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G. L. PIERCE APPREHENDED.

Attempted Escape and Was Shot—His Statement—His Daughter's Pathetic Grief.

About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Sheriff Buchanan received a telegram from Sheriff Hughes, of Sherman, Texas, asking for the arrest of Geo. L. Pierce, charged with swindling. Sheriff Buchanan immediately swore out a warrant before Esq. Pitts and placed it in the hands of Deputy Sheriff O. A. Cook and Constable Will Johnston, who found Pierce at his home in Forest Hill and arrested him. The prisoner asked to be allowed to go into his house to get his coat. The officers went with him. At an unexpected moment Pierce jerked open the back door and ran most glibly for about 500 yards. He was hotly pursued, and at the distance of about 25 yards a 38 calibre pistol was fired at him (we could not learn by whom) and it was not a bad aim, for Pierce fell sprawling with the ball lying deep in the upper and rear part of the right thigh. He was then conveyed to the jail where Dr. Young probed the wound, and found it not practicable to cut out the ball. The wound is only a flesh wound and is not serious, though the ball will probably be carried by the unfortunate man the rest of his days.

Mr. Pierce made the following statement to THE STANDARD:

In October 1893 I traveled for Hibbard Bros., in Denison, Texas, (10 miles from Sherman) at a salary of \$100 per month under a contract of 6 months, though I wished only a 3 months contract. On the 20th of December I picked up a circular of the firm's in my travels on which I read "On and after December 24th Mr. Pierce will no longer be in our employ. Mr. W. L. Saunders, so well and favorably known to the trade, will succeed to the position." Learning this, said he, I wrote to know if I should come in. They answered no, but I went to the house anyhow, when they informed me that they would rather have Saunders. I reminded them that the contract was for 6 months and that I claimed the wages according to contract. They refused to pay it and I told them that I had \$290 of their money and would not give it up until they made settlement. They threatened to prosecute me for embezzlement. I defied them. Later they presented the case to the grand jury, but I made my statement too, and the jury did not find a true bill against me, but at a later court in the absence of my statement the grand jury did find a bill against me. I gave bond for my appearance at court. I came with my family to Winston, N. C., in '95. In March '96 I should have been at court in Texas, but I did not have the money to go, and so informed my bondsmen, but that I would come if means were sent me. I have been in correspondence with my counsel and my whereabouts has not been a secret. I knew nothing more of the affair until the warrant was served on me when in an unwise and thoughtless moment I attempted to escape by running. It was very foolish of me.

While we were scribbling down his words his daughter, a slender girl about grown, came in and without a word dropped upon his couch and placing her face on his and her

arms about his neck sobbed her filial grief in a most touching vein. After composure she asked him, "Why did you attempt to run?" "I hated to be torn from you or my family," he said.

Mr. Pierce talks freely and intelligently and says there is no need to procure requisition papers, that he is entirely willing to go to Texas and confront the prosecutors without fear of conviction.

The story of Mr. Pierce would be altogether more satisfactory to discriminating minds if he had not left Texas until released from the bond. If innocent of all other charges which we would be glad to believe, he must carry a sense of guilt in leaving his bondsmen at the mercy of the court, and that too while claiming innocence of crime and his ability to substantiate it in the court.

Much sympathy is due to his family of wife and two daughters.

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago says: I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physicians' prescriptions or other preparations.

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A Large Litter.

Mr. A. H. Misenheimer, who lives about two miles from town, has two black rabbits, the female of which gave birth this week to one of the largest litters on record. Ten little rabbits were born at one time. The rabbits are all colors from black to white.—Salisbury World.

Two Killed on the C. F. & Y. V.

On yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon near Pilot Mountain a freight engine on the C. F. & Y. V. railroad from some unknown cause left the rails and was thrown over, instantly killing Conductor Fred W. Foushee, of Mt. Airy, and Fireman Walter Chaffin and severely hurting Engineer Jesse Powers.

Inter-State Commerce Law and the Dispensary.

South Carolina's dispensary law is to be tested in the United States Courts as it seems to interfere with the Interstate commerce law.

One Beckroge, of Georgia, went to Charleston to get married and sent a trunk by express with wines for the occasion. While in the express office two constables took possession and would not deliver the trunk, whereupon the bridegroom sued the two constables, as individuals, for a violation of the Interstate Commerce law. A motion was made for a nolle prosequi on the ground that they were acting under authority of the law of South Carolina. Judge Simonton overruled the motion and the constables will have to stand trial.

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GREAT CONFLAGRATION.

Seven Million Dollar Fire Raging at Knoxville, Tenn.—Hotel Knox Totally Destroyed With Twenty Guests Missing.

A special to THE STANDARD from Charlotte at 3 o'clock this afternoon states that a most disastrous fire is raging in the central part of the city of Knoxville, Tenn. The Hotel Knox was totally consumed and there are twenty guests missing. The Chattanooga fire department is on the scene and all are fighting gallantly but the fire is still sweeping in its path of destruction and defies control. At this hour the estimate of destruction reaches the mark of seven millions of dollars.

To Enlarge the Bleachery.

Superintendent Stone of the bleachery informed a STANDARD reporter today that arrangements were about all made for the enlargement of the bleachery plant at this place. An annex sixty feet square, two stories high will be added and will extend south of the present building. Work will begin on the building just as early as the brick can be made. New and improved machinery is to be placed in the bleachery.

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A Miser's Way.

The Statesville Landmark tells of one Levi Bost, who died at his home four miles from Statesville recently at the age of 92 years. He had a will and named J. S. Norris as executor. When Mr. Norris went to take charge of the effects, Mrs. Bost, the only survivor of his family showed him up stairs where in a nail keg with old plunder thrown over it was a snug little sum. At another place between the ceiling and the weather-boarding a second sum was found. In books about were bills. The total sum was \$2,684.

Doubtless the safety of these aged people lay in the fact that no one but themselves knew of the money or even suspected that there was money about them.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

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The Progressive Farmer says: "Another sound money man has placed his foot in it. This time it is E. G. Lineberry, book-keeper for the Morehead Banking Company, at Durham. Lineberry eloped with something like \$8,000 sound." And then it says that the editors of the Observer and of the Raleigh Tribune, "the two manipulative sound money advocates, are requested to give us some easier object lessons in 'honest money methods.'" With great pleasure. The method we would provide would be an office worth about \$1,500 a year, for each of us, as a means of supplementing the income from our regular vocations. With this \$1,500 and what we can make at our various occupations, we would all enjoy that measure of relief which would lift us above the necessity for doing the Lineberry act.—Charlotte Observer.

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