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A SNAKE WITH LEGS.

A Stanly Production Proved an Attraction in Mt. Pleasant—Testimony Corroborative—A Snake That May Yet Have a Great Reputation—Dedicated to Col. Olds.

MR. EDITOR: On the 18th of this month I saw a snake in Mt. Pleasant.

I went down with a minister and soon after getting there I saw the snake, hence there is no room for delusion or suspicions of attack in which snakes and such things seem to be a stock in trade.

The snake was dead, having been killed by Mr. Giles, the son of a Methodist minister, on his way from Norwood, Stanly county, to Mt. Pleasant. You know when snakes are seen, they are of the living and business kind. My snake is a dead one—another evidence of no delusion.

The snake in question is possessed of some peculiarities of such a character that science or something else would be cheated did not his snakeship's oddities find way into public print. Really I hesitate to say much about this snake, because of so many doubting Thomases—some people are so foolish as to doubt snake and fish stories. But the character of those who testify to the accuracy of my description will be enough to remove all doubts, did any arise in this case.

Feeling that we all owe to science, history, etc., every effort possible to keep mankind well up-to-date and in touch with changes and new developments; I risk my life in relating about a snake that I saw on the 18th.

Here goes: The snake was dead; I examined him, her or it; the snake was 6 feet 7 inches long; 4 inches in circumference at the largest place; head was as black as a crow's feathers; and the color faded gradually, as you went from head to tail, into dark rusty brown, light brown and to a whitish green; the skin was marked by creases whose outlines, made diamond figures.

About two feet from its tail there were two well developed legs of over one inch in length and the same being one-half inch in diameter. On each leg were feet or toes, on the ends of which were nails resembling cat claws. The claws I did not count, but on each foot there were two claws, or nails, one-quarter of an inch long and they were as sharp as briars and as hard as bone. I repeat, the legs, feet and toe nails were absolutely developed, having no room, whatever, to imagine what nature had in view when about these things; they are realities.

Among those who, I know, saw the same snake, are Mr. W. R. Kindley, Treasurer of the Mt. Pleasant Cotton Mills, Capt. James Cook, Mr. W. H. Colhoun, Mr. Daniel Bangle, ladies of Mont Amœna Seminary and others.

Not seeing Mr. Giles kill the snake, I shall not consume your space in describing the battle between the two for supremacy.

No snakeologist about Mt. Pleasant could locate the snake into its proper family; none like it having ever before been seen in these parts.

Knowing that the above statement is absolutely correct, I risk it to the public.

JAS. P. COOK.

Knowing how slow people are to believe snake stories, and seeing the above described snake, we hereby

testify that the above account is absolutely correct. Signed.

W. S. Hartsell, L. R. Rose, M. D., A. W. Moose, Mayor and J. P., J. H. C. Fisher, Prof. Math. Mont Amœna Seminary, M. L. Buchanan, Sheriff elect.

If the snake can be secured from the party who has it, it will be sent to the Raleigh Museum. In the meantime this is dedicated to my most esteemed and charming friend, Col. Fred Olds, of Raleigh.

J. P. C.

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KILLED INSTANTLY.

Phillip Lambert Shot in the Heart by Carelessly Lifting a Gun From a Cotton Bale From Which Death Resulted.

Phillip Lambert was an ambitious young man twenty-one years of age and his home was with his father, J. Leonard Lambert, a prominent and wealthy farmer of Stanly county living near Mission postoffice; but the young man's aspirations were cut short Saturday afternoon by instant death.

Lambert was fond of a gun and had taken his gun to the gin and repair shop of Lambert & Co's and laid it down upon a bale of cotton lying in the gin yard.

After greeting the men at the gin he returned to the yard and in attempting to lift the gun with the muzzle pointing to his body, the hammers caught in the bagging, and cocked the triggers. A little jerke and the work was done. The hammers fell and the loads of both barrels emptied into the young man's stomach below the ribs on the right side, coursing upward to the heart. Before anyone could reach him, the boy was dead, death having resulted instantly. It was indeed a sad and unfortunate affair, with no one to blame for his untimely death except himself.

His remains were buried at the family burying ground near Mission to-day.

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Mack Leazer Dead.

It will be remembered that several weeks ago Mr. Mack Leazer, a prominent citizen of near Enochville, Rowan county, was accidentally shot on the hand. News was received here Saturday that he was dead, having passed away on Friday. Mr. Leazer's sufferings were intense from the time of the accident, but grew worse and lockjaw set in Friday morning, when he expired in a few hours. Mr. Leazer was well known to our people throughout the county.

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THREE SEIZURES IN STANLY.

Deputy Collector R. S. Harris Brings in Five Mules, One Horse, Three Wagons and Nine Barrels of Whiskey.

Blockading in Stanly must be a paying business, judging from the amount of property that Uncle Sam falls heir to. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 17th, 18th and 19th, a seizure was made each day, all near Albemarle, the entire aggregate being five mules, one horse, three wagons and six sets of harness with nine barrels of whiskey.

Deputy Collector R. S. Harris brought the government's plunder to this city Saturday night and has accordingly advertised it elsewhere in this paper.

The properties seized are supposed to belong to Hamp Blaylock, Bob Krider and Tom Ajmance, all of whom are said to be old stagers at this blockading business, operating principally in Stanly, Union and Cabarrus counties, occasionally verging into the edges of Rowan, Davidson, Montgomery and Mecklenburg counties. The three seizures advertised today and the one made in this county two weeks ago, will bring nearly enough money into the government to defray the expenses of captures.

It is only a pity that the blockaders and "blinds" around this city have no property to seize.

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Co. G. Attention!

All the old members of Company G, Cabarrus Black Boys, are requested to meet at the new armory over Lippards & Barrier's store, Tuesday night, Nov. 24th at 7:30 o'clock to make final disposition of all property and belongings to the old company.

W. S. BINGHAM, Capt.

Needs Attention.

Parties who travel over the public road leading from this city to Mt. Pleasant, say that the road bed at Big Cold Water creek needs attention just now, and if a little work is done on it before bad weather sets in, a great deal of inconvenience and an enormous expense to the county can be avoided. Two men and wagons can fill all the washouts and ruts in one day now, hence it should be worked on at once.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her recovery, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery saved her life. Mr. Thomas Eggers, 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful it is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in coughs and colds. Free trial bottles at Fetzer's Drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

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