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A PLOW THAT CAME OUT OF A DREAM

Alderman J. Bruce Fry Now Has A Patent On It

IT ACTED WELL IN THE TEST

It is a Combination of Turn Plow and Sub-Soiler, So That a Man Really Has Two Farm Tools in One — May Prove Indispensable to Farmers

A dream — that gassamer-threaded, glimmering, unsubstantial fancy of the mind that lies beyond the Ivory Gate to Sleep — has resulted in a solid piece of steel for Alderman J. Bruce Fry. He has invented a combination turning and sub-soil two-horse plow that weighs 3) pounds more than the ordinary sub-soiler. This plow was tested on Mr. Carroll Shuford's place the other day and proved a perfect success. Mr. Robt. Abernethy pulled the bell-cord over the mules, and under his piloting the iron snout rooted up the furrows beautifully.

The plow is a two-story affair. When turning is needed the big sub-soiler turns on a pivot and is stationary, up-side-down, while the field is turned. If subsoiling is needed to be done, the turning plow wheels over, and a man has a double plow in the field at once.

On the 14th of last February Mr. Fry awoke from a troubled dream at 3 A. M. He could not sleep any more, so he sat by the fire and picked out the pieces of his night dream and fitted them into a day dream.

It was the combination plow! Mrs. Fry feared he was sick and got up to hunt the camphor, and things like.

Mrs. Mayo, Mrs. Fry's mother, also got up to help the patient.

When Mr. Fry told her about the dream, she remarked: "Why, that's the way inventions come."

"I hadn't thought of a patent — nothing more than the curious thing in mind — till my mother-in-law suggested it, but in three days I had the papers in Washington. Now I have a patent."

If you don't believe it is a success, ask Carroll Shuford.

The Patterson School.

Many readers do not know that there is in this end of the State a school which gives penniless boys a chance to earn their education by working on the school farm. This institution is the Patterson School, located in the Yadkin Valley, in Caldwell county, 8 miles north of Lenoir. It gives to boys 16 years old and over a thorough ground-work in Arithmetic, Reading, Writing, Spelling, History, Bible-study, Geography, Physiology, Civil Government and Physics and builds on this foundation a system of careful, practical instruction in modern, up-to-date farming. Agriculture is taught in all its important branches both in the class-room and on the farm, by a graduate of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, who is also an experienced practical farmer and teacher.

The school property of 1300 acres, 300 in cultivation, offers opportunity for instruction in every possible line of farming. Boys wishing to enter the school must be at least 16 years old, of good moral character and in sound health.

The tuition charge of \$60, may be paid in cash, (\$30 on Sept. 4, 1812, and \$30 on Jan. 4, 1913), or by 800 hours work. Boys wishing to work out their tuition charge must report for duty at the school not later than June 1st, as his work has to be done before the school session begins. After Sept. 4, every boy is required to pay for his board by working 18 hours a week.

Only a limited number of boys can be accommodated and preference will be given to applicants who intend to become farmers. In view of the few vacancies open for the coming year, applications for admission should be made at once. Write to the Principal of the Patterson School, Legerwood, Caldwell County, N. C.

On the 20th of May the Hickory Electric Co. started in to require patrons of the telephone system to ask for numbers instead of names. The people are accepting the situation amiably. It is really an evidence of the growth of the town. Manager Dasher also requests patrons, when answering calls, to give the number of their phone, instead of names of firms. It is the time-saving way if you will think about it.

Capt. Sherrill's Booklet on the March.

The Nashville Christian Advocate of May 3 contains the following article from Capt. M. O. Sherrill, of Raleigh, the bravest of the brave, who has in war and peace given the best there was in him to the state:

In the Confederate Veteran for February, 1912, on page 91, that excellent magazine shows its kind partiality to a one-legged Confederate soldier by repeating in the Veteran the following notice:

"This little booklet, by Miles O. Snell, of Raleigh, N. C. is recommended as a true story of soldier life in the Confederate army (or prison life), and its humor and pathos will be enjoyed by old and young. Capt. Sherrill lost a leg in the unequal conflict, but he is still fighting the battle of life cheerfully. His story is published in pamphlet form and it takes only twelve cents to get a copy, postpaid to any part of the union. Send him your order."

How can I express my thanks to Mr. S. A. Cunningham for the above voluntary notice of my pamphlet? May he live long, and may his subscription list be multiplied a hundredfold! The old soldiers can read nothing along the line of the war of 1861-65 that excels it.

The notice in the Veteran caused me to sell pamphlets in Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Virginia, Missouri, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, and Massachusetts. A number of Union soldiers purchased copies and wrote cheering letters to "show that the war was over."

Helping Confederate soldier in this way is so much better than helping him with "fine compliments." We cannot live on "air compliments." I have not had a cent of pension from my State; but I have paid out several hundred dollars within the last forty-five years for artificial legs to replace the one I gave to the State in 1864.

If the people in my own State wish to purchase the pamphlet, they can do so by sending me twelve cents, and it will be sent with who do not want it, for it is nothing great when you get it. But "we should not despise the day of small things."

Raleigh N. C.

Particulars of The Hartso Case.

The case of Hartso against the Southern Railroad, C. & N. W. Railroad and City of Hickory was tried yesterday. Ten lawyers, as follows were engaged in the case: J. S. Ervin of Morganton, Marlin of Chester, W. C. Feimster and George McCorkle of Newton, Council & Yount, W. A. Self, A. A. Whitener, C. L. Whitener, and C. W. Bagby of Hickory. They formed a line across the bar of the court house that reminded a sportsman of a football team in position for the ball to be snapped. Damages were claimed against the two railroads and the town for injuries received by Mrs. Hartso being thrown out of a buggy by driving against a crosstie driven between the tracks of the two railroads at a crossing near the Huffry hotel in Hickory. The Judge sustained motions relieving the City of Hickory and C. & N. W. Railroad from all responsibility and the jury gave the plaintiff a verdict for \$350 against the Southern.

Blind George Loses His Best Friend.

"I lost a mighty good friend here 'tother week," said Blind George, as he ambled up the steps into the Democrat office. "I feel like the backbone of all my friends is gone. When I was in the hospital at Baltimore havin' die here eye fixed, I write to Mr. Shuford to please send me \$5, and he sent me \$7. When the people in Baltimore seen what recognition he giv' me, dey fixed up a purse and sent me home."

"I felt mighty bad when de Democrat fust put in power. It cut my rations a little bit, but de Lawd sent a lot of wood to cut. Mr. Shuford always stood by me. Yes, sir, I've lost my bes' friend."

Where North Carolina sits is still the head of the table. The Newton Enterprise says that Capt. C. O. Sherrill, son of Mr. M. O. Sherrill, the State Librarian, is the army engineer in charge of levee work on the Mississippi River at New Orleans. His work has saved the lives of thousands and much property has also been saved, — Raleigh News-Observer.

Ivey Dots.

West Hickory, May 20th.—The New Board of Aldermen appointed Leonard Church Chief of Police for West Hickory.

A number of new hands have come to the Ivey in the past two weeks and hands seem to be plentiful at present.

Miss Mary J. Poteet from Morgan has been here several days visiting Miss Minnie and Carrie Berry.

There was an ice cream supper at Claud Griffin's Saturday evening. This was the first one this season and was largely attended by the young people.

Mr. C. C. Walker, from Clinton, S. C. was here several days last week visiting friends and it is reported that the main object of his visit was to see his best girl.

R. P. Daiken has been working a force of hands for several days over hauling and repairing the Dr. Nicholson house recently bought by Mr. E. A. Smith, of Charlotte.

We understand that Mr. Smith is going to move here as soon as the work on his house is completed.

Jeter Atwood, a member of the Standing Army, is here at present spending his vacation with his brother, P. Atwood.

C. C. Ballard and family from Brookford moved here one day last week and are working in the mill.

J. T. Abe, who had been working in the mill here for several months, went to Danville, Va. last Saturday to work in the mill there.

Miss Mary J. Poovey and Miss Julia Richards went over in Caldwell county last Thursday to attend a family reunion held at Mrs. Younts. They report a nice time.

S. M. May was here last week visiting the family of Make McKenzie.

Mrs. Betty Humphries has been very sick for several weeks but we are glad to say she is now a little better.

G. C. Clark, who left here sometime ago looking for a better job, has returned and is working at the Ivey again. The boys can't stay away from the Ivey mill very long.

H. A. Burch and family moved to their new house in Longview last week.

Prof. N. M. Cordell has been in Burke Co. for several days teaching a singing.

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The Democrat's Shuford Memorial Number.

The Democrat has the following appreciated line from Capt. M. O. Sherrill, our talented State Librarian:

"You are getting out a good paper. I try to take good care of your paper and have it bound in book form. Your issue of May the 9th with the sketch of John M. and A. A. Shuford, gave by far the best sketch I have seen, and if you have any extra copies left I would be glad to have one or two copies for some of our folks out west and south."

Marriages.

Married on last Sunday morning at the residence of H. A. Adams, in Icard township, Burke county, Miss Sarah A. Augel of Caldwell county to Mr. Guy Heffner of Catawba county. The ceremony was performed by H. A. Adams, J. P.

Married, in the city of Hickory, at the residence of Jack Day, on the 17th day of May, 1912, Mr. A. L. Lail to Miss Cordia Day, both of Hickory. S. E. Killian, Esq., officiating.

WINNERS OF SPECIAL PRIZES.

Great Interest Shown in the Baby Contest Last Week. — Five of Our Little Tots carried off Special Honors and Gold. — The Race was a Close One.

In District No. 1 Master James S. Crouch won a \$10 gold piece and Miss Mary Helen Flowers won \$5.

In district No. 2 Miss Jessie Mae Herman and Miss Margaret Campbell tied for first money and will receive a \$5 gold piece each. Miss Ruth Griffin took over the other \$5 gold piece.

Mr. Fred R. Yoder, one of the brilliant young men of Catawba, is back home for the holidays after finishing his school at Sturgills, Ashe county.

COMMENT

MONEY IN A SHOEBOX—FIRE!

A recent dispatch from Kershaw, S. C. told of the burning of the house there of Mrs. Almetta Kee, who hardly escaped with her life. Thanks to the warning of a young couple who lived across the street. In the house was a shoe box which contained \$1600.00 in cash, mostly in greenbacks. This was entirely destroyed, and was a total loss. We frequently call attention to such incidents, and yet people continue to pass by the bank, and deposit their hard-earned savings in such fire-traps. Get it out of that old sock or the chimney jam, and put it in the bank.

The above story has the greater local interest because Mrs. Kee now lives in Hickory in the house formerly occupied by Mr. John Campbell.

THE BRISTOW AMENDMENT.

Most of the Southern States favor election of Senators by the people but cannot accept it with the Bristow amendment on it, as it went from the House to the Senate, which takes from States

the right to control their elections. Senator Overman says:

"Senator Root and others upon the floor of the Senate admitted that Congress would have the power under the Bristow amendment to annul the provisions of our election laws and the grandfather clauses as found in the constitutions of Southern States and give it power to make federal laws to control elections in such a manner as to insure to all persons the right to vote, and he meant to put the country on notice that that was the meaning of the amendment."

THE DEACON MISQUOTES.

We hate to do it, and we fear he will not admit it, but Deacon Hemphill misquoted Scripture in one of his last Lord's day editorials. He said: "It is appointed unto all men once to die." It is not so written. The "all" does not belong in the quotation. Scripture is exquisitely accurate, and as there will be a whole generation of Enochs, who will be translated at the Resurrection day, it did not say "all."

Hickory has always had the very best of railroad agents from the days of J. L. Cilley and Southerland down to Harry Little and Herbert Miller. When the latter at the time of the Connelly Springs wreck sent off a special train with 7 doctors and a nurse, and cots, litters, etc., in 20 minutes after receiving the call for help, it shows ability to hustle. Of course it's being the hour helped to get the doctors quickly, but it was a neat piece of work anyhow.

Hickory township is fortunate in selling half her road bonds at a good premium, as noted elsewhere, and in getting such a fine road commission to spend the money and direct the work. The commissioners are K. C. Menzies, N. S. Dasher, G. H. Geitner, Mr. Rockett and Squire Huffman.

Suppose some bad accident had happened in Hickory when all its doctors were gone to the wreck, except Dr. Johnson? Ought we to let go of all our doctors at one time, any more than all our fire engines to one fire?

Part of the Newton and Hickory township good roads bonds have been sold. The Wachovia Loan and Trust Co. bought \$25,000 of the Newton bonds, which are five percents and run for 30 years, paying \$25,000, which is par plus \$100. C. A. Webb and Co. of Asheville bought the same amount of Hickory township bonds which are six percents and run for 20 years, at \$26,312. The Carolina Insurance and Adjustment Co., of Charlotte, was a close bidder for the Hickory bonds. There were over 100 bidders,

In Memoriam.

The Abel A. Shuford Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy has been a shining mark for death ever since its organization.

We have lost members, both active and associate and now our historian is directed to prepare a memorial for our record expressing our sorrow over the death of Mr. John M. Shuford, which occurred May 1st, 1912, giving evidence alike of our appreciation of Mr. Shuford's life and of our affection and sympathy for Mrs. Shuford, our beloved Registrar for so long.

It is because men like Mr. John M. Shuford have lived that the U. D. C. exists. It is to commemorate their deeds that the Order was founded and we honor their later days of peace as much as we glory in their brave deeds in the time of strife.

It is because of the many misgivings on the part of the women, the little procession started back under the guidance of the young man, the ladies carrying the butter. All went well till they had gone about a quarter of a mile, when the escort suddenly called, excitedly: "Come on!" and started on a run toward higher ground.

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Thinking that they understood the occasion of his activity, they needed no urging to follow him. On and on they sped, throwing away their butter as fast as they could. Finally, bathed in perspiration and gasping for breath, they sank exhausted on a rocky ledge whither their guides had led them.

Standing just above, he waved his arm in a dramatic gesture toward the valley below, where a freight train could be seen crawling slowly out from between a cleft in the hills, and shouting: "There she goes—the milk train!"—Youth's Companion.

CHIEF EVENT OF THE DAY

Passing of the Milk Train, Not Charged of Bull, Caused Young Farmer's Haste.

In rural New England the passing of a railway train is still a matter of public interest quite astonishing to visitors from the city. Last summer three ladies from Boston hired an abandoned farmhouse in northern New England, in a region devoted to dairy. One warm August day they walked through the rocky pastures to a farmhouse three miles distant, in quest of a two weeks' supply of butter.

On learning that they had come through the fields, the farmer's wife exclaimed: "Why, you can't be back that way alone! Our bull's out there in the back lot, and only day fore yesterday he treed my son-in-law in a stun for two hours. I'll have him go home with you."

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Queerest Prison in World

Arizone County Jail Is Blasted Out of a Mountain of Solid Quartz Rock.

When the authorities of Graham county, Arizona, decided to look about for a place in which to confine criminals, they found a natural depression in the side of a hill. This was enlarged into what might be called an artificial cave, divided into four compartments. The cave was excavated parallel to the side of the mountain in which it was made, and daylight admitted by holes blown out of the wall with explosives, the windows being guarded by a network of heavy steel bars. The entrance to the depression was also closed in the same manner, and a vestibule or porch of masonry built out to provide quarters for the sheriff and his assistants. This vestibule is also divided into compartments, which are connected by gates of steel bars. The only way of entering the prison is through