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ANSWER TO GYPSY'S WARNING.

Lady, heed thee not her warning,
Trust me, thou shalt find me true:
Constant as the light of morning
I will ever be to you.
Lady, I will not deceive thee,
Fill thy guileless heart with woe:
Trust me, lady, and believe me,
Sorrow thou shalt never know.

Lady, every joy would perish,
Flowers all would wither fast,
Life's short round love and cherish
In this world of storm and blast.
Now the stars that gleam above thee
Scarce the brightest in the night:
Yes, I'll be who fondly loves thee,
In the darkness be thy light.

Down beside the flowing river
Where the dark green willow weeps,
Where its leafy branches quiver,
There a gentle maiden sleeps.
In the morn a lonely stranger
Comes and lingers many hours;
Lady, he's no heartless ranger,
For he strews her grave with flowers.

Lady, heed thee not her warning,
Lay thy soft white hand in mine,
For I seek no fairer lauret
Than the constant love of thine.
When the silver moonlight brightens,
Thou shalt slumber on my breast;
Tender work thy soul shall lighten,
Lull thy spirit into rest.

NEWS COMMENT.

A Connecticut man has gone into the business of propagating sewer rats. He sells their skins to "kid" glove manufacturers.

A convict in Ohio, in giving his wife a parting kiss, slipped into her mouth a note telling her where some of his boodle was hidden.

A Texan cattleman says that the outlook at present is that the supply of cattle from that State will fall short 1,000,000 head this year.

The interior of Labrador is said to be the largest unexplored area on the continent, and it has a waterfall with a sheer descent of 2,000 feet.

Next to his children, the most valued of the possessions of Frank Work, is a $5 gold piece, of which he has been the proud owner for sixty-three years. It was in his pocket when he started out from his Ohio home to seek his fortune at the age of 9 years.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

WHAT IS TRANSPIRING IN AND ABOUT RALEIGH.

Shot in an Affray—County Comissioners—Capt. S. S. Batchelor Resigns—Railroads Assessed—Miscellaneous.

BY OUR RESIDENT CORRESPONDENT.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 8, '91.

The rainfall on Saturday as registered at the signal office indicated 3¼ inches. This is the heaviest fall of rain for a long period in the same length of time much damage is already reported. Bridges washed away, low land crops submerged and washed out of the ground, etc.

At the capital there was nothing but the direct tax business. If it were not for this it would be the dullest place in the city. Mr. Andrews and his lady clerks are just as busy as they can be, while the only money being paid out at the Treasury department is on the direct tax warrants.

The railroads of the State are assessed for taxation to the amount of $18,000,000. This at 28 cents on the $100 valuation for State taxes will amount to $50,400.00. To this will be added the country and corpotion levy.

Our grape growers will bid farewell to the Concord vines. They are all rotting this season. Other grapes are doing very well and the shipping is going steadily on. Prices are a little off, caused from a very good crop of peaches.

SHOT IN AN AFFRAY.

A difficulty occurred a day or so ago between the negro hands on the farm of Mr. E. V. Denton, near the city, in which a negro man named George Williams shot a negro woman. He fired a shot gun and she received several shot, but was not fatally wounded. Williams claimed that the gun was discharged accidentally, but there was thought to be sufficient evidence that he did the shooting intentionally and that he was enraged at the women at the time, so an officer was sent for him and he was arrested.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The county commissioners were in session all day Wednesday testimony in the Raleigh and Gaston railroad case Col. Jno. W. Hinsdale is representing the railroad, and county attorney Armistead Jones represents the county. It will perhaps take several days to close up this matter, and then, no doubt, it will go into the courts.

CAPT. BATCHELOR RESIGNS.

Capt. S. S. Batchelor having tendered his resignation as Captain of the Governor's Guard, Mr. John W. Cross was elected to succeed him. Capt. Batchelor was compelled for several reasons to resign.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The bondsmen of Ex-Sheriff Rogers have paid over to County Treasurer Lougee $700 more on the deficiency of the late Sheriff.

A hog died of hydrophobia on Tuesday night before last at Mr. Jesse Taylor's place just outside of the city. It could not be accounted for except that a small fice, unknown to be mad, bit the hog in June.

Messrs. Will Wynne and Neill Spence left Raleigh last Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock for New York on their bicycles. They started from Fayetteville street and will make an extended Northern trip on their wheels.

The Caraleigh Mills Company this week closed the contract with Messrs. P. Linehan & Sons for the building of the main part of the Cotton Mills, which is to be finished by December 1st next.

The entire force at the Agricultural Department is now busily engaged upon the voluminous task of tabulating the agricultural statistics of the State. This is the first time this has been done in this State and the work will be completed by October 1st. It will be an interesting and valuable statement.

Pickings from Exchanges.

Edison is worth $3,000,000,

Florida produces camphor.

Boston has a peddlers' union.

At Dayton, O., hay is $8 a ton.

Dublin has the largest brewery.

Oatmeal is controlled by a trust.

Chicago has a train of steel cars.

Pittsburg reporters have a union.

Londonderry, Ire., has 700 K. of L.

Boston compositors want nine hours.

A wood-carving machine is successful.

Terrorite is more powerful than dynamite.

Uncle Sam issues 20,000 patents yearly.

Hummelstown, Pa., has a lady letter carrier.

Nebraska's corn crop: 200,000,000 bushels.

Illinois miners averaged $1.15 a day last year.

Chicago strikers were convicted of conspiracy.

New York workworkers are winning eight hours.

EATEN BY WILD BEASTS.

The Skeleton of Little Annie Fredericks Found in the Mountains.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., August 4.—The skeleton of Annie Fredericks, the little girl who disappeared from her home in Laurel Run nearly two months ago, has been found on the mountain side fully seven miles from the village. Wild animals had eaten all the flesh from the child's bones.

When the little girl first disappeared searching parties scoured the mountains on every side, a band of gypsies was chased for three days and their camp thoroughly searched, but without success.

The father had mortgaged his little home to raise funds to carry on the search. On Saturday a neighbor brought word that the child had been found, but when the father heard that it was dead he swooned away. Aaron Porter had found the little skeleton while huckleberrying.

WOULD STARVE HIS WIFE.

One Dollar a Day for Her Support by a Wealthy Husband.

NEW YORK, August 4.—David Livingstone, who owns $39,000 worth of tenement-houses in Baxter street, besides having a well-paying business, has been allowing his wife $1 a day for the support of herself and two children. Livingstone's mother thought this allowance munificent, and held up her hands in holy horrow, exclaming: "My boy, I lived on 15 cents a day!" This is only one sample of the man's meanness, however, and his cruelty has made it impossible for his wife to live with him, and she has begun action for divorce, Her father is a well-to-do tradesman in Washington, D. C.

North Carolina's Forty-Mile Electric Railroad.

A special dispatch from Rutherfordton, N. C., to the News and Courier makes the following statements regarding the 40-mile electric railroad to Asheville:

"For sometime the newspapers have had a great deal to say concerning an electric road that is to run from Rutherfordton, N. C., to Asheville across the mountains by way of Hickory Nut Gap. Mr. Frank Reynolds, president of the road, was in town yesterday, and from him we learn the facts in the case concerning this wonderful undertaking.

The Terminal Belt Electric Railroad is a certainty. Mr. Thomas Turner, of New York, has secured the required amount of capital and has given Mr. Reynolds orders to let out the contract for the work on the road. This was done last week. The contract for the cross ties was let to a company of three gentlemen of Asheville. The surveying was given to E. T. Reveley, resident engineer of the Three Cs Railroad, and the contract for grading was awarded to Mr. Cal Parrish, of Yorkville, who is now at work on the lower division of the Georgia, Carolina and Northern Railroad. Every arrangement is being completed, and work will begin within 30 days.

The portion of three counties, Henderson, Buncombe and Rutherford, through which this road runs is one of the richest districts, if not the very richest district, in timber, gold, iron and fertile lands in Western North Carolina. In beautiful scenery and wonderful sights it far surpasses anything in the South. Chimney Rock, Bat Cave, Shaking Bald mountain, Hickory Nut Gap Falls, the Pools, are all nature's wonders within a mile or mile and a-half of each other. The electric road will bring this wonderful country into touch with the outside world and make it the greatest summer resort on earth. The Logan property, or the "old Chimney Rock place," as it is known, sold last Wednesday for $25,000 to a Boston syndicate, though gentlemen from Charlotte and Wilmington are interested in the company.

This road makes Rutherfordton a place of no small importance. It becomes a depot of supplies for all this new undeveloped country. The fact of this electric road terminating here has given real estate a rise of some 300 per cent. within four months. The town will have electric lights and street cars."

If these reports prove correct and this road be built, the South would have probably the longest electric railway in America.

Dying He Escaped the Gallows.

A telegam from Fort Worth, Texas, to the New York Times, under date of July 29th, says: "J. W. Davis, the slayer of B. C. Evans, the millionaire merchant at Fort Worth, who was sentenced to be hanged August 10th, died to-night at 7:15 o'clock. The immediate cause of death was concussion of the brain, occasioned by an epileptic fit which he had a few days ago. Ten days ago he was taken from his cell on the main corridor to an isolated cell, and the death watch was placed over him. Since then he had not eaten solid food, and gradually gave way physically. Davis leaves an aged mother, who was at his side when he died. The remains were turned over to her."

The plush makers' co-operative shop at New York failed.

A GEORGIA EVANGELIST.

His Way Was Rather Abrupt, But It Was Effective.

The death of Miller Willis, the Georgia evangelist, revives many interesting stories concerning his life and methods. He was certainly the queerest character that ever preached the Gospel at a camp-meeting—at which places he was generally found. His pure and holy life, however, was a model for all. But about his methods: He frequently stopped strangers in the streets, and, planting himself in front of them, would announce some startling text and then disappear, leaving the man or woman to preach the sermon to his or her own liking.

For instance, he on one occasion stopped a stranger and shouted in his ears: "This night thy soul shall be required of thee!" Willis vanished. But a year afterward he met the man in another city. Willis had forgotten him, but the stranger knew his man. Approaching him, he extended his hand and said: "That text you shouted out so strangely to me on the streets of Milledgeville set me to thinking. It was the means of my conversion!"

On another occasion, a dark and rainy night in winter, he passed a crowded hotel in the city of Charleston. Men were lounging and smoking in the lobby. Willis opened the door, but the little figure, in dripping garments, attracted no attention. Suddenly, after rapping loud on the floor with his heavy stick, every eye was turned toward him, when Willie said: "There won't be a man in this house alive in fifty years from to-night!" And he slammed the door and went out into the night.

Some time afterward he was approached by a young man on a street car, who introduced himself, saying: "I have long desired to meet you and to thank you for saying what you did in the hotel lobby one winter's night. Your words have been ringing in my ears ever since, and I am now a Christian man."

"The above are facts within the writer's knowledge. Some people called him "Crazy Willis," but he was far removed from that. He went about doing good, and his life was a blessing to man. —Atlanta Constitution.

North Carolina's First Coke Furnace.

The first coke furnace ever built in North Carolina is under contract. The Cranberry furnace now makes coke iron, which it sells at a high price in Pittsburg for Bessemer steel purposes, but this furnace was not originally for using coke. It is a small furnace intended for charcoal iron. The new coke furnace, for the building of which a contract has just been let, will be located at Greensboro, and will be owned by the North Carolina Steel and Iron Co., of that city.

The Manufacturers' Record has often referred to this company and stated its intention to build a furnace to make Bessemer iron, but it had so long delayed the matter that many had forgotten the organization of the company.

The building of this furnace opens the era of iron making in North Carolina on a large scale, for the iron ore wealth of that State is so great that it must become a great iron producting section.—Manufacturers' Record.

A Fact at a Glance.

Half of the surface of Russia is forest-clad.

London employs 500,000 factory hands.

The Alps stand in six different States.

Pepper cost £15 an ounce in Henry VII's reign.

The average age that women marry at is 22, men 26.

Photographs were first produced in England in 1802.

The annual drink bill of the world exceeds £1,000,000,000.

Doctors say that the left leg is usually stronger than the right.

The flower trade of London exceeds in value £2,000,000 per annum.

A sewing madhine works twelve times as fast as the hand.

An ostrich's egg weighs about four pounds—equal to forty hens' eggs.

A sunflower in a season will produce 12,000 seeds, while a poppy bears 32,000.

The third-class railway fares in Hungary only average one penny for six miles.

Five thousand advertisements appear sometimes in a single issue of the London Times.

Cashmere shawls are made of the hair of a diminutive goat found in Little Thibet.

A mile of railway permanent way, with two sets of rails, takes up 12½ acres of land.

Merely an Inference.

"Was your father a pirate?" asked young Fitztop of the girl of his choice at a clandestine meeting, after the old sea captain had urged his exit from the family mansion on the hill by the use of his pedal extremity.

"No, my darling," was the reply. "Why do you ask?"

"He seemed to me to be a good deal of a freebooter," said the young man, reflectively.

SAVED IN THE NICK OF TIME.

A Brave Switchman Rescues a Bewildered Woman.

CHICAGO, Ill., August 2.—Miss Hattie Lawraine, of Englewood, nearly lost her life by being run down by a Grand Trunk switch engine at the Sixteenth street crossing last night. Switchman George Cusack saved her from being ground to pieces by an act of extraordinary bravery. Miss Lawraine stood on the track awaiting the arrival of a south-bound train and did not see an approching engine untill several bystanders called to her.

The engine was so near that in her frightened state of mind she did not have time to turn. Cusack ran toward the imperiled woman, grasped her in his arms, and, just in time, jumped on to the pilot of the engine. The engine was stopped, and as both Cusack and Miss Lawraine stepped from the footboard unharmed the crowd cheered the switchman's brave act.

OUT OF JAIL.

Dillon and O'Brien Meet With Great Receptions.

DUBLIN, August 6.—John Dillon and William O'Brien have left their prison and were greeted by an excited and enthusiastic throng, in which both factions of the Irish party were represented. They were entertained at breakfast by Bishop McCormick and later in the morning addressed a great crowd of admirers. They started for this city on the forenoon train.

CHOKED TO DEATH.

The Body of a Pretty Young Woman Found in a Swamp.

GLENDALE, N. Y., August 4.—Another mysterious murder was discovered here to-day. A man picking blackberries in the swamps found the body of a pretty young woman, about 20 years old, with dark hair and eyes and petite figure. The marks on the body showed that the girl had been choked to death. There was no evidences of a struggle.

No Avocation.

Here is a portion of the examination to which an old lawyer told me he was subjected when he applied for a license. The oldest member of the examining committee interrogated him:

"Are you familiar with any game of chance?"

"No, sir."

"Don't you know how to play any game of cards?"

"No, sir."

"Surely you understand euchre?"

"Never heard of it before."

"It can't be possible you never indulged in a game of draw poker?"

"Yes, sir, it can. I am a member of the church and don't know one card from another."

"Well (after a long pause of atonishment), young man, we'll give you a license, but how in the world your're going to make a living for the first two or three years after you start practising law is a mystery to us."

Nearly $3,000,000 Coined in July.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 4.—The report of coinage executed at the mints during July shows that there were $1,400,000 in new double eagles, $90,000 in eagles and $110,000 in half eagles, or $1,600,000 altogether in gold. There were 976,000 standard silver dollars coined, and dimes to the value of $200,000, or $1,176,000 altogether in silver. Nickels to the value of $79,600 and cents amounting to $43,400 swelled the month's aggregate coinage to $2,899,000.

Make a Confidant of Your Wife.

"Hum!" said Mr. Wickwire, "here's a great story in this paper. It appears that a man advertised for a boy and the same day his wife presented him with twin sons. If that does not show the value of advertising, what does it show?"

"It shows that if he had confided his business affairs to his wife, as a man ought to, he might have saved the expence of the advertisement," answered Mrs. Wickwire.

Patriotic.

Surely it is better to be mistaken in the bare facts regarding our heroes than to have no such divinities to worship.

"Well, Uncle Mose," said a lady, "I hear you have another pair of twins at your house."

"Yaas, missus, yes we has. Bress dey little hearts!"

"Have you named them yet?"

"Yes'm. Done named 'em aftah two ob de fust Pres'dents ob dis country."

"Indeed! What two?"

"Ole Christofo Columpus an' Juleyous Cæsar, ma'am. We'se great on namin' de children fo' de Pres'dents 'round our house."—Detroit Free Press.

A Frightful Predicment.

Mrs. Grayneck—Why, Johnny, what in the world are you striking Willie for, like that?

Johnny—well, I shuld think I had good cause.

Mrs. Grayneck—What do you mean?

Johnny—well, I let him use my bean shooter all last Sunday afternoon, if he'd say my prayers for me a week; and I've just found out that he's skipped three days.

THE STATE SURVEYED.

NUMEROUS NEWSY NOTES FROM OUR BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

What Has and Will Happen of Interest Throughout the Old North State--Industrial and Otherwise.

Charlotte is to have a new freight depot.

O. K. Stilly & Co. are erecting a saw mill at Vanceboro.

The State laws is now being distributed by the Secretary.

The Salem Water Supply Company will extend its mains.

Wilmington gained $2,000,000 in 1890 in shipping statistics.

F. S. Royster is reported as to erect a fertilizer factory at Tarboro.

Sheriff Sharp, of Alexander county is short $4,000 in his accounts.

The first session of Trinity College at Durham will open October 1st.

Hunnicut, Joiner & Fillmore are reported as to establish a chair factory at Clear Creek.

Endeavors are being made to organize a stock company to erect a cotton mill in Clinton.

J. W. L. Arthur, of Bryson City, has put in machinery for the manufacture of picker sticks.

The Central Land Company, of Salisbury, has been incorporated with a capital stock of $60,000.

The Roanoke Railroad and Lumber Company contemplates the erection of a lumber mill at Newbern.

P. K. McLean, of Carthage, will rebuild and operate the saw mill of McLean Bros., recently reported as burned.

R. E. Blakey, G. L. Dooley, J. S. Drakeford and Thomas Ledwell have incorporated the Blakey Printing Co., of Charlotte.

It is reported that Ellington, Royster & Co., of Raleigh, have put in a saw mill and machinery for the manufacture of bed springs.

J. F. Prettyman, of Pemberton, Va., is reported as erecting near Newbern a saw mill to have a capacity of 20,000 feet per day.

The C. W. Logan tract of land near Chimney Rock has been sold for $25,000, as reported last week. The purchasers are Matthews & Co.

J. K. McIlhenny and others are endeavoring to organize a stock company for the purpose of establishing a chewing gum factory at Winston.

Wilson is becoming a live tobacco town. Six prize houses are being erected, both warehouses are being enlarged and building is going on rapidly.

Henderson Gold Leaf: Crops have improved very much in the last ten days. The warm weather and seasonable rains have brought them out wonderfully.

Smithfield Herald: From our correspondents comes the good news that the crops are generally improving and doing finely with prospects for an average crop.

B. N. Duke, and others have incorporated the Trinity Land Company for the purpose of dealing in real estate in Durham county, etc. The capital stock is $25,000.

D. R. Lean, of Pittsburg, Pa., has received contract to construct the iron furnace of the North Carolina Steel and Iron Company at Greensboro, recently mentioned.

The R. D. Robinson Publishing Company has been organized at Raleigh with R. D. Robinson, president, and W. A. Wilkinson, secretary. The capital stock is $10,000.

The Somerville Cotton Compress Company, of Somerville, Tenn., contemplates organizing a stock company for the purpose of establishing a cotton compress in Newbern.

The Novelty Wood Works, of Hickory, operating novelty wood works, has incorporated with G. C. Bonnewell as president, and J. A. Lentz secretary. The capital stock is to be $50,000.

The Highland Park Manufacturing Co., of Charlotte, recently reported as incorporated, etc., has for its purpose the erection of the gingham mill mentioned some weeks since. R. H. Jordan is president, and Gilmer Brinizer, treasurer.

Their First Quarrel.

The tearful wife—I am going to go right down to the river and drown myself!

The brutal husband—All right, my dear; I suppose it's no use to argue with you; start at once if you really want to.

The tearful wife—It's raining now, and it would spoil my new dress; but I'm going just as soon as it stops, you see if I don't!

THREE THINGS GOOD TO KNOW.

How to Cool the Room of a Feverish Patient.

One of the most useful hints for sick-room attendance is very seldom known outside of a hospital ward, and not even there in many cases. The hint is how to obtain a cold cloth without the use of ice. Every one knows that in fevers or weakness a cold cloth on the forehead or face or base of brain is one of the most comforting things in the world. In the tropical hospitals, and where ice is scarce, all that is necessary is to wet a linen cloth, wave it to and fro in the air, fole it and place on the patient. Have another cloth ready, wave it to and fro just before applying it. These cloths have a more grateful and lasting coldness than those made so by the burning cold produced by ice.

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How to Wipe the Face.

Thousands of people, when drying their faces after washing, wipe them downward—that is, from forehead to chin. This is a mistake. Always use upward—from the chin to the forehead—and outward—toward the ear—motions. Never wipe any part of the face downward.

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How to Stop a Hiccough.

A very good authority gives as a very simple remedy for hiccough a lump of sugar saturated with vinegar. In ten cases, tried as an experiment, it stoped hiccough in nine.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Travels of a Turkey Buzzard.

A year ago Harry, Walter and Benjamin Talbot, together with John Rank, Jr., a first cousin, secured a large turkey buzzard by catching him alive in a steel trap. The boys took him home, and with wire, attached a small sleigh-bell to the bird's log, then gave him his liberty and never heard anything from him until a few weeks ago, when they read an account in the papers of a buzzard with a bell fastened to one leg having been captured in South America, which the Talbot boys have good reason to believe is the identical bird liberated by them one year ago.—Philadelphia Record.

The Folks Soon Reconciled.

DELMAR, Del., August 4.—Tillie E. German, the 14-year-old daughter of M. H. German, of this place, and Lewis Robbins, of Cape Charles City, Va., several years her senior, eloped to Elizabeth City, N. C., where they were married. The couple have taken up a residence at Cape Charles City, where the groom is employed on the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad. The only opposition the bride's parents offer was her extreme youth, and they are now reconciled.

The Editor in the Soup.

Dark and mysterious are the ways of a young woman slicing a watermelon, and subtle is the grace with which she manipulates the seeds. We were not invited on account of our youth, but the old folks had a merry and glorious time. As we sat pensively in the bright moonlight and heard the audible genial smiles of the merrymakers we experienced a feeling akin to envy.—Berwin Times-Herald.

A New Creation.

God never repairs. Christ never patches. The Gospel is not here to mend people. Regeneration is not a scheme of moral tinkering and ethical cobbling. What God does He does new; new heavens, new earth, new body, new heart; "Behold I make all things new." In the Gospel thus we move into a new world and under a new scheme. The creative days are back again. We step out of a *regime* of jails and hospitals and reform shops. We get live effects direct from God. That is the Gospel. The Gospel is a permanent miracle. God at first hand—that is miracle. The Gospel thus does not classify with other schemes of amelioration. They are good, but this is not simply better, but different, distinct, and better because distinct; it works in a new way, and works another work. Compare the wrought chains riveted on the demoniac, and the divine word working a new creation in the demoniac. It is all there. It is like the difference between the impotent Persian lashing the turbulent sea with chains, and the gracious Lord saying to the troubled sea, "Peace, be still!"—*Rev. C. H. Parkhurst.*

The Wrong Kind.

You talk to me about fanaticism. The fanaticism that will make a man drink and swear and gamble and sin against God from Christmas to Christmas, that is the fanaticism that is hurting this country. Talk about enthusiasm like that which makes a man fold his arms and walk to hell. Talk about madnes! There is no madness like that which makes a man pursue the evil until he is lost forever.—*Sam. Jones.*

A golden thread of gospel grace runs through the whole web of the Old Testament.—Henry.

Water power runs the Dover, N. H., electric plant.