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YOUNG MAN SHOT.

The Accidental Discharge of a Gun Proves Serious to Mr. Allen Blume of Cannonville—Probably Not Fatal

About 8 30 o'clock this (Friday) morning when within three or four hundred yards of Mr. Jno. Taylor's house beyond the depot, Allen Blume, of Cannonville, fell from a stump seriously if not fatally wounded by the accidental discharge of a gun. The young man was standing upon a stump preparatory to shooting when his foot slipped. The hammer of the gun struck the stump, putting the entire load in his left leg a short distance below the thigh in the front part of the leg.

Mr. Jno. Taylor, who had beforehand started out to the boys, reached the young man soon after the accident. Dr. Young was quickly summoned, and dressed the wound. The wound bled quite considerably but not so profusely as if an artery was severed.

The young man is a son of Mr. J. Blume, of Cannonville, who lives near the Cannon mills, and is only 17 years old.

When he fell he asked them to take him home, but when they reached him he was unconscious. He was taken to Mr. Taylor's house until able to be brought home in the afternoon.

As to whether it will prove fatal, it is not known, this depending very much as to whether the shot entered the bowels.

CORN.

A Concensus of Facts Pertaining to Our Great Cereal as Gathered in the City Graded School.

This stalk of corn which I see is about nine feet long. It has many joints, and from each of these joints grows a long leaf or blade.

When these blades are dried they are used for fodder.

This stalk has eighteen leaves on it. At the top of the stalk is the tassel. The tassel bears the flowers of the plant, which are dark purple in color.

About the middle of the stalk we find the ear of corn. The ear is about eight inches long and is covered with husks, the grains being arranged in rows on the cob. It is interesting to know that the grains are always arranged in even numbers of rows.

Corn is usually planted in the spring of the year. It comes up in from three to seven days after being planted, and is then cultivated with hoes and plows. When ripe it is cut and placed together in shocks. In one shock there are usually from sixty to one hundred hills.

Corn is used for feeding horses and hogs, and making bread.

If we should go up the Mississippi river, for miles and miles we would see nothing but corn.

In the United States more than two billion bushels are raised yearly.

In the seven States along the Mississippi river, Louisiana, Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi, more than one billion bushels of corn are raised yearly. Our State produces about 30,000,000 bushels of corn annually.

If we should put all of the corn raised in these States in wagons, forty bushels of shelled corn in

each wagon, drawn by two horses with their noses right behind the other wagon, guess how far it would reach.

Now suppose that the horses could walk on water just as they do on land.

The corn of these States for one year would reach around the earth six times. And if all of the corn in the United States could be put in wagons it would go around the earth twelve times.

Out of every twenty bushels not more than one is sold to other countries.

To find this corn we must go and look in the barns of the farmers. They feed it to their hogs and cattle.

England and other countries do not like to buy the corn, so we fatten the hogs with it and ship the meat of the hogs away.

More than one hundred thousand hogs are exported from this country yearly.

MYRTLE DAYVAULT,
Seventh Grade.
Miss Laura Leslie, Teacher.

SIX ARE DEAD.

The Great Tank Collapse Unaccountable.

No cause has yet been discovered for the collapsing of the great gas tank in New York city, by which 5,000,000 gallons of water were suddenly poured upon the streets, dashing everything in its way. Six deaths are known to have resulted. It was over so quickly that many escaped who would otherwise have been drowned. It was said to be the largest gas tank in the world. It is surmised that the foundation of the immense masonry gave way causing the collapse.

SOCIALLY.

Some to Be Entertained this Evening at Different Places.

The Christiana Reid Book Club was entertained this afternoon by Mrs. P. B. Fetzer, in honor of her visiting friends, Misses Stirewalt and Wharey.

Miss Bettie Leslie entertains a number of invited friends this evening at tea. Mrs. Jno. Leslie, of Charlotte, is there.

A number of friends are invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brevard Harris this evening to celebrate the anniversary of their marriage of two years ago.

To Take a Course in Theology.

Rev. J. J. Payseur, the former pastor of the Baptist church here, informs us that he will leave North Carolina between Christmas and New Year for Louisville, Ky., where he will spend a session or two in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. His wife will accompany him and they will very probably make their home there for several years at least. This is a seminary where ministers, often-times, after serving in their profession a number of years, take another course.

Attention, Pythians.

Regular meeting of Concord Lodge No. 51 K. of P., tonight at 8 o'clock. Every Knight requested to be present. Work in 2nd rank.

R. L. McCONNELL, C. C.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. J. L. Ludlow, of Winston, is here today.

—Mrs. D. F. Cannon returned home this morning from Salisbury.

—Mr. S. J. Lowe returned home last night.

—Miss Emily Gibson went to Charlotte this morning to spend a while with her friends.

—Mr. Jas. Deaton arrived here this morning from Birmingham, Ala. It will be remembered that Mrs. Deaton has been here over a month. Mr. Deaton and wife will leave next week for their future home in Aniston, Ala.

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KORNLET

and

ITALIAN PASTE

at

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Our food products are pronounced by the most fastidious the finest, the most varied and extensive ever seen on this market.

We are agents for Huyler's, Lowney's and Nunnally's Fine Candies.

'Phone 21.

Dove & Bost.

Passed In Twenty Minutes.

The pension bill passed the lower house of Congress on Thursday, within 20 minutes after being presented. It carries an increase of \$4,000,000 making the appropriation for pensions \$145,233,830.

Damaged Sharply.

It is now said that it will take several months to repair the damage to the keel of the battleship Massachusetts sustained when she ran aground at New York.

Mr. J. Elwood Cox, of High Point, has purchased Messrs. Wheeler Bros. & Co's. shuttle block factory at this place, and will conduct the business in the future. Mr. Herbert E. Cartland is the new manager. Mr. Cox is one of High Point's most enterprising citizens, says the Lexington Dispatch.

Constipation prevents the body from ridding itself of waste matter. De Witt's Little Early Risers will remove the trouble and cure Sick Headache, Bilioussness, Inactive Liver and clear the Complexion. Small, sugar-coated, don't gripe or cause nausea.—J. P. Gibson.

HOLIDAY GIFTS.

A nice umbrella is a very appropriate thing to have. Wouldn't your friend appreciate a gift of a beautiful silk umbrella about the 25th of Dec.

Think about this. You have been troubled somewhat to decide what to give that will be useful as well as ornamental. Nothing would be more appropriate and universally acceptable than an elegant umbrella.

If you think as we do about this drop in and look over the handsomest line of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Fine Silk Umbrellas that we have ever shown.

Just opened them up. Bought especially for Christmas Presents.

Cannon & Fetzer
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WHY - NOT - BE - HAPPY

GET INTO THE SWIM—THE ELECTION IS OVER—THANKSGIVING IS

PAST AND IN A FEW MORE DAYS WE WILL HAVE

CHRISTMAS AGAIN.

PRESENTS! Oh, Yes! You must have presents for Christmas times. We don't know of any better place in the State of North Carolina to buy a useful as well as an ornamental PRESENT than the

FURNITURE HOUSE OF BELL HARRIS & CO.

SEE. Run over the list and see if we are not correct. One

Hundred Bed Room Suits in all the fancy woods. Parlor good, medium and best. Wardrobes, Side Boards, China

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Yours

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