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STATE NEWS.

ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE.

Mrs. Page, wife of Mr. A. F. Page of Aberdeen, died almost suddenly at her home Saturday afternoon in the 55th year of her age.

Dr. W. D. Vinson, professor of Mathematics at Davidson College, died last Friday morning.

An English Syndicate has bought a tract of land in Granville county for \$7,000 and has commenced sinking a shaft to mine gold.

Louis Crump 18 years of age, son of Mr. J. M. Crump, while threshing wheat near Lenoir last Friday got his arm caught in the machine and it was severed from his body.

C. S. Young, town Marshal of Blowing Rock, has been arrested for violating the internal revenue laws. One hundred gallons of unstamped whiskey was found in his possession.

A negro tramp murdered a little negro boy near Gastonia last week. The boy was taking dinner to his father when the tramp accosted him, took the dinner away from him, murdered him and threw his body in a pool of water.

All the living Governors of North Carolina—except Governor Brogden—were at the Union depot at one time yesterday morning. Governor Russell was going to Wrightsville, Governor Carr was returning to his home in Edgecombe county and Governor Jarvis was returning from the Western part of the State. —News & Observer of Sunday.

The Roanoke News says that ex-Rev. T. W. Babb preached at the Bradshaw (penitentiary) farm last Sunday morning, and in the afternoon he preached at Capt. Rhem's farm. The public need not be sure that he will not be continued on the payroll, even if the board of directors did drop him officially as chaplain.

The Raleigh News & Observer of Sunday contains this item: "The tax returns in the hands of the State Equalization Board show an increase of about 11 per cent in the number of mules and horses in the cotton belt of this State this year, as compared with the year 1896. In sixteen of the principle cotton counties of the State there are 4,500 more mules and horses than there were a year ago."

Morven, Aug. 21.—The first bale of North Carolina new cotton was sold here this morning to the Hardison Company. It was raised by Steve West on J. L. Pratt's plantations, weighed 464 pounds, classed good middling, and sold for 8 1/2 cents. North Carolina's first bale last year was sold here August 4th, to G. A. Martin, classed good middling, weighed 490 pounds, and brought 7 1/2 cents.—Charlotte Observer.

James Coley, of Statesville, was arrested for drunkenness, over a year ago, and put in the lock-up. He died there. His widow claimed that his death was due to lack of ventilation in his cell, and sued for \$10,000. It is learned from the Landmark that the case was tried in Iredeil Superior Court last week and the town won, the jury awarded no damages at all. —Charlotte Observer.

State Labor Commissioner Hamrick completes the compilation of mill statistics and says there are 206 cotton, 55 woolen, and two silk; total, 223, with 1,030,000 spindles and 23,000 looms. Gaston leads in number of factories, with 22, Alamance having 20, Randolph 18, Mecklenburg 16, Rutherford has the largest mill, with 74,000 spindles and 2,400 looms. Surry county has a third of all the woolen mills. The mill employing the most operatives is the Henrietta, in Rutherford, which has 530 men, 665 women and 345 children.—Raleigh Correspondent in Charlotte Observer.

Heaven And Hell.

VARIOUS THEORIES AS TO THE LOCATION OF PARADISE AND HADES.

Hell and heaven beliefs had their origin about the year 150 B. C., and since that time there have been thousands of attempts to locate these places, the one of future punishment and the other of everlasting happiness. The old medieval idea of hell is the one which gives us to understand that the devil and his imps have their furnaces and their caldrons and other articles of infernal utility constantly working somewhere within the bowels of the earth. On the other hand, we are told and believe that heaven is an abode of light, beauty and joy located far above the earth. One writer believes that heaven will be on a planet which will be prepared for the saints in the last day, and another believes that this earth, burned over and purified by fire, will be the final resting place of those who escape the horrors of perpetual punishment in the hell that has been prepared "for those who love sin." Dr. Whiston, the friend of Sir Isaac Newton and the first of the great race of "speculative astronomers," believes that hell is located on a comet.

But the most curious theory we have ever investigated was that advanced by Dr. Mortimer, author of "The Spirit of God as Fire." One of the several substitutes of this remarkable book was one which gave the reader to understand that the author believed that heaven is located on the inner globe of the sun. This substitute was "The Globe Within the Sun Our Heaven." According to Mortimer's theory, our sun is surrounded by an envelope or photosphere of flames 100,000 miles itself. Taken altogether, this idea of the photosphere is a vast non-luminous void. Farther on is the great globe of the sun itself. Taken all together, this idea of the sun may be aptly compared to a peach or plum. The envelope of flame occupies the place of the skin, the "vast nonluminous void" the place of the meat of the fruit and the central globe (true sun) the place of the seed. On this sun globe, inside the great fiery envelope, Dr. Mortimer believed heaven to be situated. The photosphere or envelope of fire he took to be hell or the place of future punishment for the wicked. The "nonluminous void," according to Mortimer, is the "great gulf between," which is mentioned quite frequently in the Scriptures.—Ex.

THE GOSPEL TENT.

BY DELLA H. NEWSOM.

One beautiful morn, one beautiful morn
When the skies wore a dreary hue,
On golden wings of love 'twas borne:
A gospitient of white and blue.

'Twas Brother Leavitt's gospel tent,
Placed on the grassy sod,
Where prayers and pleadings ever went
Up to the throne of God.

Where tenderest words of God's love fell
From the lips of the speaker there,
And joy the angels came to tell
And to lift our hearts dull care.

And souls were washed in the sparkling stream,
Their garments white as snow;
Embarked on the beautiful sea of life
For the home of the blessed to go.

And like a low wind blown so sweet
From the angels summer land,
Was the strains of music, soft and low,
Made by that happy band.

The angels sprinkled from above
Tears of silver and gold,
And fires of everlasting love
In hearts that had once been cold.

And many slungrads awoke from sleep,
To look where they had been,
And claiming themselves as strangers
Began to flee from sin.

But sadness seemed to fold its wings
O'er every person's heart,
When the grand and glorious meeting closed
And the Christians had to part.

Oh! God, send more of the gospel tents
Onto this land of ours,
And by and by they'll blossom out
And make a land of flowers.

Back From Klondike.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 21.—The steamer George E. Starr arrived at her dock this morning shortly after 11 o'clock from Dyea and Skaguay, and was met by a great crowd of people it having been reported that several men from Klondike, having made their way to salt-water overland, were on board. This proved true, and the interest centered on the appearance of one passenger, Ed. Thorp, who was expected to come down on the Portland, and who was reported to have somewhere in the neighborhood of \$130,000 in Klondike gold in his possession. Thorp and his companions arrived, but it is impossible to get anything definite from them. Willis Thorp, the father of Ed. Thorp, received a letter a few days ago on the Alki from his son, saying that he had \$130,000 in gold. At least that is what Willis Thorp is alleged to have told his friends, but now Thorp and his three companions on the Starr unite in only one point in telling their story and that is that they have \$20,000 between them.

It is the intention of all the party to return to their mines at once, on the steamer George E. Starr, if they can get ready. They came after supplies. Mr. Stewart said that supplies ran short in the spring, and that flour went up to \$70 a sack. At present it is \$12 per hundredweight. Old miners on the Yukon say that the transportation companies promise every year to have plenty of provisions for the next winter, but that the supply invariably runs short.

Size of Geniuses.

Most men of genius have been giants or dwarfs, or at least have been tall or short, according to Havelock Ellis. He does not say, however, that all giants and dwarfs are geniuses. Mr. Ellis has looked up the dimensions of over 300 gifted men, and he finds that 142 were tall, 125 short and seventy-four of middle height, which he places at between five feet four and five feet nine.

Any one can follow out this line of comparison. To take a few familiar names—Washington and Wellington were tall, so were Sherman and Custer. Napoleon, Grant and Sheridan were short. Lincoln was the tallest of our Presidents, except the first. Grant probably was as short as any. General Roberts is so short as to be called Little Bobs. And McClellan was called Little Mac.

Another fruitful subject of inquiry would be the size of heads of noted men. General Miles has one of the largest and finest shaped heads ever known, ranking with the celebrated cranium of Daniel Webster. On the other hand, Emerson had one of the smallest of heads.—New York Press.

Climbine the Rockies.

The terrible Jungfrau of Switzerland is but 14,000 feet high yet travelers from all over the world Journey to Intorlaken to climb it, or to say, that they have sat in the hotel and wished that they might climb it. Mont Blanc, in the same delightful little European republic is forever quilted with snow and for this reason it is one of the most seductive features of travel in the neighborhood of Geneva. The Chor health resort, on the east side of the Swiss republic, is visited by thousands of invalids, because it is one of the loftiest and noblest of European sanitariums.

Then why should not, says the Denver Times, every American who has money to spare and the desire to make a journey get out into Colorado, strap a pair of mountain boots on to his legs, put a spigot on an ash staff and attempt to climb Mount Blanca in the southern part of this State! Mount Blanca is over 14,400 feet high. Or if he does not care to take the risk of this perilous ascent, why should he not come up into the northern part of the State place his field glasses in his hands and gaze on the glacier and the perpetual banks of snow that cover Mount Hallett? Or, if tourists be possessed of reverence or of piety, why may they not locate in Central Colorado, and fix their eyes upon the great white cross that indents the Mount of the Holy Cross at an elevation of 14,176 feet?

If it is the duplicate of Chor that tourists seek, Manitou, in this State, rests at the foot of 14,000 feet Pike's Peak for them and is itself 6,300 feet above the sea, while being endowed with health-giving waters the equal of Carlsbad.

There are 110 mountains in Colorado whose peaks are over 12,000 feet above the ocean level. Forty of these are higher than 14,000 feet, and more than half of that number are so remote and so rugged that no one has yet dared to attempt to climb them. They are as unique as those of Switzerland and as fearful as the Alps in the warning they offer to men and women who are so hardy as to defy them by starting up on their ascent. Some of them are massed with snow, others have glacier over their approaches, and others are merely masses of jagged rocks.

Not even Coloradoans have sought as yet to surmount them and the profession of "guide," is still open for whoever may care to enter it. Railroads reach within close enough range to provide hotel facilities but otherwise the mountain climbing of Colorado is awaiting its pioneers. Did the Coloradoans or the people of the State fully realize the intoxication as well as the health giving powers of mountain climbing would be one of the popular recreations of America.

Only one mountain climbing club is known to exist in Colorado. There is room for a dozen more. There should be one in every city. By the evidences such clubs might offer of their thrilling experience and unexampled pastimes, the fame of the Rockies as a place of pleasure and adventure might be widely advertised, and Colorado thus be pushed forward to the place it must eventually occupy as the American substitute for Switzerland.—Scientific American.

GENERAL NEWS.

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

General Weyler has expelled George E. Bryson, correspondent of the New York Journal in Cuba, from the island.

Hon. Ethan A. Hitchcock, of St. Louis, has been appointed by President McKinley, Minister to Russia.

It is stated that the Amoskeag Cotton Mills of Manchester, N. H., will start up on full time on September 6th. These mills employ 15,000 operatives.

Michael Angiolilli, the Spanish anarchist who assassinated Senor Canovas, Premier of Spain, on Sunday August 8th, was garrotted by the Spanish authorities Friday.

Thomas Almond, of Lynchburg, Va., aged 70 years, was bitten by a rattlesnake last Thursday; he died from the bite Saturday.

The Commissioner of Pensions thinks that a Confederate soldier who deserted and joined the Federal army should receive a pension.

Wm. Schrader, the man from Wisconsin who has created a sensation all over the country by claiming to be a divine healer, is now in New York city and great throngs of people crowd around him to get his blessing.

The Marquis of Salisbury has committed the English government to the policy of insisting that the Turkish troops evacuate Thessaly whether the indemnity is paid by Greece or not. The Continental powers are not pleased with this view of Great Britain and believes that she is bent on treachery.

It is rumored that an Italian anarchist in Mexico for the purpose of assassinating President Diaz of the Mexican Republic. It is also said that this anarchist belongs to a band of anarchists whose aim is to assassinate the rulers of all the great nations.

The Prohibitionists of Virginia held their State convention at Lynchburg Saturday, and nominated a ticket for State officers, Rev. L. A. Cutler of Louisa county, receiving the nomination for Governor. The convention declared for honest money, against trusts, monopolies and the liquor traffic.

The executive committee of the National Silver Republican party are: Chairman, Fred. T. Dubois, Idaho; Judge J. J. Harper, Washington Court House, Ohio; Ben. S. Dean, Jamestown, N. Y.; A. M. Stevenson, Denver, Col.; Nathan Cole, Jr., Los Angeles, Cal.; Jas. H. Temer, Chicago, and Charles S. Hartman, Bozeman, Montana.

At Hackensack, New Jersey, the Mosquitoes have alarmed the inhabitants to a great extent. Last week an eighteen-month-old baby died from the bite of one on its cheek. One little fellow three years old was bitten on the leg and it became so swollen that the physicians feared that amputation would be necessary. Others have suffered much from their bites and the children and babies are kept behind wire screens in the homes and not allowed to go out.

Thomas Hussey, an old man 86 years of age from Montgomery, Alabama, was arrested in New York city last week charged with vagrancy. When the police examined his wallet at the station they found it contained cash and bonds to the amount of \$33,000. He was an eccentric old gentleman and when asked by the court if he needed any help to secure the money he had in his possession, replied that he had been able to attend to his own affairs all his life and he could yet. He was a shoemaker in Montgomery and was supposed to be poor.

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"Having been subject, for years, to constipation, without being able to find much relief, I at last tried Ayer's Pills, and testify that I have derived great benefit from their use. For over two years past I have taken one of these pills every night."—G. W. BOWMAN, 36 East Main St., Carlisle, Pa.

CURE FOR CONSTIPATION.

Things We Ought to Know.

That nuts when dry may be restored to freshness by soaking them in milk or in milk and lukewarm water for several hours.

That many lung troubles come from superficial breathing. Deep full breath should be drawn and the lungs fully expanded.

That in either hot or cold weather the windows should be open at night and the house thoroughly ventilated at all times and seasons.

That a damp cellar will cause many kinds of sickness, and great attention should be paid to the proper airing and draining.

That buckets of unslacked lime placed here and there in a cellar will absorb a great amount of moisture, rendering the air of the cellar dry and wholesome.

That an application of cologne water or ammonia to the stings of mosquitoes, bees or hornets will cause immediate relief.

That the stings should always be removed from a wound by forceps or gentle pressure.

That a good knife should never be used for stirring potatoes or other vegetables when frying, as the heat destroys the temper of the steel.

That knives should be gently rubbed with oil before they are put away for any length of time to prevent them from rusting.

That a little borax in baby's bath will prevent the skin from chafing and from breaking out from the heat.

That fifty years ago the tomato was but little used for culinary purposes.

That kettles should be washed as soon as you are through using them and not be allowed to stand until cold.

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Horses Wanted in Alaska.

Cattlemen are buying horses for from \$2 to \$5 east of the Cascade Mountains in Washington and selling them readily for from \$20 to \$40 for Klondike packing purposes. The horses will be used to pack supplies over the mountain passes, and when they can be used no longer for packing purposes they will be driven to Dawson City and sold for dog meat at ten cents per pound.

For Several years horses have been a drug on the market. Thousands of head have been bought at from \$1 to \$2.50 apiece and slaughtered and canned. This meat has sold freely in Japan and Europe, but on the Pacific coast canned horse is not salable. Several cattlemen have already cleared large sums on the sale of horses for the Klondike country. The Indian tribes of the coast ranges have also realized handsomely on the demand for good pack ponies.—Ex.

Dr. J. I. Terry, of Trimble, Tenn., in speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, "It has almost become a necessity in this vicinity." This is the best remedy in the world for colic, cholera morbus, dysentery and diarrhoea, and is recognized as a necessity wherever its great worth and merit become known. No other remedy is so prompt or effectual, or so pleasant to take.

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Darkey's Story of Lee's Surrender.

When Hamlin Garland was gathering material for the life of Grant he spent a day or two in Atlanta, where he met an old Virginia negro who said that he had witnessed Lee's surrender. Garland was interested and questioned him closely. "You say you were present when Lee surrendered?" "Dat I wuz, suh." "Did you see Lee give up his sword?" "No, sir, I didn't. Gen'l Lee give up he sword? Not him! Dey tried to take it fum him, but he made a pass at one er two er dem, en dey lef' off—I tell you!" "And where was Grant all that time?" "Oh, he was right dar, suh. En he tol' 'em, he did: 'Well, boys let he keep he weepion. He can't do much damage, kase he done whipped, anyhow.'—Atlanta Constitution.

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Wheat and Silver

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