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OUR SNAKE.

We print today the whole snake story of which our esteemed neighbor the Charlotte News seems a little shy. The author settles this snake story on the side of truth and we hope it dates an epoch from which snake stories shall no longer produce a smile of incredulity.

The News is particular to disclaim the snake with feet and legs, (we thought he had been in the newspaper field long enough to find there were not a few of them, but not the kind that editors kill or delight in having killed.) But this is the year of strange mixtures, and if this particular snake of which Brother Dowd says Mr. Cook, Col. Cook, or Dr. Cook, told him happens to be a little mixed up with humanity, lizzardanaty or froginity, it is not so much out of the order or disorder of things after all for this year of '96.

When anything unusual is reported in the snake line somebody is sure to give you a scanning of the face to see if it is not all in an inflamed eye or a worse inflamed brain or a carbonized inner lining, but these symptoms are not found in this particular instance, at least not with all the witnesses that are produced in testimony of the genuineness of this particular snake story. We ourselves felt some disappointment at the testimony of two young ladies who saw the snake and spoiled the fake. Young ladies are not bothered with the "tangles" and they always tell the truth if you don't ask of their age or matrimonial aspirations.

Naturalists say there are from 1500 to 1800 species of snakes and "jim-jamers" see about twice the number, we believe. They all fail to describe any species with feet and legs, but with all that number you would not be surprised at seeing some with blue eyes and red hair.

No, this snake story is postively true and it is our snake too.

The feet and legs and claws are unusual if not unprecedented and scores Cabarrus one head mark for his snakeship w ding this way. Bro. Dowd or some one else may intimate that the ancestry of our snake were not altogether dignified and engaged in some crossing of species to throw off the curses placed on Mother Eve's seducer, but it might be as difficult to substantiate this theory as it would to refute the theory that the ancestors of this particular snake caught the evolutionary drift of the age, and that had not Mr. Dennis Giles

cut off his generation, our own posterity might have found a new rival in this line of snakes with not only legs and feet but hands also, nor do we have to strain our imagination to see our snake's great-great-grand-son coiled on an editorial tripod or poised on a stump slinging from his forked tongue the kind of stuff Brother Dowd also has had to contend with in the late campaign.

We repeat this story is reality, substantiated by the most irrefragable testimony and whether born here or not his wise old ancestry doubtless directed him toward Cabarrus for further development.

WHEN ELECTORS MEET.

A very timely question has been asked us by one of the Bryan electors of this State, namely on what day should the electors meet? The doubt, of course, arose from the confusion created by the difference of dates prescribed respectively by the New State Election law and the Act of Congress on the subject.

The day prescribed by the State law, section 67, is the first Wednesday in December. That prescribed by Act of Congress is the second Monday in January.

The Act of Congress is controlling, as is settled in the case of McPherson vs. Brocker, 146 U. S. Reports, page 35. The case is an interesting one and covers exactly the point at issue here, where there is a difference in time between the State law and the United States Statute. In the opinion, while the electors are accounted State officers in the same sense, in fact, as members of the Legislature, yet the jurisdiction is given to Congress as to the time of meeting.

Therefore, we do not see that there is any doubt about the fact that the second Monday in January is the day on which the electors are legally required to meet.—News and Observer.

C. F. MCKESSON BIDS ADIEU.

We note with regret that Mr. C F McKesson retires from the editorial field. If THE STANDARD is one of the exchanges to which the retiring editor referred as an old familiar friend, we can only say that the feeling is reciprocal. The image of Mr. McKesson is associated with the Morganton Herald and its brilliant editorials have the ring of his oratory. In bowing a reluctant adieu to Mr. McKesson, we wish long life to the welcome Herald and "a horse shoe" to brother Cobb.

Loose clothes and downy cushions bring only a negative sort of comfort to the woman who is suffering with some disease or derangement of the organs distinctly feminine. Some clothes and some positions make the pain and the discomfort seem less. Perhaps the nerves are most affected and this in turn disturbs the digestion. Nothing will ever completely relieve but a radical cure. The start of so-called "female complaints" may be a very slight thing indeed. It may be that in the beginning some small hygienic measures would stop the trouble. Certainly at this time, a little bit of the right medicine would stop it. When the trouble becomes worse, it is harder to cure, but still it can be cured. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will positively cure any trouble of this character. It may be absolutely relied upon. It affords lasting relief to a woman whose natural modesty has kept her from consulting a physician.

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The sporting season is here and the birds are having a hard time of it. Much objection is rendered to the destruction of whole covies as is the case when a fine hunting dog scents them. We have been told that the partridge does not destroy chinch bugs. We are informed by reliable authority that they do eat these bugs and are therefore the farmer's friend. It is believed that moderate hunting and shooting into them scatters them to much advantage in that it crosses them in mating and prevents in and in breeding, which is productive of thrift and prolific growth. There would probably be little objection to the sports of the hunter if the interests of the farmer and his friend, the bird, received a due share of consideration.



Fifty Years Ago.
President Polk in the White House chair, while in Lowell was Doctor Ayer; Both were busy for human weal One to govern and one to heal. And, as a president's power of will Sometimes depends on a liver-pill, Mr. Polk took Ayer's Pills I trow For his liver, 50 years ago.

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21 pieces of Velveteen, worth 30 to 40 cents a yard, to go at 25 CENTS.
27 pieces of Silk for Shirt Waists, Trimmings etc., from 25 to 75c a Yard.
Unbleached Sheetting, in lengths of 6 yards and under, at 12 1/2 CENTS PER POUND.

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Ladies white collars 10 cent, cuffs 18 cts. Garter elastic 2 cts per yard up.

Ladies silvered or black bone shirt waist buttons 5 cts per doz. White tape 1 ct per roll.

Ladies black silk watch guards 10 cts. Hooks and I's 2 doz. for 1 cent, improved 1 cent per dozen.

Chair seats 3 to 5 cts each. The best colored spool cotton made at 2 1/2 cents.

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Royal talcum powder at 3 for 25 cents. Shoe blacking 1 cent up.

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Mens caps 10 cents, hats 23 cts up. Three lead pencils for 1 cent.

Combs 3 cents up.

B. J. Boston.