# Daily Concord Situidaro. 

ONCORD, N. C. THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1902,

## FOCR dROWNED fiN a Sloop.

A pleasure Party Caught Like Rats in a'Trap-The Captain's Hereof Action. Savannah, Ga., July 23. -The sloop Lovell, Dell, owned and sailed by Capt. Allen N Calder of Thunderbolt. and having on board a pleasure party, was capsized in the Ogeechee river, near Hell Gate during a squall yesterday afternoon and Captain Calder's aged mother and infant daughter were drowned. Captain Calder's father and wife were seriously injured and his father may die.
On the sloop were Dr. and Mrs. Stephen A Calder, of Sunbury; Capt. and Mrs. Allen N Calder, of this city, their five children-Vernon, 12 years old, Frank, 9 years old; Lawrence, 7 years old; Delacy, 5 years old, and Olga, 18 months old, who was drowned, and Mrs. Sandiford, who is 60 years old. All except. Captain Calder and his son Vernon were in the cabin at
dinner. Vernon was holding the jib sheet. When the storm struck the craft Captain Calder ordered his son to slacken the sheet, The boy was frightened and became excited. Instead of doing as ordered he pulled tight on the jib halyards, and the helm. Without warning the craft was capsized and those in the cabin were instantly submerged in water. They were penned in like rats in a trap, as the entrance to the cabin was under water: With desperate
courage Captain Calder dived into the cabin and succeeded in dragging out all except the baby, Olga, whom he could not find. Mrs. Calder, the captain's mother, died soon after being brought out.
Later.-Stepheh A Calder and Mrs. Allen N Calder died tonight of congestion of the lungs, brought about by taking in water while in the cabin of the capsized sloop.

## sCandal in greensburo.

Mrs. Ida Stafford a Wife and Mother Elopes with J E Harding, Her Boarder.
Greensboro has a scandal in which pretty Mrs. IVa Stafford of 35 or 40 years forsakes her husband and four children and elopes with one Mr. J E Harding a book -keeper at the Revolution -Cotton Mills. Harding was unmarried and boarded at My. Hardings. No vendue intimacy was uncovered and it is believed that a sudden infatuation seized them.
They tog es none of Mr Harding's belongings and the woman left her jewelry except the engagement mg which see sen back by mail to her husband.
They are believed to have gone West.
 upon the question of his life or death, John B-McGhee, charged with murder, stopped his trial by taking his life this morning. Tragedy, human interest and cowardice figure largely in the most ${ }^{\text {d }}$ sensational story that Rome has known in years. Wild excitement prevailed in the courthouse when the announcepent was made that the jury in the case would be forthwith dismissed as the defendant had committed suicide. Last night McGee was locked in his cell securely. Prisoner Hill, who was his cell mate, was awakened this morning at 3 o'clock by groans, followed by gurgling, choking sounds. Hill saw by the dim light from the corridor that McGee was lying on the floor. The light was not suficlient to betray the wound, gaping from ear to ear, or the blood that had dyed the floor of the prison. Hill left his bunk and went to the prostrate man, think ing that McGhee was ill.
With horror Hill sprang from the scene before him. McGee was dead, but the blood still trickled from the gash that had severed the jugular vein. An that McGhee had killed himself by cutting his head almost from his body. The weapon which the desperate man used was a piece of shoe spring which the prisoner had torn from the sole of his shoe. Though the iron was blunt, it had fearfully exccute its mission. The flesh was torn and ragged but the wound was long and deep and the man doubtless used herculean strength in dealing the blow. Rome, Ga.. Special, 22d, to At Tanta Journal.
Three Brothers, Survivors pr the Battle of the willemess.
Mr. J C Sykes, of St. John's, Cabarrus county, is here to visit his brother, Policeman Sykes. The Sykes are warriors. Police man Sykes. J C Sykes and a younger brother, John Sykes, who lives in Mecklenburg, were all in the same company in the battle of the Wilderness in 1864. Policeman Sykes and J C Sykes were wounded, each receiving one bullet. John Sykes, who wastolor bearer, was shot five times. These three şurvity $\boldsymbol{q}^{\prime}$ rs of he battlồ the Wiidergess are an g the best men Cab las and Mecklenburg.-Gharlotte Observer.
Mr. Lee T Blair, of Greens bore, has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Greensboro graded school caused by the resignation of Mr. Walter Thompson, who comes here.
woman stabbed -T0 death. Mysterious Murficr in a Pittsloig Drinking Room.
Pittsburgh, July 23 -One of the.mbst mysterious murders in the city's'history was committed tonight in a drinking room in he rear of the Traction Hotel The victim is Agnes King, of 139 Crawford street. The mar direr, who escaped, is unknown. The story is that the woman and man had been drinking together since Monday at the different saloons in the neighborhood and the carousal ended in a quarrel this afternoon, which was re sumed tonight when the couple met on High street. 'The woman went into the hotel bar and took seat in the rear room. The man followed her and asked her if she would keep up the bluff. This question was repeated three times and each time answered in the negative. Quick as aflash the man pulled a dirk and made a lunge at the woman, cutting her under the ear. A second slash severed the jugular vein. Then the murderer stepped out a side door and escaped. midnight he was still -at large. The victim died while in the patrol wagon on the way to the hospital. The only witness of the murder was a woman who happened to be in the room when the couple entered. She says the whole affair was enacted so quickly she can give no descrip. timon of the murderer.
Failed to Employ a Dector-A re Found Guilty of Criminal Negligence.
Spokane, Wash,, July 23.-The coroner's jury that investigated the death of small children of Mr. and Mrs. Goo. Graham, of this city, reported that death was caused by diphtheria and the parents are "guilty of criminal negligence for failfng to em-
ploy, or accept skilled medical assistance." The jury reconmended that a State law cover ing such cases and exacting a penalty be enacted.
Mr . and Mrs. Graham are members of a society known as the "Church of God" and do not believe in medicine, though surgery is permitted. When their children became sick they were anointed by an older of the Church. Later doctor was called and was allowed to lance the children's throats but not to
give themamedicine. Three died and one recovered, Whether the parents will be prosecuted lias pot been determined.
Died in çlarigtte.
Th fourteen months old child of Mr , and Mrs. George M Cress died at their home in Charlotte this morning after a lingering The little body will be brought to Concord on this evening's train and laid to rest in St. Johns cemetery to-morrow.


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