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A CRASH.

SHORT'S STEAM SAW MILL AT WASHINGTON, N. C., BLOWN INTO SMITHEREENS.

[Washington Gazette Extra.]

On Friday morning about five o'clock a terrific explosion was heard shaking the town from centre to circumference. It waked everybody, and many thought it was an earthquake. In a few minutes the fire bell rang, and the cry of fire at Short's mill was heard. One of the five large boilers had burst and almost utterly destroyed the plant. One of the domes was blown into the dry kiln heater and burst the piping and one side of the house asunder.

Each of the five boilers was displaced and damaged, the smoke stacks torn into shreds, and the whole side of the mill wrecked. Pieces of heavy pipe were blown a hundred yards, and the man-hole plate was shot to a great height and descended upon the residence of Mr. E. S. Simmons, tearing through the top and the second floor and lodging on the first floor. Many windows were broken. The iron missile fell within four feet of the bed on which Mr. Simmons and wife were sleeping. Many brick bats, pieces of iron and scantling were hurled several hundred yards. The watchman and fireman were standing near the boilers when the explosion took place, but were not killed. And was scalded pretty badly and the others bruised. They were covered with debris, and how they escaped is a miracle. The damage is estimated at \$10,000 with no boiler insurance. Mr. Short is a man of colossal energy. He has three times been burnt out, but phoenix like rose each time out of the ashes and was doing a tremendous business. Anyone else would have disappeared before now; we have no doubt that he will surmount his misfortune as he has done others. He has the sympathy and the best wishes of us all.

THERE IS GREAT EXCITEMENT.

Among Rheumatism Sufferers over the new remedy that is being put up in New York City. It is claimed that has never been a case where it has failed to cure. It is called Dr. Drummond's Lightning Remedy for Rheumatism, and is sold for \$5. per bottle. The remedy is certainly making for itself a world wide reputation as the country is full of Rheumatism. The manufacturers sell it on an absolute guarantee and offer to refund the money in any case where it does not work a perfect cure. Sent by express prepaid on receipt of price. Drummond Medicine Co., 48-50 Maiden Lane, N. Y.

A CAMPAIGN IDYL.

Written for the Wm. Messenger.

Old Weaver started on a trail, He thought to live on toast and quail. He felt, he knew, he swore he'd be The President of Ninety-three.

Old Weaver said to Maryann—"You show the 'Tar Hells' where I stand. You shall have money all you need, If but our plans they do succeed."

But "Maryann" poor Maryann, The Captain of "This Gideon's Band," Horsemen escorted right and left, And "Maryann" now feels bereft.

The "Puny Party" thought to see The "Goat King" Governor of N. C. But when the people all took notes, They said alas! 'too many goats."

Our motto—"Pure Democracy." Good rule and "White Supremacy." We feel the year of Ninety-three Will open with prosperity.

To Grover Cleveland we would say— God save our President this day, May stars and stripes—Red, White and Blue— Wave gracefully over us and you.

—FONTUNA.

NEW YORK.

Mr. Cleveland's estimated plurality over Harrison is 42,799. In 1884, his plurality over Blaine was 1,047. In 1888, Harrison's plurality over Cleveland was 14,373. How Cleveland has grown in popular favor even in his own great State that rejected him at Chicago. No other man in American history was ever elected to the Presidency for a second term after being defeated for re-election. No other man ever got such a majority in his own State after being rejected by the delegates of that State in the nominating convention. He is the great Tribune of the People. They are wiser than the politicians.

They know the man. It is a marvellous victory and grows upon one as he studies the facts and the details.—Mess ngr

DEAD.

Hon. Augustus Summerfield Merrimon, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, died at his residence, in the city of Raleigh, between 4 and 5 o'clock Monday morning, November 14th, 1892, aged 62 years and 2 months. A man, a great and good man was gone. The State mourns. He leaves few equals in our State.

A woman as Attorney General is a novelty Montana has made itself ed culous. If the elected woman is married, she will have to put her unfortunate husband to rocking the cradle and making up the beds while she sits around "with the boys" enjoying her smoke, and, perhaps, sipping that which elevates but does not inebriate. This is indeed a very great and wonderful country.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA.

From the establishment of this Government to the present time, there has been no period of our Commonwealth in which the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has more richly bestowed upon us His blessings, or indicated more clearly His purpose to preserve for us our civil and religious liberties.

To the Author of all Good we owe whatever of peace, prosperity or happiness we have enjoyed during the past year. The people of North Carolina have much for which to be thankful, and, while the earth has not yielded her greatest abundance, our people are yet blessed with a moderate and reasonable return for their labors.

In conformity, therefore, with the recommendation of the President of the United States, I, THOMAS M. HOLT, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do appoint Tuesday the 24th day of November, 1892, as a day of thanksgiving, praise and prayer. And I do earnestly request that the people of our State lay aside all secular business and assemble on that day at their usual places of worship in humble thanksgiving for past blessings, and prayer for a continuance of Divine favor.

In order that our service may be more pleasing and acceptable, let us remember in our prayers and substantial offerings the needs of the widow and orphan, the disabled soldier, the poor and afflicted, and all institutions established throughout the State for their proper care and maintenance.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina, at the City of Raleigh, this 11th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and in the one hundred and seventeenth year of our American Independence.

THOMAS M. HOLT.

By the Governor: S. F. TELFAIR, Private Secretary.

LIKE A GREAT RAILWAY.

With its branches running in every direction, are the arteries and veins which convey the blood to every part of the human system. A cold, sudden change of exposure, may cause poisonous acids to clog the circulation, and then comes rheumatism. Beware! If you value life, remove the obstruction with Dr. Drummond's Lightning Remedy. You can get a large bottle at the drug gists for \$5. or it will be sent to you by prepaid express with a guarantee of cure if you send to Drummond Medicine Co., 48-50 Maiden Lane, New York.

SHE WAS A CHURCH MEMBER.

"What's that you're get in your apron?" asked a lady of her colored cook, who was in the act of going home.

"Who, me?"

"Yes, you."

"What's I got in dis heab ap'un?"

"Yes, in that there apron."

"Viddis."

"Let me see."

She opened her apron which was nearly large enough for a wagon cover.

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself, for you have taken nearly every thing in the house. I thought you was a church member?"

"Hole on right whar yer is, lady. Dar wuz two pies in the safe, an I tuck one. Dar wuz two loaves o' bread, an' I only tuck one. I tuck half o' de meat an' half o' de udder stuff. Ef I wasn't a church member I'd er tuck it all. Thinks de I've acted fair'er leab her heaf. I's gwint quit working for such eivil folks."

Vanderbilt's palace, near Astor Place, N. C., which will be completed in about ten years, will cost over \$10,000,000. It will surpass in splendor any of the famous castles of the Old World.

G. J. Carter, Chester, S. C. Writes: "A negro boy here had a bad case of scrofula. The doctors said it would kill him. I got him to use Botanic Blood Balm. He took a dozen bottles and is now well. He has not used any of it for four months and continues well."

The New York Sun is the authority for the statement that President Harrison's contribution to the Republican campaign fund was \$40,000—nearly a year's salary. Harrison is an economical man and the loss of that much money will not tend to lighten his grief over his defeat. The same authority announces that Harrison's Cabinet contributed only \$2,000.

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