

there he started back to and as his strength was about that, he reached shallow water, and the boy's life was saved.

Car of Horses Loose in County.

Greensboro News 29th.

The Southern railway found a new sort of trouble from derailments as the result of an accident at Gibsonville yesterday morning when a stock car loaded with horses and mules left the track. One mule was killed and several horses hurt, those that were not hurt stampeded over the country. All day yesterday several men were in search of the horses and the Southern herewith runs in a claim for any stray horse or mule found within the confines of Guilford or adjoining counties.

The car of horses and mules was the only one to leave the track, but an even stranger trick of fate was the killing of a mule while practically all of the horses escaped without a scratch. Passenger service was delayed a short time on account of the derailment a derrick having to be sent from here to raise the trucks back to their natural position.

The horses were shipped from Kentucky and were consigned to a Goldsboro dealer.

Died for His Dog.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28.—Attempting to save his dog from death beneath a locomotive, Mr. George F. Blackwell of this city, but a native of Elberton, Ga., was struck and instantly killed this afternoon about 2 o'clock by a Southern Railway train just outside the city's limits. Mr. Blackwell with one of his sons was out hunting this morning. Returning they were overtaken by a train on a small trestle. They stepped out on a platform to await the passing of the train but just as the engine approached one of the dogs stepped on the track. While attempting to pull the animal back Mr. Blackwell was struck by the pilot of the engine.

Persons troubled with partial paralysis are often very much benefited by massaging the affected parts thoroughly when applying Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

A mule Taking Pasteur Treatment.

The Pasteur treatment for animals is somewhat new in the annals of science, yet Dr. Adam Fisher has a patent at his veterinary hospital on the C. C. & A. Railroad, near the Morehead St. bridge, in the shape of a comely and well-built member of the mule kingdom, which was bitten by a rabid dog some weeks ago, and whose owner decided that on account of the value of the mule, he should have the benefit of the celebrated Pasteur treatment.

The treatment is administered in the case of animals in the same manner as in the case of human beings, by the use of hypodermic injections of the anti-rabies serum. The serum is received fresh every day by Dr. Fisher and the mule is taking his medicine with the customary mule philosophy. The mule will be a patient at the veterinary hospital for perhaps three weeks, after which he will be immune from rabies for three or four years, at least.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Swallows His Thermometer.

Seranton, Pa., Dec. 30.—Joseph Hamilton, of Throop, a miner, who has been receiving treatment at the Hahnemann Hospital in this city for burns received in an explosion in the mines, died in a very peculiar manner.

About 10 o'clock the nurse stuck a clinical thermometer into Hamilton's mouth to take his temperature, went away to attend to other duties for a few minutes, and upon her return found the patient unconscious and the thermometer missing. Within two hours Hamilton died.

An autopsy showed that he had swallowed the thermometer and that death resulted from poisoning.

Lynchburg Has Meanest Man.

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 28.—The meanest man on earth, many persons think, lives near Lynchburg.

Some one stole eight turkeys from the Presbyterian orphanage, which were intended for the Christmas dinner of the orphans at that institution. The turkeys, all of them large ones, were ready for the oven when they were taken.

foxes and minks, and perhaps also martens, can be made a permanent and profitable occupation. The experiments now under way are being watched with great care, and all possible information is being obtained from breeders as to the treatment and feeding of the animals, with a view to ultimately issuing bulletins on the subject to supplement the two already published on fox-farming and the muskrat industry.

Huge Theft Unearthed in Government Printery.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Uncle Sam has been a perpetual Christmas tree for several employees in the Government Printing Office, according to startling disclosures made by the joint printing commission of Congress, which has been quietly probing the "biggest printing office in the world." Wholesale thefts of the most expensive grades of leather have been unearthed in the binding division, and the facts corroborated by the confessions of the men most seriously implicated.

The leather taken from the Government stock was not spirited away to private workshops, but was manufactured under the very roof of the printing office into leather novelties, principally a unique sort of three-cornered pocket book, which found an enormous sale, because of the excellent material used and the high-class workmanship displayed.

"If we had not been discovered, we would have sold 10,000,000 pocketbooks—they have been going like hot cakes," one of the accused men is quoted as saying.

According to information obtained from well-founded sources, a big system of accounting for supplies is responsible for the extent of the alleged conspiracy. Those implicated counted upon an operation to make a showing that the leather had been consumed in business for members of Congress and others entitled to have public documents bound well at the public expense.

Many Children are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children break up colds in 24 hours, relieve feverishness, headache, stomach troubles, toothache disorders and destroy worms. At all druggists. Sample mailed free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

smokes a powder, whose liability to chemical deterioration has been officially held responsible for the French battleship *Liberte*'s fate, but, with the exception of a small quantity in a separate magazine, the old fashioned black kind. Assuming therefore, with the two boards of inquiry, that the explosion was from without, we still lack knowledge whose crime or criminal carelessness was responsible.

makes death almost certain if she escapes the creek.

Mr. Smith is a farmer living ten miles west of Chapel Hill and substantially fixed. His child has been lost since 11 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Robber Entered Watauga Man's Home.

Boone Democrat, 21st.

John J. L. Church, Esq., of Tamarack, was in town last Friday and told us of a very trying ordeal through which he had passed a few nights before. The old gentleman and his wife were at home together and at 2 o'clock in the morning an alarm was heard at the door. Before the sleepers were hardly conscious of foul treachery toward the warden of a peaceful though threatening power toward which they were in the position of host, but they had nothing to gain and everything to lose. They would bring down upon their heads that intermission which they dreaded, without materially weakening—for the Maine was a small, second-class battleship, almost obsolete, the greatest superior naval forces of the United States. Furthermore, the fighting at Manila Bay and around Cuba showed that in the matter of marine explosives Spanish incompetence and neglect were perhaps more marked than in any other particular. Never did Spanish mines or torpedoes do the slightest harm; it is recalled that the battleship Texas actually fouled a floating contact mine with her propeller and sustained no damage at all. That the Spanish authorities could have executed so masterly a job upon the Maine, placing the mine exactly under her without detection or else causing her to be moored exactly over it—in a spot where numerous coming and going vessels would have been endangered by the presence of any mine—almost passes belief. On the score of motive it seems far more likely that Cuban conspirators seeking to embroil the United States with Spain committed the crime; but the difficulties in their way would have been greater still. How they could have placed the mine and laid a cable to the shore for the electric spark with which it was presumably exploded, no one can explain. There remains only

perhaps evading Agent, follows suit, and for a moment things looked mighty dubious for the tree. But Baldy gently remonstrated with the diners in some simian manner and the crucial point was passed.

Many of the visitors had donated to the tree decorations. There was everything from popcorn to key rings and rubber ball.

Dinner over and souvenirs distributed, the official photographs of the park, E. R. Sanborn, rigged up his camera and all the diners were told to look at the birdie. All obliged except Mike, who dove under the table just as the picture was taken.

Perhaps she knew what was coming, for it was a flashlight. At any rate, the others knew after it had come. Betty made a prodigious leap and when the smoke had cleared was discovered on top of a 12-foot high cage. The others were either under the table or trying to hide themselves wherever retreat was possible.

After two other pictures had been taken Baldy was notified to dismiss the diners, and they all repaired to their cages chattering to one another about the splendid time they had had.

Oscar W. Underwood is Ill on Eve of Tariff Battle.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Representative Oscar W. Underwood, chairman of the ways and means committee, is ill at his apartments here threatened with appendicitis. On the eve of one of the biggest train battles that Congress has witnessed in years, in which Mr. Underwood is to lead the Democratic forces, his illness causes great concern among members of Congress.

It was reported early today that an operation might be necessary, but tonight members of Mr. Underwood's family said he was improved and his physician announced that he thought an operation would not be necessary unless there were unexpected developments. He ordered Mr. Underwood to stay in bed, however, for several days.

Mr. Underwood left his office Thursday feeling in good health and said he was going into retirement to study the tariff schedules and be ready to take up the work of framing the tariff bill with his colleagues next week.