

SOME FACTS ABOUT SNAKES.

Funniest Serpent in the World—How Snake-Skeletons are Prepared.

"The funniest snake I know anything about is one found in Africa, which lives upon eggs," said the ecologist Lucas to a Star reporter.

"When the snake swallows an egg the latter is passed through the gut until it encounters the sharp tooth which has broken of the shell."

"It seems surprising how many snakes are able to swallow animals bigger than their own diameter, and it is considered how particularly well nature has adapted to the purpose the structure of their jaws."

The lower jawbone, instead of being in a single piece, is merely connected in front by a elastic ligament, so that the two halves are capable of great extension.

THE COTTON PLATFORM.

The Official Figures from Supervisor Porter.

Table with columns for County and Population. Lists counties from Alamance to Yadon with their respective population figures.

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Headquarters the trackway of the narrow gauge bridge across Smith River, to widen the gauge of the Danville & New River road.

It was the steamship Craighead, Galveston to Liverpool, with 5,000 bales of cotton that went ashore at Ocracoke Inlet.

That is an unfortunate comparison; many a sinful old bachelor knows nothing about a "heart," fitted up as you have it.

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