

Advertising Brings Success.  
The Gold Leaf stands at the head of  
the advertising columns.  
SENSIBLE BUSINESS MEN  
Do not continue to spend  
money where no  
return is seen.  
That is Proof that it Pays Them.

# GOLD LEAF.

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BRIGHT TOBACCO DISTRICT  
The most wide-awake and  
successful business men  
use its columns with the highest  
Satisfaction and Profit to Themselves.

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"CAROLINA, CAROLINA, HEAVEN'S BLESSINGS ATTEND HER."

[SUBSCRIPTION \$1.60 Cash.]

NO. 40.



**Before Retiring....**  
Ayer's Pills, and you will  
feel better and wake in better  
condition for the day's work.  
Ayer's Cathartic Pills have no  
equal as a pleasant and effect-  
ual remedy for constipation,  
biliousness, sick headache, and  
all liver troubles. They are  
so perfectly prepared, that they cure with-  
out the annoyances experienced  
in the use of so many of the  
pills on the market. Ask your  
druggist for Ayer's Cathartic  
Pills. When other pills won't  
help you, Ayer's is

THE PILL THAT WILL.

**RAMON'S  
LIVER PILLS  
AND TONIC PELLETS**  
One of the forms of disease caused by  
a sluggish liver and biliousness.  
The pills cleanse  
the blood, invigorate  
the system, and give  
a new lease of life.  
The pills are made of  
purely natural and  
vegetable ingredients,  
and are entirely  
free from any  
poisonous or  
injurious  
elements.  
They are  
sold in  
bottles of  
twenty  
and fifty  
each.  
Price  
per bottle  
one dollar.  
Sent  
by mail  
on receipt  
of the  
proper  
amount.  
Address,  
J. H. MASON,  
HENDERSON, N. C.

**FRANCIS A. MACON,**  
Surgeon Dentist,  
HENDERSON, NORTH CAROLINA  
All work in operative and mechanical  
dentistry. No charge for examination.  
Office, Dr. Fowler's old store, over  
Coper & Mitchell's store.

**J. H. BRIDGERS,**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
HENDERSON, N. C.  
Office in Harris' law building next  
to post office. dec21-61

**DR. E. S. HARRIS,**  
DENTIST,  
HENDERSON, N. C.  
Office over R. G. Davis' store, Main  
Street. Jan. 1st.

**Liberal Trial Quantity.**  
**Electro-Silicon**  
For Rheumatism, Neuralgia,  
Sciatica, Headache, etc.  
It is the only medicine  
that will cure all these  
affections. It is sold in  
bottles of ten, twenty,  
and fifty cents.  
Sent by mail on receipt  
of the proper amount.  
Address,  
J. H. MASON,  
HENDERSON, N. C.

**Parker's Hair Balm**  
It is the only hair  
preparation that will  
keep the hair from  
falling out. It is  
sold in bottles of  
twenty and fifty cents.  
Sent by mail on receipt  
of the proper amount.  
Address,  
J. H. MASON,  
HENDERSON, N. C.

**The Edison**  
An Electro-cure  
Agents Wanted Both Sex.  
Agents sent to reliable persons to  
sell the Edison. Agents sell from  
one to five dollars. It generates from 1 to 8  
amperes, and has two powerful  
electrodes. The battery that will turn the  
current into a steady stream through a two inch  
cure. Cures Rheumatism, Weak Back,  
Sciatic Disease, Female Troubles, Loss  
of Sight, and all Diseases arising from  
deficiency of nerve force. FOR ADVERTISING  
PURPOSES, we will give one FREE of any  
cost to any person in each locality.  
Address, TAYLOR & SMITH E. A. Co.,  
Department B. A. Vineland, New Jersey.

**AWFUL DEATH VALLEY.**

THE GHASTLY RELICS OF AN EMIGRANT  
TRAIN.  
Bleaching Bones of Women and Children  
Tell the Tale of Suffering and  
Death—Starving for Water Under a  
Blistering Sun Their Anguish of  
Mind and Torture of Body Awful.  
(San Francisco Chronicle.)  
An old gunstock, white as a bone,  
light as a feather, and full of waving  
lines made where the wood gapped in  
the excruciating heat of the desert  
sink we know as Death Valley, is one  
of the latest additions to the Park  
Museum. The stock was picked up  
by J. W. Drollard, where a train of  
emigrants perished forty-seven years  
ago, and was presented to the museum  
by Jefferson G. James, of this city.  
The carved old stock, white as a skele-  
ton, tells a good story. It was found  
where a large emigrant party perished  
in 1850, and where for many years  
the tracks of the wagon wheels and  
the marks of the fires could still be  
seen so deathly is nature's stillness in  
this remarkable region.

It was from the fate of this very  
party to which the old gunstock be-  
longed that the region was named.  
They had the honor of christening the  
place, but like many pioneers, they  
paid dearly for the privilege. It was  
a party of thirty gold-seekers, with  
their wives and children, who came  
into the valley from the East, all un-  
mindful of the deadly grasp of the  
country into which they had so blithely  
ventured. After a one-day camp  
they were so overcome by the heat  
and still more terrible aridity that  
more than half their number perished.  
A few escaped over the Panamint  
Mountains to the west and the others  
returned the way they came. It was  
a pitiful experience.  
Ten years later a party of pros-  
pectors came across the camp, with  
their wagons, chaises, camp equip-  
ments, guns and children's toys, to  
say nothing of the melancholy skele-  
tons of men, women and children and  
their faithful horses. Even the tracks  
made in the sand by the little ones  
could still be traced. Of all the  
stories told of California pioneers  
none is so full of human interest as  
this, and yet it is told only by tradi-  
tion, though survivors of the party still  
remain.  
Then there was the "gunstick lead."  
One of the survivors of the other party  
carried a piece of rock, probably  
"black metal," from a spring he found  
in the Panamint, to the settlements.  
A gunsmith when asked to make a  
gunstick of it, found it to be silver.  
Why should the story be considered  
incredible? The lead has been cov-  
ered by the debris of a cloudburst.  
It may never be found, but there seems  
no good reason to doubt its existence.  
There are hundreds of unknown  
graves in the region. Some are marked  
by lonely crosses, others not at all.  
How many men have wandered from  
the trail and have never been found  
no one knows. At the lower end of  
the valley travelers used to pass six  
skeletons in one day, and near some  
of them were deep holes dug beneath  
the greasewood bushes, where men  
gone mad with thirst had dug their  
fingers to the bone in the search for  
water. It is a terrible region, that  
country below the sea, where only the  
dust storms come, and where it never  
rains. Men's bodies dry there as fruit  
dries under the process of evaporation,  
and we betide the prospector who  
loses his way or does not know the  
location of the nearest water hole.  
In such a place the bleached and  
cracked gunstock has been lying these  
many years, the wood starting and  
gapping for the rain that never came.

**DEATH'S FINAL CONQUEST.**

BY JAMES SHIRLEY.  
The glories of birth and state,  
Are shadows, not substantial things:  
There is no armor against fate:  
Death lays his icy hand on kings,  
Sceptre and crown  
Must tumble down,  
And in the dust be equal made,  
With the poor crooked shroud and shroud.  
Some men with swords may reap the field,  
And plant with laurels where they kill;  
But their strong nerves at last must yield,  
They tame but one another still:  
Early or late,  
They stoop to fate,  
And must give up their murmuring  
breath,  
When they pale captives creep to  
death.

**THE PILL THAT WILL.**

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**A Valuable Prescription.**

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind.,  
writes: "You have a valuable pre-  
scription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheer-  
fully recommend it for Constipation and  
Sick Headache, and as a general system  
tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle,  
2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all  
right down, could not eat nor digest food,  
and had backache which never left her and  
felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Elec-  
tric Bitters restored her health and renewed  
her vitality. Price 50 cents and \$1.00.  
Send a Bottle to M. Dorsey's Drug Store.

**The Christian should cultivate**

the habit of trusting God moment by mo-  
ment until it becomes as natural as  
breathing.  
It is hard to find a man who does not  
put the blame of his misfortune  
upon his wife.  
Many have led sober lives because  
they were shocked by the vicious ex-  
ample of a drunkard.  
The season is approaching when  
the trees begin to display their bare  
limbs and the corn gets shocked.  
Some people show that they are not  
on the way to Heaven by what they  
tell others they must do to get there.  
It saves the Croupy Children.  
SEASIDE, Va.—We have a splendid  
sale on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and  
our customers coming from far and near  
speak of it in the highest terms. Many  
have said that their children would have  
died of croup if Chamberlain's Cough  
Remedy had not been given.—Kellam &  
Quinn. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale  
by M. Dorsey.

**The average walking pace**

of a healthy man or woman is said to be  
seventy-five steps a minute.

**BILTMORE HOUSE.**

GEORGE VANDERBILT'S MAGNIFICENT  
ESTATE.  
A Vast Dominion of Forests and Farm  
Lands—Twelve Miles of Macadam-  
ized Road—Practical Object Lessons  
Taught—Asheville and the Southern  
Railway.  
(Atlanta Journal.)

It is said that Biltmore house is the  
finest private residence in the world.  
Geo. W. Vanderbilt has lavished his  
wealth on this place and its adjacent  
park. The park is more than twice  
the size of Atlanta, containing about  
13,000 acres, and the hunting pre-  
serve, reaching to Mt. Pisgah, contains  
125,000 acres, or 195 square miles.  
The park is all that landscape gar-  
deners can make it. The site is ideal,  
rolling and broken, and made pic-  
turesque by the course of the French  
Broad River. Twelve miles of macadam-  
ized roads wind about among the  
rarest flowers and shrubs of the world.  
The mountain laurel grows beside the  
rhododendron, and the honeysuckle  
interlocks its foliage with rarer vines  
along the borders. Miles of spruce  
and balsam are mingled with other  
shrubs, and it is impossible to distin-  
guish between the indigenuous and the  
exotic. No one can tell where nature  
leaves off and art begins. The entire  
wonderful variety of flowers and shrubs  
seems to have sprung from the soil  
without care. The drainage is perfect,  
and the exhilarating air laden with  
the perfume of flowers, intermingled  
in indescribable bouquets.  
Biltmore House rests on an eminence  
2,800 feet above sea level, overlooking  
most of the park, with a view of half  
a hundred mountain peaks that rise to  
a height of 4,000 to 6,200 feet. It is

**NO CURE—NO PAY.**

That is the way all druggists are author-  
ized to sell Grover's Tasteless Chill  
Tonic for Chills and Malaria. It is sim-  
ply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form.  
Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter  
nauseating tonics. Price 50c. Oct 22.

**THREE SUPREME OBJECTS.**

North Carolina Needs Better Schools  
Diversified Industries, and Good  
Roads.  
Just at this time and in years im-  
mediately following three supreme  
objects should engage the interest of  
North Carolina, from mountains to sea.  
1. First and most important is the  
improvement of our educational fac-  
ilities. This must be done. The State's  
stain of illiteracy must be wiped out.  
The public schools must do it. The  
question then narrows down to the  
perfecting of the public schools and  
inducing a regular attendance upon  
them. We do not advocate compul-  
sory education. That is too undem-  
ocratic. But something must be done.  
2. Diversified industries, from farm-  
ing to manufacturing. The day has  
passed when we may expect to grow  
rich or even prosperous alone on our  
crops of cotton and tobacco. Our  
climate is suitable for the cultivation  
of nearly any product of the United  
States. Attention must be directed  
more to what is looked upon as small  
things, dairying, poultry raising, vari-  
ous foods for both man and beast,  
fruit-growing, trucking, etc. The num-  
erous openings of railroads piercing  
the State open up abundant markets  
for us, and thousands of dollars will  
pour into the State where now not one  
comes. Notable examples of this are  
the wonderful development of the  
fruit-growing and trucking industry of  
the Eastern portion of the State in the  
past few years, where only a little  
stuff was made for the few home mar-  
kets that had been opened up to the  
North Carolina farmers and fruit-  
growers. It would be interesting to  
know how many thousands of dollars  
were brought into the State this year  
by the strawberry crop alone. We  
have often heard the cry of "diversify,"  
"diversify," but it is a stern necessity.  
In manufacturing the chief operations  
are in cotton mills, of which there are  
a large number in the State, most of  
them having paid handsome profits  
until the hard times set in, since when  
few have done much more than keep  
going.  
Profits will doubtless revive with the  
revival of business. Other manufac-  
turing grows more sustaining and oppor-  
tunities of successful investments arise.

**ROAD MAKING.**

This must be  
an important question in the State for  
at least the next quarter of a century.  
We take it that the necessity and de-  
sirability of good roads are self-evident.  
No agricultural country can long re-  
main in the highest state of prosperity  
unless the farmers have highways over  
which they can easily, quickly and  
cheaply carry their products to market,  
or shipping point. The birth of this  
sentiment in North Carolina is recent,  
but it seems well started. May it not  
decrease.—Monroe Journal.

**CAROLINA AT WINCHESTER.**

The 17th of September has been  
named as Carolina Day at the annual  
fair of the Shenandoah Valley Agricul-  
tural Society, and that day will see  
a greater number of people from the  
Old North State at the historic old  
town of Winchester than at any other  
time since the war. This will be the  
closing day of the fair, and the cor-  
nerstone of the monument, to be er-  
ected in Stonewall Cemetery, will be  
laid. The monument is to be in  
honor of the North Carolina soldiers  
who either fell in battles or died in  
hospitals and are buried there. Rev.  
Dr. James B. Ayre, rector of the  
Episcopal church at Louisville, will  
deliver the address at the cornerstone  
laying.—Northfolk Virginian.

**Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.**

The intense itching and smarting, in-  
cident to these diseases, is instantly allayed  
by applying Chamberlain's Eye and  
Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases  
have been permanently cured by it. It  
is equally efficient for itching piles and  
a favorite remedy for sore nipples,  
chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites  
and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box.  
Dr. Cad's Condition Powders are  
just what a horse needs when in bad  
condition. Tonic, blood purifier and  
vermifuge. They are not food but  
medicine and the best in use to put a  
horse in prime condition. Price 25  
cents per package.  
For sale by M. Dorsey.

**ECONOMY in taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.**

It takes 100 doses one  
dollar is peculiar to and true only of  
the One True BLOOD Purifier.

**FACTS ABOUT ALASKA.**

Some gold is fine enough to float.  
Wear silk gloves and then fur.  
The Eskimo is virtuous, the Chilkat  
is not.  
Canadian rapacity will drive the  
miner into American territory.  
Canadian police are highly effi-  
cient.  
Reindeer will be the future locomotives.  
Alaskan dogs are wonderfully intel-  
ligent—the result of selection and  
heredity.  
The natives eat much decayed fish.  
They are all honest.  
Thousands of miners from other na-  
tions will go.  
A Chicago company leads in Alaskan  
exploration.  
Hay grows as high as a man's head.  
Hardy vegetables can be raised.  
All the streams show true gold fis-  
sures.  
Take plenty of flour, buy all you  
think you need, then buy more! Last  
winter a man killed himself because  
he had five pounds of baking powder  
and no flour.  
Alder act of Congress communi-  
ties of miners can make their own  
laws.  
No thief gets a fairer trial anywhere  
nor any prompt execution.  
Make caches on platforms six feet  
high. Wolves.  
It will pay you to wait a year or two.  
It costs \$1,000 now and will cost \$200  
then.  
All distances are gigantic. It is  
2,000 miles from Sitka to Klondike.  
A boat leaving Dawson September  
20th is chased to the mouth by freezing  
water.  
All wood in the Aleutian Islands  
grew on glaciers in Alaska.  
Whole forests break into the sea.  
Some streams are bridged by glaciers.  
Some wood is beautifully polished  
by glacier action.  
Avalanches in the interior are un-  
known.  
Owing to the dryness there is not  
much suffering from the cold.  
Take a 40-80 rifle with telescope  
sights.  
One small tribe makes \$2,500 a  
year from silver fox skins. They are  
worth \$250 each.  
Exposed portions of the body freeze  
in three minutes.  
Enough library, one Bible, one  
Shakespeare.  
Snow shoes are not needed in the  
nine country.  
Buy mines from discouraged min-  
ers.  
Trading companies will not carry  
goods for competitors.  
Next year's competition will bring  
down their prices 50 per cent.  
Meals on the boat up the river cost  
\$1 each.  
Before going on a sea voyage or into the  
country, be sure and put a box of Ayer's  
Pills in your valise. You may have occa-  
sion to thank us for this hint. To relieve  
constipation, biliousness, and nausea,  
Ayer's Pills are the best in the world.  
They are also easy to take.

**PITHY PARAGRAPHS OF INTEREST AND INFORMATION.**

Points for Fortune Hunters to Read  
Reflect Upon—Trials and Difficulties  
That Confront Those Who go to the  
Klondike Regions in Search of  
Riches.  
So much has been said and written  
recently about the great gold fields of  
Alaska that any facts regarding the  
country are interesting. The Chicago  
Times Herald gives the following  
condensed facts and conditions:  
Alaska is two and one half times as  
large as Texas.  
It is eight times as large as all New  
England.  
It is as large as the South including  
Texas.  
It is as large as all the States east  
of the Mississippi and north of the  
Ohio, including Virginia and West  
Virginia.  
It makes San Francisco east of our  
center.  
Its coast line is 26,000 miles.  
It has the highest mountain in  
North America.  
It has the only forest covered glacier  
in the world.  
The Treadwell is one of its greatest  
gold mines.  
It has the best yellow cedar in the  
world.  
It has the greatest salmon fisheries.  
It has cod banks that beat New-  
foundland.  
It has the largest river in the world,  
with a man standing on a bank of the  
Yukon 150 miles from its mouth can-  
not see the other bank.  
The Yukon is twenty miles wide  
700 miles from its mouth.  
With its tributaries it is navigable  
2,500 miles.  
It is larger than the Danube.  
It is larger than the La Plata.  
It is larger than the Orinoco.  
It discharges one third more water  
than the Mississippi.  
The water is fresh fifteen miles from  
its mouth.  
It has more gold in its basin than  
any other river.  
Its color is beautifully blue to its  
junction with the White river 1,100  
miles above the mouth.  
Alaska runs 1,500 miles west of  
Hawaii.  
Yukon basin gold is estimated at  
\$5,000,000,000.  
The necessary eruptive force for the  
formation of great fissure veins is every-  
where evident in Alaska.  
Silk should be worn next to the  
body then wool and then furs.  
Citric acid should be taken to pre-  
vent scurvy.  
The food there produces rectal dis-  
eases. Take medicine.  
Lima beans are good portable  
food.  
Snow glasses should not be forgot-  
ten.  
Nowhere are mosquitoes so numer-  
ous.  
There are two kinds of poisonous  
flies.  
Moose are plentiful. The flesh re-  
sembles horse flesh.  
Capital of stock companies organ-  
ized to do business in Alaska aggre-  
gate \$200,000,000.  
It is probable that within twelve  
months Dawson City will be within  
four days from Juneau.  
In central and northern Ala ka the  
ground is frozen to the depth of 200  
feet.  
Snowfall in the interior is very light  
—six inches or so.  
The heaviest rain and snow are on  
the Southeast coast.  
No land contains finer spruce tim-  
ber.  
In its low temperature gold filling  
in teeth contracts and falls out. Use  
amalgam.  
Men born in the Southern latitudes  
have become insane in the long  
dark.  
Take a chess board and men, they  
prevent dementia.  
The medicine chest should hold  
pills, pills, pills.  
A temperature of 75 degrees below  
zero has been recorded.  
When it gets below 50 there is no  
wind.  
A tent is as good as a house and  
cheaper.  
No shelter is needed except when  
the wind blows. At other times a  
sleeping bag will answer the pur-  
poses.  
Just below rapid ice forms only  
nine feet thick, and there fishing is  
done. In other places it will reach  
40 feet.  
In the dark seasons here twilight  
lasts six hours, and almost any kind  
of work can be done.  
Elk, caribou and grouse are com-  
mon and easily killed.  
Don't eat snow or ice. Melt them  
Else quinsy.  
In low temperature the inside of the  
throat sometimes freezes. This is lo-  
cally called "frost burning."  
You can only bathe the face and  
feet.  
In summer all land not mountain is  
swamp.  
Underfoot is ice cake, overhead is  
22 hours sun.  
Everybody gets lice. Boil under-  
clothing. Freeze sleeping bags.  
Talk on the ice pack is heard a half  
mile.  
An expert placer miner can pan  
dry.  
Alaskan "rust" is as big as wheat.

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