trouble, liver and kidney trouble, etc. Price 75c."

SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. Have you Catarrh? Try this Remedy. It will positively relieve and cure you. Price 50c. This is the best remedy for the most successful treatment furnished free. Remedy for Shiloh's Catarrh is sold on a guarantee to give satisfaction.

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