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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Influence of Mind on Matter—Man Insists He Has Appendicitis.

Country Negro Thieves Make General Raid in Greenville—Fortune Found Under a House—A Fine Mountain Road—Mr. Duke Pays \$3,000 For a Shave—Industrial and Crop Notes.

Wilson Times: The American Tobacco company expect to place a large stemming plant here this summer.

The Republican state committee met at Raleigh Saturday afternoon and voted to hold the State convention at Greensboro on August 21.

James Ransom, nephew of Senator Ransom, committed suicide at Asheville Saturday afternoon, by taking chloral. He was employed at the Southern freight depot in the capacity of bill clerk.

Fayetteville has joined the good roads procession. A mass meeting was held at the court house Saturday night at which committees were appointed to perfect arrangements for good roads and educational conventions, to be held there on the 22nd and 23rd of this month.

The Mt. Airy Mantel and Table Company have purchased an excellent site near the depot and have already begun the erection of commodious buildings for the manufacture of mantels, tables, hall-racks, etc. They begin with a capital stock of \$10,000.

Chatham Record: It seems wonderful, if not miraculous, that a locomotive could knock a dog off the railroad without killing or even hurting him. And yet that happened near here last Monday. The fine bird dog, "Borax," belonging to Mr. Isaac London, was knocked off the track high in the air, near the Turkey creek trestle, and after picking himself up trotted on home as if nothing had happened.

A turnpike is to be constructed from North Wilkesboro to Jefferson. The survey has been organized and the company made for about six miles by Mr. S. T. Kelsey, who has become famous for the roads he has made in Watauga and Mitchell counties, and he says that though this will be expensive to make it will be the best and prettiest he has ever made. It runs for thirteen or fourteen miles along Reddies river, a typical mountain stream, which has its source beyond the top of the Blue Ridge and literally leaps down its sides for hundreds of feet to the valley below, then winds through valley and cliffs some fourteen miles and joins the Yadkin within the corporate limits of North Wilkesboro. There are numerous water powers along this stream from 100 to 400 horse power, which will be developed when this road is built. Then for the mountain tourist there will not be a prettier route in North Carolina.

Winston Sentinel: A report comes from Durham that J. B. Duke, president of the American Tobacco company, while in Durham on a visit to his father, Washington Duke, sent for a colored barber to come up and shave him. The barber is a prominent member in St. Joseph's colored Methodist church, which had an indebtedness of some \$3,000. During the shaving process the facts were made known to Mr. Duke, who, when the operation was over, tendered his check to cover the indebtedness. John Merrick says it is the largest price he ever received for a single shave.

Salisbury Sun: Wednesday night Mess. A. L. and L. D. Carter, of this county, left for British Columbia, where they will live. When they purchased their tickets they paid Ticket Agent Johnston in rusty silver coins. He inquired as to the cause of the rust on all their silver and the Mess. Carter told him it had probably been buried for many years. Several days ago a little girl at their home was playing under a house where chickens had been scratching and discovered a large amount of money. She immediately reported the matter and the Mess. Carter recovered the entire

Wants to Help Others. "I had stomach trouble all my life," says Edw. Mehler, proprietor of the Union Bottling Works, Erie, Pa., "and tried all kinds of remedies, went to several doctors and spent considerable money trying to get a moment's peace. Finally I read of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and have been taking it to my great satisfaction. I never found its equal for stomach trouble and gladly recommend it to all who suffer from it. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cures all stomach troubles. You don't have to stop eating. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what

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The Spring Poet: "Now, what rhymes with 'rill'?" —Chicago Record-Herald.

TIMELY TOPICS TERSELY TREATED.

Short Local Stories, Editorial Notes.

AN APRIL DAY.

10 a. m.
The sunshine laughs across the hill,
And wakes the crocus on the sea.
The wild birds and the babbling rill
Are singing, glad as glad can be.

12 m.
A cloud has gathered overhead;
The chill wind sounds the suburban's knell,
And I discover with deep dread,
Some knave hath stolen my umbrella!

2 p. m.
'Twas nothing but a passing shower,
Whose gentle pattering soon is o'er.
The song birds and the nodding flower
Salute the smiling sky once more.

4 p. m.
What is this rattle—how the blast
Smites 'gainst the shivering window pane!
Each trembling heart beats hard and fast,
It is the blizzard once again.

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Goldeboro has an ordinance prohibiting spitting on sidewalks or the floors of public buildings. Shall Kinston have a similar one?

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Here's another one like that about the dogs. According to exchanges movements are on foot in several towns for early closing of stores to give the clerks a chance to play. Enough.

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Voters should not be misled by newspaper and unofficial—even if legal—opinion that the law requiring payment of poll tax previous to May 1 in order to be eligible to vote, does not apply to the next fall election. The State Democratic Committee obtained an opinion from Hon. George Rountree that the law is in effect and election officials will be instructed to act accordingly, so those who wish to vote next fall should be sure and settle this month.

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Bob Burdette's answer to a young man who insisted that he must sow his fall crop of wild oats before settling down may be read with profit by every young man in Kinston. "No, young man, it does not hurt you a particle to sow your wild oats. Go ahead, and sow as you like. But it's the gathering in of the crop that will make you howl. And you have to gather it, too. If you don't, it gathers you in, and one is a great deal worse than the other."

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Here is the latest recipe for pushing a town ahead:
Praise it.
Talk about it.
Write about it.
Help to improve it.
Speak well about it.
Patronize home merchants.
Elect good men to local office.
Give them moral support when in office.
Induce desirable settlers to locate in it.
Let "Home Trade" be the watchword.
Urge public benefits and improvements at all times.
Assist in promoting every enterprise for the good of the whole community.
Don't follow "calamity shouters;" keep in the front ranks of progress and advancement.
Remember that every dollar invested in permanent improvements is that much on interest.

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When Timely Topics wants to say something which is liable to touch a tender spot it proposes to deal the blow quietly by stealing apropos remarks from an exchange. There are plenty of dogs in Kinston and of course their owners think they are all right, so Timely Topics won't do a thing but copy the following: "Almost every day we hear of people, especially children, being bitten by mad dogs. And judging from the stray dogs around this town, Chatham has an overproduction of the worthless and useless curs. Why anybody should brood up a lot of dogs for no profit we can not understand. A dog is considered no property in law unless the owner pays taxes on it and can not recover damages on the dog if it should be killed or stolen. But, nevertheless, the owner can be held responsible for damages caused by his dog, whether he pays taxes on it or not."

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Mrs. Durham Cured.
DEAR SIR:—I am a great sufferer from severe nervous headache, and find in your timely speedy relief. Also when feeling nervous and all broken up, a dose seems me all right. I take pleasure in recommending it as a thoroughly satisfactory remedy. Sincerely,
MRS. COLLETT DUNHAM

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SPRING HAS COME.

We mean, of course, our line of Bed Springs. You should inspect them. You will find them all bargains. We have a complete stock of Furniture and can supply any of your needs in that line. Give us a trial.

QUINN & MILLER.

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