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THE CIRCULATION OF THE MORNING STAR IS LARGER THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE.

An instance has recently been cited of the great abuses that arise under the law giving the franking privilege to members of Congress. An Ex Senator from the West, whose term expired last March...

THE SIAMESE TWINS.

It is reported that one of the Siamese twins is lying at the point of death while the other is enjoying his usual good health. Several years ago the Siamese twins visited Europe and consulted the most prominent surgeons of Scotland, England and France...

UTILIZATION OF SEWAGE.

A report, published by a Committee of the British Association, relative to the treatment and utilization of sewage, takes the ground that it is only by filtering this material through the earth itself that the dissolved and suspended substances which are the food of vegetable and the poison of animal life, can be kept out of our rivers and applied to the production of growths.

Holed by His Own Petard.

A story comes from Delaware of an eccentric philosopher who has paid the penalty of his criminal attempt to enlighten mankind. To some extent he did enlighten that abstraction, but not as he intended to do.

Funeral of James A. Oats.

The funeral of James A. Oats, the manager of the Oates Comic Opera and Burlesque Troupe, took place from St. Bartholomew's Church, corner of Great Jones street and Lafayette place, yesterday afternoon. The church was densely crowded and a large number of the theatrical fraternity were present.

STAR BEAMS.

California will harvest thirty thousand gallons of castor oil. J. W. Hosmer, of Janesville, Minnesota, has 150 hives of bees. Through tickets to go around the world are for sale in London for \$1,250. An architectural iron works company has been incorporated in Richmond, Va.

California Wonders.

Near the confines of Fresno, Tulare, and Inyo counties, in the vicinity of the headwaters of the Keweenaw, there exists a remarkable piece of country. The Indians say it is the abiding place of the Evil Spirit. The country is rugged and rocky—mountains, with deep valleys and precipitous cliffs.

Microscopic Wonders.

Lewenboeck tells us of an insect seen with the microscope, of which twenty-seven millions would only equal a mite. Insects of various kinds may be seen in the cavities of a grain of sand. Mould is a forest of beautiful trees, with the branches, leaves, and fruit.

Alleged Agreement Between Holden and Ex-Governor Vance.

Washington, D. C. July 17. Friends of the impeached and self-banished ex Governor Holden, of North Carolina, assert to day that they have effected an arrangement with United States Senator elect Vance, and his friends in that State, whereby it is agreed that Holden shall go back to his home in North Carolina, and rest there in peace, under the protection of Vance and friends, and that, in return for this protection, Holden and his friends have obtained a promise from Radical Senators, who heretofore opposed Vance taking his seat in the Senate, to withdraw their objections, and, in pursuance of this, Vance is to have his seat in the Senate at the next session.

Decapitation.

The Indianapolis Sentinel says: "A farmer was decapitated by a mowing machine, with which he was at work on his premises, near Southport, last Tuesday afternoon. At the time of the accident the farmer was examining some portion of the machine which had got out of gear, when the horses attached suddenly started, causing the blades to revolve, one of them striking the head of the farmer as though guillotined. A youthful son of the deceased witnessed the terrible accident, and, dumb with horror, grasped the head by the hair, and ran with it into his mother's presence."

Not a Two-penny Hero.

Two little girls were recently picking berries on the bank of the Pequonnock river, near Bridgeport, Conn., and the youngest one, a girl of six or seven, accidentally tumbled into the water. On the opposite bank a lad thirteen years of age was also gathering berries, and seeing the accident, plunged into the water and carried the drowning child safe to land. The six year old child thought she must reward her deliverer, and putting her hand into her pocket offered him all the money she had, which was just two cents. The boy thanked her, but refused to accept any reward. The lad proved himself a hero.

Pinchbeck, a colored Senator from New Orleans, has sued the Jackson Railroad Company for refusing to let him have a sleeping berth. He lays his damages at \$35,000. The sleeping cars belong to the great Pullman, of Illinois, and the railroad company have no control over them. Pinchbeck finds he was barking up the wrong tree.

Religious Liberty in Russia.

The Czar has communicated a favorable reply to the appeal of the Evangelical Alliance in behalf of religious liberty in Russia, in which he expresses his sympathy with the object of their prayers. The success of the enterprise undertaken by the Alliance will prove one of the greatest advances in moral progress of the present century.

Four Children Burned to Death.

A heart rending affair has happened at Plantagenet, Ont. The house of a man named St. Jean was burned down in the absence of the father and mother, and their four children, the eldest not quite eight years old, burned to death.

The Field and Fireside.

Summer Pruning of the Grape.

At the Winter meeting of the Lake Shore Grape Growers' Association, at Cleveland, Ohio, there were present some of the most intelligent men of the country, who are engaged in this interesting branch of cultivation. The discussions were directed to the practical questions which are constantly arising in a new line of business; and were of value to those present, as will appear in the report of the society, soon to be published.

Pickling Cucumbers.

The following receipts from an exchange are reasonable and appear practical: 1st. Take cucumbers, wipe them clean, and lay them in stone jars. Allow one quart of coarse salt to a pair of water; boil the salt and water till the salt is dissolved; turn it boiling hot on the cucumbers; cover them up tight and let them stand for twenty-four hours; turn them into a basket to drain. Boil as much vinegar as will cover the cucumbers; wash out the jars and put the cucumbers into them; turn the vinegar on boiling hot; cover them with cabbage leaves and cover them tight. In forty-eight hours they will be fit for use.

Carbolic Acid in Poultry Houses.

Noticing your inquiry with regard to the use of carbolic acid about poultry houses, I beg to say that I have for the past year, used the three carbolic preparations of Messrs. Bowman & Blawett—the powder, and the hard and soft soaps, with the most gratifying results. I sprinkle the powder lightly in the bottom of the nests, and on the floor or ground under the hens with chicks. For a wash for buildings and coops I use a weak solution of the soft soap, and find it quite as efficacious as kerosene, and much safer and pleasanter.

WM. R. HILLS.

In reply to R.'s inquiry in your last issue I would say that I have used with much satisfaction a preparation called Carbolic Disinfecting Powder. As often as I renew the straw in the nests or the absorbent under the perches, I scatter a little of the powder among the fresh straw, and over the renewed absorbent. If he wishes to apply it more directly to his fowls, I would recommend mixing a few pounds of it in their dust bath. It has the effect not only to drive away vermin, but it destroys all unpleasant odors, and completely purifies the poultry house.

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Good Taste in Dress.

It is mistaken economy to refurbish up a faded article because it was expensive, for the poor remnant of the past will always tell its own story. A neat, pretty calico or lawn tastefully made is more becoming than tarnished finery, soiled silk or rusty alpaca.

A French woman, however poor, has always the appearance of freshness and novelty. If she needs new boots and can have but one pair, although her inclination points to drab or bronze boots, she chooses black, as for economy and taste combined her best dress is probably black.

A young lady may think herself very fashionably dressed in green gloves, blue bonnet, and scarlet flowers, and purple dress, because each article in itself was costly and well made; but instead of being fashionable it would be in exceedingly bad taste, as however we may admire the rainbows in the sky, they are tawdry on the street. American women of fashion and wealth are now beginning to display great taste in costumes by dressing in uniform colors, and this requires a great outlay of money, each suit having corresponding gloves, bonnets, parasols, etc.

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