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ARM TORN OFF.

Mr. Chas. Isenhour Badly Hurt at Some Machinery Wednesday Afternoon—A Gash Is Also Cut in His Head—Hopes Entertained for His Recovery.

Mr. Chas. Isenhour, who lives below Concord in No. 11 township, had the misfortune to fall a victim to a bad accident Wednesday afternoon about 4 or 5 o'clock. While working with the machinery at Blackwelder's gin, and trying to work with a belt while the machinery was running, his right arm was caught. Almost the whole arm was torn off with the exception of a small piece of flesh. A gash about three inches long was cut in his head just a short distance from his temple.

Physicians were brought there as quickly as possible and the wound dressed. All of his arm is taken off with the exception of two or three inches. The wound on his head is not thought to be so bad as was at first reported, the skull not being fractured.

Some hopes are entertained for Mr. Isenhour's condition yet.

SHOULD BE CORRECTED.

We Don't Start Factories on Sunday.

We are prepared for all kinds of sensations in newspapers but the following from the New York Daily Dry Goods Record, of the 28th, is one on us:

"Concord, N. C., December 27.—At noon Sunday the machinery of the only cotton mill in the world owned and operated by negroes was started.

"Two years ago W C Coleman, a well-to-do colored citizen of Concord, began to canvass the State in the interest of such a factory. How well he succeeded was shown yesterday when the 7,500 spindles began to turn. The mill was given Coleman's name in compliment, for he secured subscriptions aggregating \$50,000.

"The Coleman Mill is the 235th cotton mill in operation in North Carolina. It will employ 100 persons, half of them adults. The stock is widely scattered.

"The machinery is all new and of the best patterns. The building is of brick and well constructed. Many white persons were anxious to take stock."

It does seem that there was some bad liquor on hand. It may be well enough for the soul that is in great heaviness to take wine and forget its poverty and instead hear the hum of 7,500 spindles where there are simply good naked floors and it is decidedly better for such to see great thrift instead of monstrous snakes but we'd like the author to at least correct one little error in the dispatch, the people about Concord, white or colored, don't start up factories on Sunday. As for the rest, let it pass.

Balloon Ascension.

Gowan Dusenbery, Jr., will send up his large balloon tomorrow (Friday) evening at 5 o'clock, provided the wind is not too high. The ascension will take place from the front yard of his father's residence. All his little friends are invited to see the balloon go up. The name of the balloon is "Admiral Dewey," the hero of Manila.

A HOME WEDDING.

Mr. Louis D. Duval and Miss Lizzie Gray seal Their Love—A Fine Supper Served—A Number of Handsome Presents Given.

Not until a short while ago was it known to but few that Mr. Louis Duval, superintendent of the Cannon mills, and Miss Lizzie Gray, of Charlotte, who stays here with her sister, Mrs. W G Boshamer, were to be married during the holidays.

The affair was of a quiet nature, and only a few invited friends together with near relatives had the opportunity of seeing the beautiful ceremony performed by Rev. Geo. W Duval, of Social Circles, Ga., who is a brother of the groom. A number of relatives from Charlotte, together with some few of their neighbors and friends here, and Congressman Flemming, of Georgia, who acted as best man, were present.

After the taking of the matrimonial vows at 7:30 o'clock in the parlor of Mr. W G Boshamer's residence on Mill street, the doors of the dining hall were thrown open to greet the joyful crowd.

After the elegant repast, the newly married couple boarded the train for Atlanta, Ga., and other Southern cities to spend a week or ten days.

As for both parties they are well known here and have numbers of friends. Miss Gray, during her stay here, has made many acquaintances which have proven to be her dearest friends. As for the groom, he is held in high esteem and admiration by the people of Concord. In the solemnizing of these vows both parties are certainly to be congratulated, and may joy and peace go with them.

ABOLISH RAILROAD COMMISSION

And Establish Commission of Railroads, Banking and Insurance.

Those who claim to be on the inside of things say that the legislature will abolish the Railroad Commission and establish in its place a commission of railroads, banking and insurance.

This, my informant tells me, will, like the present railroad commission, consist of three members. The chairman, however, will be required to live in Raleigh and be continually at the office. For this service he will receive a salary of \$2,500 a year. The other two commissioners, like the present railroad commissioners, may reside where they like, so they attend the regular meetings of the board. For this service they will be paid \$1,800 a year.

It is claimed also that Hon. Thos. J Jarvis is slated for the chairmanship and that the other members of it will be men of experience and recognized ability.

In addition to the duties now devolving upon the railroad commission the commission of railroads, banking and insurance would, as its name indicates, have charge of the banking and insurance business of the State. The control and examination of banks is now in the hands of the State Treasurer, and the insurance business is controlled by the Secretary of State.

To take from the Treasurer the

banking business would relieve him of the appointment of two examiners, and to take from the Secretary of State the insurance business would be cutting that official's salary half in two.

There are those who believe that some such arrangement as the above would be much more satisfactory than the creation of a separate and independent office for the management of the insurance business.—News and Observer.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. Morrison King returned to Davidson college this morning.

—Mr. Chas. Phillips has gone to Cleveland to visit his friend, Mr. Luther Brown.

—Mr. Jno. Fulenwider, of Monroe, is here today on his way to school at Mt. Pleasant.

—Mrs. R K Blair, of Charlotte, is expected here tomorrow to visit her sister, Mrs. Jas. P Cook.

—Mrs. J H Mason went over to Charlotte this morning to visit her friend, Miss E sie Plummer.

—Mr. Will Dayvault returned this morning from a visit to his home.

—Mr. and Mrs. T A Smoot returned to Salisbury last night. Mrs. J E Smoot accompanied them.

—Rev. C B Miller and wife returned home this morning from Rowan county at the home of Mr. Miller's mother.

—Attorney W M Smith and his son, Mr. Theodore Smith, went to Albemarle this morning to transact some legal business.

—Mr. and Mrs. H L Parks left this morning for Albemarle to visit at the home of Mr. Marshall Crowell.

—Mr. D B Coltrane, after wrestling with the grip for some time, went to Norwood this morning.

—Miss Susie Williams, of Charlotte, arrived here this morning to spend several days with her friend, Mrs. M C Dusenbury at the St. Cloud.

—Mr. W W Card, who has been spending several days with Mr. Fred Odell, went to Charlotte this morning. He is on his way back to Trinity.

—Miss Bonnie Oates arrived from Charlotte this morning to visit Miss Nannie Cannon. Miss Cannon expects Miss Adelle Brenizer tonight and Miss Fan McAden tomorrow morning.

—Mr. J A Haley, who spent several weeks here in putting in the sewerage system for Dowd & King, came down this morning from Salisbury. He is consulting with Mr. J W Cannon this afternoon for some sewerage to be done at the mill.

FRENCH PEAS,

KORNLET

and

ITALIAN PASTE

at

Ervin & Morrison

GROCERS.

Cannon and Fetzer Company.

Our goods have been going out with a rush this week. Still we've got plenty things yet that will interest you.

Plenty handsome things for Christmas presents, and the price is always the lowest. Lots of things on both sides. We are too busy to enumerate. Come and we'll show you.

We have been worked so hard this fall that we feel bound to close up on Monday to catch a long breath. We're thankful for the splendid trade we've had, and we'll be open till 11 o'clock Saturday night bright as a new pin, but we ask our friends to come today and Saturday and we'll close Monday for a needed rest.

Yours,

Cannon & Fetzer Company.

WE

Sell the kind of Shoes that wear for School children. Give us a trial.

H L PARKS & CO.

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 Closets, Office Desks, Book Cases, Hall Racks, Rocking Chairs, Dining Chairs and all kinds of children Chairs, Bissels Carpet Sweepers, Cook Stoves, Mattress and Spring Baby Tenders, Boy Wagons, Go Carts, Coasters, Trycicles, Velosopeds, etc.

Our line of Pictures and Frames, Mirrors, Lamps, etc., must be seen to be appreciated. We have bought largely. We have bought at right prices. We have bought to sell if you will favor us with a call we will convince you that we mean just what we say. Come and see us. With best wishes for a merry Christmas we are

Yours

Bell, Harris & Company.