

WAY CUT OFF RURAL ROUTES.

Many of Them Said to be Not Half Paying Expenses, and Many Established Without Reason or Necessity—The Number of Frauds in the Department up to Date.

There may be some shake up in the rural free delivery system of the government as a result of the investigation into the administration of Supt. Machen who is now under arrest for receiving bribes.

Ernest Haywood, the Raleigh lawyer, the slayer of Ludlow Skinner, was today released on \$10,000 bond, after a hearing of some days before Justice Douglas and Walker on habeas corpus.

Justice Douglas announced that Justice Walker and himself had decided that the case as presented to them was baillable under the rule laid down in State vs. Herndon, and the petitioner was entitled to bail.

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Robbing the government is the biggest thing of late, and there seems to be no end to these frauds. It was first announced that there was irregularity in the free delivery system.

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"Strength and vigor come of good food, duly digested. Force, a ready-to-serve wheat and barley food, adds no burden, but sustains, nourishes, invigorates."

SPARKS OF PUBLIC OPINION.

OIL AND WATER. The possibilities of oil and water seem to be too great for the imagination to grasp.

ICE CREAM PARLORS. Ice cream parlors in New York have paying patronage. It is fashionable for ladies accompanied by dogs to have their canine pets served with sweets at the same table.

LONGER AND STRONGER. The longer that postoffice department investigation continues the stronger the steench becomes.

STANLY'S SIDE OF IT. The decision of the United States Supreme Court—the Court of the last resort—that the Stanley county bonds are valid and that the county must pay the bonds will come as a disappointment to the many citizens of the county who had expected the converse.

There was quite a rush of people to shake Haywood's hand. He gave bail in a few minutes.

A justified bond was given by three brothers and a cousin of Haywood and several friends who justly for \$75,000. This bond was accepted and Haywood released.

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Respect for Him. We have always had a great deal of respect for the grand old soul of the man who advertised the only second class hotel on earth.

Dwelling Together in Amity. There are two newspapers in this State conducted in the same town, of the same political faith, whose editors are members of the same church and who for years have dwelt together in harmony.

Startling Evidence. Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds to be unequalled.

Much Cry and Little Wool. Beyond doubt the Lord takes care of lawyers. Supplemental proceedings have been in progress several days before Clerk Nelson in an estate worth not exceeding \$100 wherein four attorneys are engaged.

A fire in Albemarle last Wednesday night destroyed the machine works of R. L. Sibley & Co., and caused damage to the extent of \$6,000.

A FUNERAL A MINUTE.

The Gainesville Dead Buried Very Rapidly—Recovered From the Effects of the Disaster.

Many of the visiting doctors remained over today, and it is quite probable that more doctors will be necessary to take the place of those already physically exhausted from the long strain.

Several old soldiers who had made applications for crosses were not present to receive them on last Wednesday. Messrs J. M. Fairley and W. H. Martin received theirs later in the day.

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Worst of All Experiences. Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala.

That Throbbing Headache. Would quickly leave you if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches.

The Ohio State Republican convention met Thursday, and after the opening prayer by a negro preacher, proceeded to endorse Senator Hanna for re-election.

Grounds for Unity. Prof. Andrews has had a somewhat meteoric career. He was a professor in a new England University and his free silver views made him persona non grata to the trustees.

ASHCRAFT'S EUREKA LINIMENT. This Liniment will remove spavin, splint, ringbones, and all cartilaginous growths, when applied in the earlier stages of the disease, and will relieve the lameness even in chronic cases.

Watts Bill Passed None Too Soon. The Watts bill had passed 25 years ago many a man who is now poor would be well off and many a fellow would have been saved the humiliation of a term in the pen.

Watterson Doesn't Like It. The proposal to nominate Mr. Cleveland, in short and in fine, taking it seriously, is a proposal, first, to Mexicanize the Democratic party, and through the Democratic party, to submit to the voters the issue in 1904 of Mexicanizing the republic.

CROSSES OF HONOR GIVEN.

Mrs. A. W. Klutz of the Chester Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, Pins Them on a Number of Veterans.

Side trips on Steamer Wilmington to Carolina Beach, Old Brunswick, Fort Anderson, the Atlantic Fishery, Fort Fisher, the Rocks, Southport, Fort Caswell, Ball Head, Trolley cars run to Wrightsville every 20 minutes for those who wish to see this famous beach.

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Driven to Desperation. Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in burns, cuts, wounds, etc.

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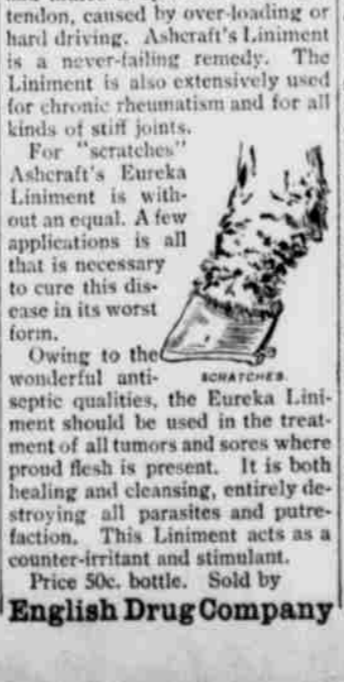
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W. A. STEWART. Yours for business.



Black Crime of a White Woman and a Negro Man.

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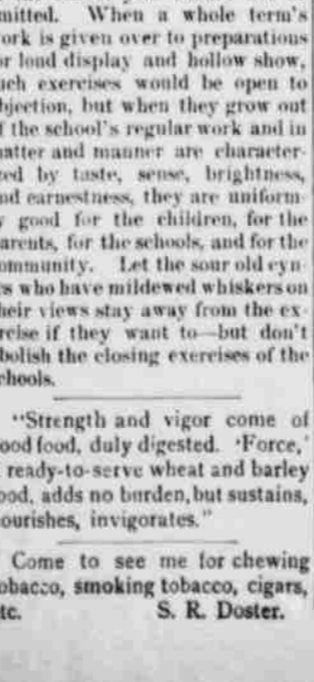
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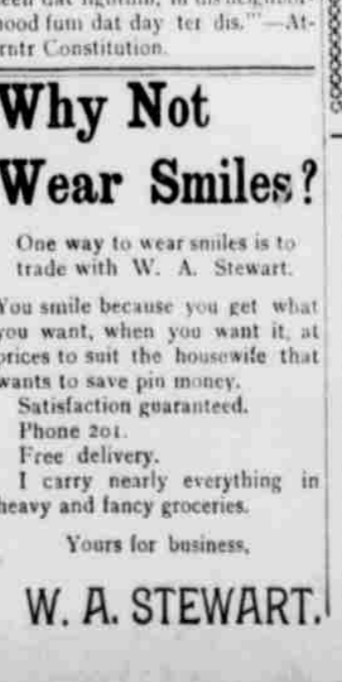
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Black Hair

"I have used your Hair Vigor for five years and am greatly pleased with it. It certainly restores the original color to gray hair. It keeps my hair soft."—Mrs. Helen Kikenny, New Portland, Me.

Ayer's Hair Vigor has been restoring color to gray hair for fifty years, and it never fails to do this work, either.

Disease takes no summer vacation. If you need flesh and strength use Scott's Emulsion summer as in winter.

A Cool Head. In every desirable at this season. Out doors, when you feel in the best cooling medium you can get.

CRUSHED. It adds to the cleanliness and coolness of summer drinks of all kinds.

CADIEU & WALLACE. I want your country produce of all kinds. See me before you sell.

TRY The Empire Corn AND Fertilizer Drill. It is the best investment a farmer can make. It will plant your corn, fertilize it, and cover it at the same time.

The Empire. It is decidedly the best on the market. No chain attachment; no links to slip or break, and cause you trouble or inconvenience, but a POSITIVE FORCE FEED.

The Heath-Lee Hardware Co. "Yes, suh," said the colored farmer, "lightnin' hit two or my mules at de same time, en I hain't seen dat lightning in dis neighborhood foun' dat day ter dis."

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Force advertisement featuring a woman and a child. Text: "Jim Dumps' young wife while yet a bride. Some biscuits made with greatest pride. Jim looked with fear upon the food, But to a bride one can't be rude. 'Let's eat 'Force' first, dear, 'tis my whim.' It saved the life of 'Sunny Jim.'"

Ashcraft's Eureka Liniment advertisement. Text: "This Liniment will remove spavin, splint, ringbones, and all cartilaginous growths, when applied in the earlier stages of the disease, and will relieve the lameness even in chronic cases. One of the most common lameness among horses and mules is spavin of the back tendon, caused by over-loading or hard driving. Ashcraft's Liniment is a never-failing remedy. The Liniment is also extensively used for chronic rheumatism and for all kinds of stiff joints."

The Empire Corn AND Fertilizer Drill advertisement. Text: "It is the best investment a farmer can make. It will plant your corn, fertilize it, and cover it at the same time. Take out your pencil, figure the saving of fertilizer, add the expense of planting the old way, and you will have your Drill almost paid for at the end of the season."

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