

Mr. S. J. Pemberton, of Stanly, said that he saw and handled this nugget of gold.

Mr. S. J. Pemberton, of Albemarle, was talking yesterday with some friends at the station, on his way to his hotel. They were listening to Mr. Pemberton's story touching a gold nugget weighing seven pounds recently found in the Stanly county mines. "It was a beauty and no mistake. I had it in my own hands," said Mr. Pemberton, "but this is nothing new in our country; for gold nuggets are our most plentiful currency, and our hills are full of them. This was, however, one of the largest nuggets ever found in the section. It is pure gold and was worth \$1,500."

Mr. Pemberton stated also that a considerable gold was being found every day on this and other North Carolina gold properties in Stanly, Rowan, and Caswell counties. The nugget was found in the Ingram mine near Albemarle. In this connection it is worth knowing that the largest nugget ever found was in Australia weighing 63 pounds and that in North Carolina a nugget was once found weighing 27 pounds. Mr. Pemberton is a Stanly man and knows what he is talking about. He is Special Gauger of the Western district and will be in the city today and possibly tomorrow.—Raleigh Observer.

Our Enterprise correspondent tells us this week of a negro, Daniel Miller, being appointed a new magistrate in Acedia township. Our correspondent says that he is now guilty of larceny and is not allowed to vote! This action of the fusion Legislature in appointing such a character (and an ignorant colored man, at that), it is an insult to every respectable citizen of Davidson county—white and black. For this and many other misdeeds they will as surely be called to account in 1896 as the run rises and sets. Shame, shame, shame on them!—Lexington Dispatch.

In 1894 North Carolina cultivated 53,113 acres in rye and produced 478,017 bushels; 164,325 acres in hay and grew 238,561 tons; 17,955 acres in potatoes and 1,113,210 bushels; 695,147 acres in wheat and 3,475,735 bushels; 2,459,663 acres in corn and 32,959,484 bushels; 527,893 acres in oats and 5,754,034 bushels. The hay crop is far too small. Make more hay and stop buying from the North. The potato crop is much less than we had supposed. The wheat crop is rather small. Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia exceed it. If more oats were made there would be much less demand for the products of the hay fields in the West. Raise home supplies all round, including home manures.

The Women's Building Opened. Atlanta, Ga., April 11.—This morning at 10 o'clock the ground was broken for the Women's Building of the exposition. Mrs. Joseph Thompson, president of the Woman's Board, lifted the first shovel full of earth and made a short speech appropriate to the occasion. The corner stone will be laid with Masonic ceremonies next Thursday.

A Negro Hanged in Florida. Gainesville, Fla., April 10.—Grant Griffin, colored, was hanged here today at 1 o'clock for the murder of William Tibbs, also colored. Griffin's neck was broken by the fall and he died without a struggle. The condemned man spent last night singing and praying and on the gallows declared that he was ready to die. He was gone to the last. Griffin killed Tibbs over a game of cards. Tibbs won and Griffin demanded that his money be returned. This Tibbs refused to do and Griffin shot him dead.

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THE JOURNEY HALF OVER.

Pedestrian Fred Miller and His Dog Succes Arrived Jacksonville. Jacksonville, Fla., April 10.—Fred Miller, the long-distance pedestrian, who is now walking from New York to this city and return on a wager of \$5,000, arrived at the union station this morning at 10:15 o'clock, thus completing just one-half of his task. He is accompanied by his dog Guess, a large, powerful pointer. Miller started from New York on his journey at 8 o'clock on the morning of the 5th of February, and has been just sixty-seven days accomplishing half his walk. The condition of the wager was that Miller was to walk from New York to Jacksonville and return in seven months from the time of starting. He was to start with nothing, and was to receive nothing but food and clothing while en route. So far Miller has traveled 1,390 miles. His route was from New York to Philadelphia, Philadelphia to Baltimore, Baltimore to Washington, Washington to Atlanta, and from Atlanta via Jessup, to this city. Miller has lost but seven pounds in weight since he started on his long jaunt. The dog is in fine condition, being sleek and fat. Miller expects to remain in the city two days, and then start on his return trip.

A Runaway. Wednesday evening the team of Lard Beger, a colored drayman, ran away and tore up a wagon and pretty severely hurt one of his horses. He was hauling lumber from the depot, and had backed his wagon close to the flat car, and on the other side a dump cart passed down the track, frightening the horse. They ran across the platform, lost the hind end of the wagon and broke up the front part. The injuries the horse received were cuts about the legs and hoofs.

Small Pox in a Maryland Town. La Plata, Md., April 11.—A small pox epidemic in a small way has developed near Newburg, this county; twenty colored people have been stricken with the malady. Three deaths, two women and one child, have so far resulted.

Missing Links. An Atlantic steamer's screw costs about \$20,000.

Barley is mentioned on some of the earliest of Egyptian monuments. Last year the sheep in this county grew 30,100,000 pounds of wool. Rice was cultivated in India many years before the historical period. The ancients knew how to cheat. Loaded dice have been found in the ruins of Herculaneum.

In civilized countries the average age at which women marry is twenty-three and a half years. Over \$50,000,000 is spent in maintaining the churches of the United States, and \$40,000,000 in running the jails.

The three most common names in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively are Smith, McDonald and Murphy.

The average weight of the egg of ostrich is three pounds. Its contents are of about twenty-four ounces.

The three counties of Knox, Athens and Fairfield, Ohio, return certificates that there are no cigarette dealers in that county.

FRIGHTENED TO DEATH.

Miss Julia Taylor, Alarmed by a Burglar Falls Dead, After Summoning Aid.

Newbern Journal: Miss Julia Taylor, a lady who lived by herself on East Front street in a small house belonging to Mr. J. C. Green, close to her own residence, came to her death suddenly about 12 o'clock Saturday night under the following unusual circumstances:

Mr. Green had just gone into his home and he heard Miss Taylor screaming for help. He answered back and rushed immediately to the front of her residence. Mr. Bate-man Lawrence one of Messrs. Hackburn & Willett's clerks who lives only a door or two away from Miss Taylor on the opposite side from Mr. Green, had just returned home and he also rushed over, he and Mr. Green meeting in front of the house but who ever had been there had gotten away—they found no trace of any one except that the gate was unlatched.

Miss Taylor had given the alarm from a window towards the rear but she now came to the front and at a partially opened window proceeded to tell what had occurred. Hearing some one on her porch she had gone to a window to find out who it was and what was wanted and as she slightly opened the window for the purpose, a man (whether white or colored, she did not state), grasped toward her. Dropping the window she then called for help from a rear as she stated at the beginning. Such was her story as far as told.

Mr. Green advised her to go over to his home and stay the remainder of the night. Before an understanding of whether the invitation would be accepted or not, the window dropped down and the conversation stopped without notice.

The gentlemen thought at first that Miss Taylor was making preparations to come out, and after waiting for some lengthy time, without hearing more, Mr. Green knocked, but could get no answer and at last he looked in at the window and saw Miss Taylor lying on the floor.

On the supposition that she had fainted restoratives were at once obtained and lady neighbors summoned. Dr. R. S. Primrose who lives only a block away was also called in at once, but it was soon found that Miss Taylor was dead.

EDITOR KESTLER CALLED ON A Misrepresentation Raises a Democrat's Ire—He Will Retract.

Mr. F. L. Emery, Superintendent of the Odell Mills, who is a Democrat and who has been nothing else for the past 18 years, called upon E. L. Kestler this (Friday) morning and requested him to retract through his paper the following statement, which appeared in the Vestibule of this week:

"The Dems have put on a life time Republican for commissioner in ward 2. Perhaps he sacrifices his party for the sake of a job. How do the Dems like the fusion ticket?"

The above statement raised the Democratic ire of Mr. Emery, and justifiably, too. When requested, Mr. Kestler said he would retract the statement.

Creek Water and Lemon Juice. Jacksonville, Fla., April 11.—Mrs. F. W. Madera, wife of the San Francisco agent of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, went crazy in the Union station today and screamed that her son, daughter and pet dog with her were being pursued by the Spaniards, who would murder them all. She became so violent that the police took charge of her. On St. Phillips endeavored to get her into the hospital but she was unwilling. She made the chief sit in the road while she prayed, and she accused him with water from a creek nearby, and lemon juice, saying that these were proofs against his enemies.

Relatives are on the way from Chicago to take charge of her. Mrs. Madera formerly lived in Chicago with her husband.

It May do Much for You. Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also his bladder was affected. He tried many so-called kidney cures but without any good result. About a year ago he began the use of Electric Bitters and found relief at once. Electric Bitters is especially adapted to cure of all Kidney and Liver trouble and often gives almost instant relief. One trial will prove our statement. Price only 50c for large bottle at Fetzner's Drug store.

TABLED THE BILL.

Letter From Lee, of Haywood, Who Tabled Hileman's Bill.

Waynesville, N. C., April 4. Editor News and Observer: In regard to the assignment bill which seems, in some way, to have passed the Legislature, I desire to say that Mr. Smith of Stanly, introduced a bill to prevent preferences in assignments, as I understood it; after having had several conversations with him in regard to it when the bill was reported by the Finance Committee, Mr. Smith told me that it was not the original, but a substitute, understood to have been prepared by Hileman, Chairman of the Committee. I was opposed to the Smith bill, and when I learned that it had been amended at the instance of Mr. Hileman, I was more than ever opposed to it, believing that mischief would result to the business interests of the State if radical legislation should be had along this line. And Mr. Smith came to me and said that he would have nothing further to do with it, inasmuch as the substitute had changed the purpose of his bill. Subsequently I called up the bill and moved to lay it on the table, stating at the time it was a dangerous bill. The motion was carried by a large majority, the Democrats voting the affirmative solidly.

I never heard of the bill any more until I noticed in the papers after the Legislature had adjourned that it had become a law.

W. T. LEZ.

The Public Force. The greatest number in the force is the way Superintendent George Barnhardt speaks of the chain gang. The four sent here from Montgomery county runs the number up to 32.

Mr. Barnhardt has fixed his tent that now he thinks it storm proof. Instead of ropes, wires are used.

Wanted a Warrant for Himself. Tuesday morning before daylight Justice Lewis was aroused by a colored man and woman. On being asked their business the man said he wanted a warrant for himself and explained that the woman with him had threatened to get a warrant for him and he came along to get it himself. The woman, Jane Smith, said the man, John Groe, had snatched her children and then eloped her.—Statesville Landmark.

Why They are so. The Kingston Free Press says, in referring to the new magistrates: "The newly appointed magistrates are not magistrates, because they failed to qualify. They failed to qualify because the certified lists were not sent out in time by the secretary of state, who did not send them out in time because the blanks to send them on didn't come to him in time. The blanks didn't come to him in time because the public printer live at Winston—so far from the State capital. The public printer at Winston was elected by the fusion legislature, and is making big money on the public printing paying his printers starvation wages. And this is reform."

An Editor Commits Suicide. Norfolk, Va., April 10.—Mr. Wallace Graham, publisher of the weekly paper, Saturday Night, committed suicide here tonight by taking poison.

He was a native of Canada, and had been in Norfolk about sixty days. He leaves a son in this city and a wife in Chicago. He came to Norfolk for his health. He was financially well off.

The Railroad War. Baltimore, April 11.—President Hoffman, of the Seaboard Air Line, said today that the decision of the inter-State commerce commission, which permits the Southern Railroad company to meet the cut in passenger rates made by the Seaboard to Atlanta without reducing the rate to intermediate points, would not affect the situation materially, except that the decision might give the impression that his line was in the wrong in cutting rates. Commenting on the decision President Hoffman said:

"I no longer see any use for the inter-State commerce commission. That body has virtually given the Southern Railroad company a weapon which to fight us and has repudiated about the only important clause of the act under which it was created—the long and short haul clause of the law has been upheld by all the courts, and I am surprised that the inter-State com moco commission should be the first to nullify it. I cannot say at present what we will do next, but we are able and ready at all times to protect our rights and property."

TOWN AND COUNTY.

There is a case of mumps reported. There is an unusual amount of meal on the market.

The soda fountains are being cleaned up. In a few days they will be ready for customers.

Mr. Martin Harley, who is aged about 77 years, caught a carp out of the Post mill pond that weighed nearly ten pounds.

Passenger traffic over the Southern is heavy between Richmond and Charlotte. Every train is crowded.

In another space you will see an advertisement by Mr. George L. Patterson, who is bicycle agent for the Hartford and other wheels.

Mr. M. H. Caldwell, once a lawyer here, it is reported, will again locate in Concord for the practice of his profession.

Small boys have begun already to rob the poor little birds nests. This is a practice that should be stopped, especially in the city limits.

The negro, who killed Officer Owen of Rowan, and who is in the Davidson county jail, is playing off coony. That's the way it goes.

An uncommon sight was witnessed on the street. It was a team run by neither man nor horse—a woman driving an ox.

Mr. Vic Stillier has associated himself in the harness business with the Messrs. Lippard, and has opened out a first-class shop over the store of Lippard & Barrier.

A small colored boy was riding a mule through the streets, going to mill. Instead of a saddle he was on a bag of corn. (The corn bag slipped off and down came the coop.

Senator Palmer, of Illinois, says the Supreme Court was right in exempting municipal bonds from the income tax, but wrong in exempting rents on realty.

If there is not already there should be a law to prohibit teams from standing on the streets un hitched or unattended as was seen on the streets today. It's somewhat dangerous.

Mrs. Dr. Stephens, whose purse was stolen, had left it lying upon the first stool upon entering on Morrison's, Lentz & Co's, side of the store room and not in Miss Alexander's, as we stated.

Mrs. M. E. Cartland, president of the State W. C. T. U., was in Statesville Thursday and made two lectures in the Methodist church in that place. Quite a crowd attended the meetings.

"I do not think that the Income Tax law, as constructed and left by the Supreme court, will stand as the law of the land; it is too technical."—Richard Olney, Attorney General of the United States.

The Standard feels compelled to thank its splendid friend, Esq. Anthony G. Post, of No. 5, for a pound of butter, regular genuine Jersey butter. The fact of the matter, we have had a teasing hint of this gift for twelve months or more. All is now forgiven.

Double decked, portable chicken display show cases have struck Concord. Mr. Charlie Sappenfield made one for his brother and Mr. D. P. Dayvault. They meet the demands of science and humanity, these cases do.

The North Carolina Lutheran Synod will meet at Tottenham on Thursday before the first Sunday in May. Revs. Scherer, Shealey, Shurey, Fisher, Marks, Brown, Fisher, Suckley, Wertz, pastors of churches of this Synod in Cabarrus will attend.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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POLICEMEN FOR LIFE. How the Legislature Messed Up the Durham Town Charter.

Durham, April 11.—Our people have been congratulating themselves upon the fact that the late Legislature did not upset our town by more than one undesirable change in its charter. They thought that the election of the chief of police by popular vote was unwise and that was all in the new amendments to the charter against which any objection was raised. Now it seems that the amendments have gotten so mixed that as the enrolled and ratified bill stands it is contradictory and will probably cause us some trouble. In section 1 it is provided that the chief of police be elected by popular vote and that his term of office be two years. Section 7, however, declares that the chief of police and all other policemen shall be elected by the board of aldermen elected in May and shall have a life tenure office.

A Mountain Tragedy. Atlanta, Ga., April 11.—A special from Murphy, N. C., to the Constitution, says that in a fight in the lower end of Cherokee county, two brothers named Cross were killed. Neal Newman was dangerously wounded. A dance was in progress at the Cross home. Neal and Mac Newman were among the guests. Jake Cross, the head of the family, ordered the Newmans out of the house. They went out and were followed by Jim and Will Cross, brothers. Jake Cross also went out and attacked Neal Newman, who stabbed Jim Cross fatally. Mac Newman shot and killed Will Cross. Neal Newman was shot in the back, but was able to escape with his brother across the Tennessee line.

They Wanted to Lynch Him. Romney, W. Va., April 9.—Daniel McConkie, whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by Gov. McConkie last week, narrowly escaped death at the hands of a mob of indignant citizens last night. It was found yesterday evening that an organized band was going to lynch him. The matter was brought before the sheriff, who immediately took steps in the matter. As Sheriff Pugh and Judge Daly were not in town a team was hitched up and the prisoner rescued from the jail and hurried to an out-of-the-way place, whence Sheriff J. W. Helling took him aboard the early train at a neighboring station and started for the penitentiary.

Getting close to the North. The Masonic Fraternity so Decides Concerning Cremation. Philadelphia, Pa., April 10.—Cremation services have been officially declared by Masonic authority not to be Christian burial.

The question that has brought about this decision arose over the making of arrangements of the funeral of the late Charles H. Reiser, the well known restaurateur. It had always been Mr. Reiser's wish to be cremated, and after his death his family decided to follow his wishes.

Mr. Reiser was also a Mason and a member of Rising Star Lodge Oriental Chapter, and of the Kanawha Commandery. These organizations were invited to take part in the funeral, but before accepting it was learned that the was the intention to have the services at the time the body was cremated.

The question was at once raised whether, under Masonic law, this would be a Christian burial. The matter was referred to the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, who is Judge Arnold, and he promptly rendered a decision that services at a cremation were not a Christian burial under Masonic law. The family, therefore, decided to abandon their original intention.

The funeral to take place today and Masonic organization attended in a body and performed Masonic rites. The body was then placed in a vault for time.

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A FREAK.

A Colt With Two Heads, Four Eyes and Eight Legs. But it is Dead.

Dr. Bauer, a veterinary surgeon of this place, was at the Stock Farm of L. Banks Holt at Graham yesterday.

He brought back with him the greatest freak ever beheld, being a colt with two distinct and perfect heads joined at the sides, four eyes, two mouths, two backbones and eight legs, but with only two ears and one wind pipe.

The colt was foaled yesterday, but was dead.

Dr. Bauer says two heads are sometimes seen but this is the first instance on record of this kind. He brought the heads and neck home and will preserve them in alcohol.—Greensboro Record.

[Dr. L. M. Archy, of this city, has a similar freak as the one above described, only it is a kitten instead of a colt.]

A Bachelor's Curiosities. A reporter recently had occasion to call upon a certain bachelor of this city and on entering his private apartment we were very forcibly struck at the sight of the many "freaks" that had been collected.

We thought we had run into a junk shop, but upon investigation we learned that all of these curios were of interest most of them being war relics. The first thing shown us was the complete detective outfit captured by some pirate of years ago, handed down for several generations until it fell to his share.

We were shown muskets, horse pistols, swords, stilettoes, shields, bullets of all sizes, the grey and blue uniforms, all mostly with age. Relics of the war were so numerous and made such a vivid impression upon us we could almost hear the tramp of soldiers. Besides walking trunks, bags of cartridges and love tokens of manhood, we were a "brownie"—a one cent piece the remains of the late Jeff passed over, which is prized highly and which is kept very securely treasured away.

He is not a Thaddeus even though he be a bachelor with many war equipments.

Old Enough to Vote. Mr. Noah Carrell, of our town, has a claw hammer with a history. He came in possession of it in 1866 and since that day it has been in constant use. There is not a single crack about it. He got it from a Dr. Scott, who owned the buildings formerly on the site where Uncle Billy Cook's store rooms now stand. He swapped a cat hammer giving a greenback dollar "to boot."

Death is sad; sudden death from accident is both sad and shocking. When the victim, like young Wilder Lee who was killed on the Western N. C. Road, has made the most brilliant and noblest event of his life—taking into himself a wife—it is intensely sad.

Dr. MILES' HEART CURE

For about four years I was troubled with palpitation of the heart, shortness of breath and swelling of the legs and feet. At times I would faint. I was treated by the best physicians in Savannah, Ga., with no relief. I then tried various Springs, without benefit. Finally I tried Dr. Miles' Heart Cure

also his Nerve and Liver Pills. After taking these I felt better. I continued taking them until I was in better health than for many years. Since my recovery I have gained 25 pounds in weight. I hope this statement may be of value to some poor sufferer.

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