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STOLEN BOY FOUND.

HENRY FREEMAN CAMPED WEST OF TOWN—WAS SURPRISED.

Clarence Withers, Stolen From Orphan's Asylum Eighteen Months Ago is Found and Sent on to His Relatives.

Henry Freeman, a man of a roaming nature, spending most of his time in a wagon, passed through Concord Wednesday evening. He drives a mule and a jenny.

Freeman is not a young man any more, and, if reports be true, his reputation is such that no one could take him for an angel.

Clarence Withers, a 13-year-old boy, disappeared from the Thomasville Orphanage about 18 months ago, leaving behind a little sister. The home of his folks was in this county and the Orphan authorities communicated with Chief Jas. Harris, who since then has been on the lookout.

Wednesday evening a man, suspicious looking and having a boy that met the descriptions, passed through and on west. He hauled up at a cabin on Mr. J P Allison's place west of Concord. Chief Harris communicated with Mr. J E Misenheimer, of Charlotte, with whom the boys mother lived for sometime, and had him to come over this (Thursday) morning on the 5:37 train. They went out to the camp. About that time the gay old duck, who proved to be Henry Freeman, flew out the back door and disappeared in the darkness. During the Chief's interview with the boy and the certain recognition by Mr. Misenheimer, Mrs. Henry Freeman, the beloved wife of frown Henry Freeman, began to "lip" the Chief as only an indignant woman can do. The boy was brought to town, leaving the balance of the outfit. He did not like Chief Harris' looks or his brass buttons or something and hence had not a great deal to say. A Standard reporter talked to the boy, who had become reconciled to the situation. Clarence talked freely and we will let him tell his story. Said "I was on the orphanage grounds and a man came along in his wagon, told me my father and mother were both dead and that my mother wanted him to take me and raise me, etc, etc."

The boy did not know until this morning that his mother was alive—she's living in Chester, S. C. He was dressed in rags and said he had been poorly fed and had travelled over Kentucky and elsewhere.

If rumors be correct Freeman is wanted about Rockwell for the abduction of a mule and other things. It is said, too, he is pre-

pared often to cool off hot-boxes, being an all-round sort of a fellow. But the boy is happy on his way to gentle relatives and a fond mother, while there may be several chapters yet to publish about the doings of gay Henry Freeman, Esq. There's Xmas ahead for him.

Mr. Lippard in Japan.

The Statesville Landmark says: "Rev. C K Lippard, who visited in this section recently, and who was soon afterward married in Chicago and went with his wife to Japan as a missionary, arrived at Saga, Japan, October 30. A letter from friends there, bearing date of November 5, conveys this information."

GONE TO REUNION

Of the 57th Regiment, at Salisbury—Some Incidents.

By phone, telegraph, foot messengers and otherwise, the editor pro tem of the Standard is enabled today to give just a little about the first reunion of the 57th Regiment of North Carolina folks—those that survive the cruelties of war, the flirtations of snares, sickness, bad politics, hard times and all other ills too numerous to mention—not one of whom, living or dead, received a wound in the rear.

Editor Barrier was one of the folks who survived just to attend these meetings, and to take notes and to preserve the brave deeds of his comrades.

Notwithstanding his systematic preparation and great care to details, Editor Barrier, in making the 5:37 a. m. train for Salisbury, forgot his hand bag containing hard tack, pencils, paper and empty vessels for snake bites (the latter easily gotten and more quickly cured in Salisbury). The editor's valet, the best one in town, rushed to the depot to



make an honest effort to put the owner and hand-bag together. As the intelligent reader must know from the beautiful half-tone engraving above, the valet, though swift, lost his hold. But undaunted, he bicycled it to Salisbury.

We are enabled to furnish our readers with some very artistic pictures, which were executed right here in the office from mental pictures transmitted

by wireless telegraphy, via China Grove and Fred Glass; To wit:

THE EDITOR IN SALISBURY.



MORNING APPETIZER AND SELLING PAPERS.

Just at this point of our illustrating process an important blood vessel in our engraving machine snapped, and the story of the editor's outing in Salisbury must be concluded in a future edition. To checkmate any careless remarks, by which suit for damages may result, the editor pro tem must insist that nothing in the appearance of the editor or his valet caused the vital organ of the photographing outfit to collapse.

A New Club for Concord.

Slowly but surely—that's the way the mills of the gods grind—our ladies are organizing. In addition to the many social circles, clubs and societies already doing business in Concord, a new one was organized Wednesday night and has been christened:

中華女子會

As the Standard readers well know, from the character and meaning of the name given to the club, the object of it is to study the causes leading to the Chinese troubles and to decide what is best to be done about it.

About Some Preachers.

The North Carolina Conference has adjourned at Newbern, and among other dispositions of preachers we note those of special interest to Standard readers:

- P. Greening—Aurora circuit.
- A. D. Betts—Bethel.
- A. P. Tyre—Wilson.
- T. A. Smoot—Fayetteville.
- F. B. McCall—Carr church, Durham.
- M. D. Giles—Mt. Tirzah.
- R. F. Taylor—Yanceyville.
- R. F. Bumpus—New Bern.

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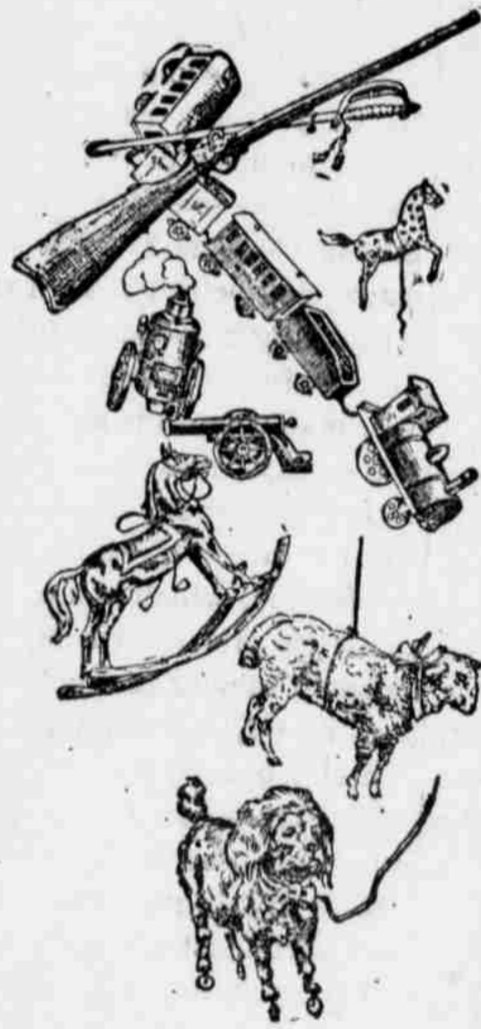
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