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FAMILY REUNION.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Ritchie Bring Together Their Close Blood Relations in a Grand Feast Day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Ritchie had a family reunion on Wednesday the 26th at their home in No. 6. It was a very pleasant occasion and will be long remembered. They had every living descendant, five sons and five daughters, (having lost but one child by death) and fourteen grand children, together with their pastor, Rev. S. D. Steffey and wife, and Rev. Mr. Steffey's father and mother, also Capt. and Mrs. William Propst, Mrs. Propst and Mr. Ritchie being the only surviving members of their parental home, and J. D. Barrier who with Mrs. Ritchie are the only survivors of their mother's family.

A well laden table three times imparted its bounties to the aged, the young and the juveniles, till all had eaten to the fill. Later Mr. Jno. J. Cook took a picture of the group of all the families clustered as well as could be arranged together with the invited guests.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Ritchie received the congratulations on their arrival and Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie at the parting, for it was theirs to look benignly on children and children's children all present and in the enjoyment of usual health. It was especially gratifying to them to call about them all to whom the cords of sanguine relationship bind most closely and feast them at their own board and hear, extend and receive the affectionate greetings.

The closing part of the day's enjoyment was the baptism of the infant children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Ritchie and Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. Cress, followed by an address by Pastor Steffey appropriate to the occasion and ending with a fervent prayer for heaven's continued blessings on the parent couple and their encircling posterity from whose entire ranks death has taken but two.

The Cannon Burst.

Master Fred Bost met with a very painful, though not serious, accident on Christmas day. A number of small boys in the lower part of the city manufactured themselves a cannon out of wood and filled it with powder and Master Fred touched the fuse with a match and before he could get out of the way the cannon burst, filling his face full of powder.

On Wednesday he spent most of the morning with the doctor, who was picking the powder from his face. He is getting along very well.

PULLED BOD FROM BRAIN.

Young Robert Waller's Breech Pin Flies Out From Gun and Lodges in his Skull Above the Eye.

Robert, the 12-year old son of Mr. Thomas Waller, met with a very serious accident Monday afternoon while hunting larks, and incidentally proved himself a lad of rare nerve and presence of mind.

While shooting his gun the breech pin flew out, striking the lad just above the right eye. The wound made in the skull was two inches long and a half inch wide. The boy pluckily pulled the breech pin out of his brain himself. Professional assistance was secured and when last heard from the patient was doing well. —Salisbury Truth Index.

Act of a Mischief.

We learn that between Saturday evening and Sunday evening some one succeeded in getting the keys to all the doors to Mr. L. D. Coltrane's new house on South Union street and took them away.

Being all mortice locks it necessitated the tedious task of opening every outside door with skeleton key. Fortunately the inside doors were not locked.

It put Contractor Propst to decided inconvenience and the cost of new locks and is a striking example of wanton or malicious mischief and deserves punishment that will carry a lesson with it when the miscreants are found out.

Not Hurt by Eating Poison.

We are glad to learn that the little daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Smoot experienced no serious results from eating poison in Salisbury. Drs. Long and Brown arrived promptly and washed out the stomach so thoroughly that the system could not absorb the poison and the child was saved.

Tries for Fortune in Texas.

Mr. Jho. P. Cox, son of Mr. A. M. Cox, of No. 9 township, left today (Thursday) for Dallas, Texas, to try his fortune in the great south west. He is educated and financially equipped to look out for whatever avenues may open to him.

Getting Over Blood Poison.

After a siege of five weeks by blood poison Mrs. J. H. Mason has so far recovered as to be able to come down stairs to her meals. The right hand which suffered the last severe attack is yet too much affected to use the pen. She worries down her letters to her husband with the "neglected twin."

TURKISH BARBARITY.

Greek Worshippers Attacked and Go Down With Their Burning Church.

A Vienna dispatch of the 26th tells of a most savage act by the Turks at Bania, South West Turkey, near the Adriatic sea in which worshipping Greeks were attacked and the church burned. While the helpless victims tried to escape the flames they were stoned and stabbed. Twenty are said to have burned with the building while many were wounded.

Charlotte Has Toughs.

At an early hour Tuesday morning, Mr. David Holobaugh was found wandering about in Seversville, a suburb of Charlotte. His face was badly battered and he was in a dazed condition, unable to give an account of himself. He was brought to his home in the city. Later Mr. Holobaugh revived and gave an account of his experience, to the best of his recollection. After getting his wages Monday night—\$4 in paper and a silver dollar—he started home. On North Poplar street, he was accosted by an unknown man, who knocked him down, beat him into insensibility, and got his money. It seems that after the encounter Mr. Holobaugh wandered off in an effort to reach his home and was found in Seversville. There is no clew to his assailant.

At 4 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. John McFadyen was found hatless with his sleeves rolled up and his face bloody, by Sergeant Baker, in Ward 4. Mr. McFadyen said that he had been waylaid by three men; that they gave him a stiff fight, but that he finally whipped all three and saved his money. He bore severe marks of the battle. The men who assaulted him were not captured. —Observer of 27.

The Gambling Instinct in the Indian.

A Pomona, California, letter to the Chicago Record gives an insight to the gambling instincts of the Indians of that region. The recklessness of the red skins is truly astounding and stands as a hindrance to missionary work among them. Think of a missionary educating them and inducing them to accumulate the various articles for domestic comfort and advancement in civilization when lo, they pack up every vestige of their belongings and go out on a camp gambling expedition till they lose all they have or win all that some other tribe has. The gambling goes on as long as there is anything to win or lose. Gambling is said to be the last instinct, characteristic that cannot be overcome in these Indians and it binds them down to perpetual degradation.

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