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### OLD NORTH STATE **NEWS AND GOSSIP**

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

other Good (?) Man Gone Wrong. News and Observer: The forgery and ment case in which F. F. Dawson took the active part in Wilson, N. C., took another turn yesterday, and in place of his going free without trouble he is to be arrested and tried.

It will be remembered that some months ago, after F. F. Dawson had resigned his position as book-keeper with Messers. Hackeny Brothers, buggy manufacturers of Wilson, that it was found he had been keeping crooked accounts. Search showed that he had forged the name of the firm and had embessled funds amounting to thousands of dollars, the checks having been used in his account in a sewing machine business which he was conducting. At first it was stated that the amount

involved was about \$7,000. Later it was named at \$10,000 and now it is said it will be about \$15,000.

This was the amount named yesterday by Sheriff W. D. P. Sharp, of Wilson, who came to Raisigh, accompanied by Chief of Police J. T. Marahburne, of Wilson. These officers had learned that the whereabouts of Dawson, who has fied from Wilson, might be learned here and they came to get on his trail.

They found it and learned that he was in Columbus, Mississippi. At once they wired to the officials, asking his arrest on charge of forgery and embesslement

The next step was a requisition on the governor of Mississippi and Governor Aycock was seen. He issued this at once nd Sheriff Sharp and Chief of Police Marshburn left last night at 7:27 on the Seaboard Air Line for Columbus, where ey expect to secure their prisoner.

Dawson came to Wilson from Washing ton, N. C., where he had been the man ager of a church paper. He bought out a millinery store and added a jewelry and picture store to it. He was an active church worker and had the confidence of the people. Soon he became the confidential book-keeper for Hackney Brothers, and also ran a large sewing Diamonds, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware machine business. He is married man Diamonds, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware with a wife and one child.

Hit Him in a Tender Spot.

Fayetteville Observer: Lewis West he negro who escaped from the county terday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff Mon-aghan. Mr. Monaghan learned that be was in hiding near the A.C.L. coal schuts and went after him. The negro saw thdeputy approaching and made off. Then followed an exciting chase, covering a distance of four miles, which terminated by the deputy sending a bullet into the negro's heel, which brought him to a

A New Tune For "America." The Rhode Island State Society of the Cincinnati, through Asa Bird Garfiner, its president, offers a gold medal to the composer who shall successfully adjust an acceptable new tune to "America." The society speaks of "America" as our national anthem, though its claim to be that is not unuted. It is satisfied with the words which Dr. Smith wrote in 1832, but objects to the tune because it is the same the British use for "God Save the King" and the Germans for their "Heil dir im Siegerkranz." The late Cecil Rhodes would not have objected to it on that account, but would doubtless have held it to be providential that Americans, British and Germans used so good a tune in common. But the Rhode Island Cincinnati don't seem to care to be smalgamated Anglo-Saxons. They have the America for the Ameri-They have the America for the Americans feeling and distrust a British tune even in American company. So they have appointed a committee to receive and examine such tunes as may be offered for alliance with "America," and if they get a good one they propose a Rhode Island divorce which shall separate Dr. Smith's words from their present mate and then a remarriage to the new one. The divorce proceedings may not be respected outside of the court that grants them, but at least there is a chance for some one to write a good tune and get a good gold medal.—Harper's Weekly.

North Carolina Croplikeport. The first of the monthly crop reports ested by the State Department of Agriculture has just made its appearance. It

General condition and progress of farm work compared with the average, 98 per

Land that has been, or will be, planted in cotton compared with last year, 89

Planted in tobacco, 107 per cent. Planted in corn, 106 per cent. Planted in oats, 90 per cent. Condition of cats, 80 per cent. Condition of wheat, 68 per cent.

Number of horses compared with las year, 97 per cent.

Number of mules compared with las year, 98 per cent. Number of cattle compared with last

ear, 89 per cent. Number of hogs compared with last

year, 84 per cent. Condition of the trucking interests compared with last year, 95 per cent. Commissioner Patterson says there are

many complaints of scarcity of labor.

May 30. The rain Sunday ended the nine weeks

Tobacco is looking well since the rain Cut worms are doing lots of damage to the tobacco in this section. Mr. and Mrs. James May, Mr Van May and daughter Miss Minnis, attended the closing exercises of Seven Springs High

Miss Annie Lou Sutton, who has been attending school at LaGrange, came home Friday.

Slate Mining.

State is got out of the ground by means of blasting, holes being bored into it with steam drills. With derricks and hoisting chains the rough slabs are lifted to the edge of the quarry, and then they are rolled upon trucks to the shanty of the "splitter."

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## Purely Personal

Items About People Who Come and Go

Mr. G. P. Fleming went to Wilson to

Mr. S. H. Isler, jr., spent Sunday in

Mr. R. M. Harper, of LaGrange, was

here today. Little Miss Alice Hines spent the day at LaGrange.

Mr. J. W. Williams returned Saturday night from Weldon.

Dr. J. M. Hodges, of LaGrange, was in Kinston today. Mr. Sam Wooten, of LaGrange, was i

Kinston today. Mr. Barid Brooks went to Greenvil's

this morning. Mr. E. M. Land returned this morning from Rocky Mount.

Mr. Lovit Hines returned Saturday from Philadelphia

Mr. J. L. Smith returned Saturday light from Norfolk, Va. Mr. J. L. Harward left this morning

for Raleigh and Chapel Hill. Mrs. J. N. Bryant, of Berkley, Va., came Saturday to visit relatives.

Mr. A. R. Chamberlain returned Satur day from Seven Springs.

Mr. John A. Clark of Wilson came Sunday to spend a day or so in Kinston. Mr. W. H. Cox went to Greenville this morning. He will return this evening. Mr. W. R. and Miss Nona Benton went to Greenville this morning to spend

Messre. Adolph Einstein and Eli Ost tinger returned from Goldsboro

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A BOY IN SPRINGTIME.

Doggone it, I wish they hadn't found her till after the baseball season!"--Chicago Record-Herald. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Mr. Ellas Carr Carraway returned 22222222222222222222222 sturday from attending school at A. & M. College.

Mr. John Ashford of Wilson after mak ng a short visit to relatives, returned

Mr. J. H. Sawyer of Merritt who bad been visiting Rev. J. Alford, went to Ayden this morning.

Miss Stella Arthur of Morehead who had been visiting Miss Lula Sugge remed home Saturday. Mr. C. T. Rogers came Saturday night

om Greenville and left this morning for se county to visit friends. Mr. E. W. Johnson came Saturday the from Greenville to spend a lew days

Mr. J. H. Brown of Staunton, Va. came Saturday to spend several days visiting here, his former home.

Mrs. W. C. Mayo and daughter, Miss Minnle, of Wilson, who had been visiting

relatives, returned home today. Misses Kathleen and Sudie Wooten of business, No. 106 South Queen Street, the finest selection of of Coahoma who had been visiting at

Diamonds, Jewelry, Watches and Silverware that was ever before Mr. J. T. Quartermus of Greenville offered the public. Having purchased this stock at a big sacrifice I who had been spending a few days in will therefore offer these goods for sale to the HIGHEST AND BEST

Kinston returned home this morning. Mrs. Mary Price of Glenne Falls, S. C., who had been visiting his sister, Mrs. W. B. Jones, left this morning for her makes; Genuine Diamonds in great variety; Rogers and other leading home

Mrs. W. G. Johnson and children left ble morning to visit at Danville, Va. Mr Johnson accompanied them to Golds-

Dr. R. H. Lewis left this morning to attend commencement exercises at the State University. Fifty years ago Dr. Lewis graduated at this institution.

An Up to Date Reporter.

When Senator Depew was in Charles-ton at the opening of the South Carolina exposition, he was interviewed by City Editor Marshall of The News and Courier. The conversation turned to making of newspapers.

"It takes New York reporters to over-ome obstacles that fate throws in the way of getting news," said Mr. Depew. "Oh, I don't know," said Mr. Marshall. "I have one or two spry fellows on my staff There is Smith, who got a man hanged an hour in advance of he time set by the court"-

"What's that?" demanded Mr. De

"Why, I sent him over to the islands to get the report of a hanging. When he got there, he found the man was to be hanged at 6 o'clock in the morning. We must have the facts by 5 to ge them into our morning paper. So he saked the sheriff to hang the man an ir earlier. The sheriff consulted the soner about it.

"'Well,' said the prisoner, 'I calcu-late I got to swing anyway. If I had some whisky and tobacco now I wouldn't mind being hung an hour or so sooner to accommodate you."
"Smith got the whisky and tobacco,

tuan was strong up two bours be-the time, and our office got the my in time to get out an extra."

## **PATRONS**

As was announced when the business of THE FREE Parss was turned over to the Kinston Publishing company on May 1, the company pro-loses to pay all its bils at the end of each mouth and desires all patrons in afver-tising and printing to settle heir accounts at the same

THE FREE PRESS has dist tributed a good deal of cast around town during the month, every purchase being quest that our mouthly bills our patrons, as thus far with the new company it has been all oatgo and very little in-

Messrs W. R. Perry and U. r. Koonce are authorized collectors, and patrons are notified that in dealing with them they are dealing directly with the company. with the company.

To Melt Iron. The heat of a common coal fire is 1,140 degrees, but it takes 3,479 degrees to melt iron.

Substitute For Eggs.

When eggs are scarce, put away at night a teacup of mashed potatoes in which has been strained a tablespoonful of sugar and mix it in the corn cake batter next morning. You will find the cakes light and sweet.

A Poisonous Wax.

Wax is a substance secreted by the bee and is analogous to the fat of the higher animals. The wax of a species of bee common in Patagonia, Tierra del Fuego and other parts of southern South America and the adjacent islands is a dark blue in color and is said to be more poisonous than arsenic.

A Hard Wood.

In Vienna they have a single word or an occurrence very common with them in winter, the bursting of a water pipe. This is the word: "Hochquel-lenwasserileferungarobrenfatalitaton."

Pomegranate Wood. Pomegraunte wood is the heaviest nown. A cubic foot weighs eightyfour and three-quarter pounds.

A Thoughtless nemerk.

"What do you think of a man who would whip his wife?"
"Well," said Mr. Meekton absent mindedly, "I should say that he was a eighty mean man and a pretty nervy ighter."—Washington Star.

"Here, Johnny," said the proud mother, "you may have one of the first crullers I ever baked."
"And be careful, Johnny," added the father, "not to let it fall on your toes."

Too Mach Water.

Little Toumy when told that he was growing fast unswered:

"Yea too fast. I think they water the too much. Why, I have to take a bath every morning?"

### FRESH FACTS IN A FEW LINES

Iten's of Interest for Male and Female

A Great Artist's Method. Mortimer Menpes in his notable work on Japan tells a story of the great Japanese artist Klyosai which was related to him by an English resident of the country: "A friend of his had prepared four magnificent sliding panels covered with the finest silk and had given them to the painter, with the request that he would execute some of his masterpieces on them for him. For eight or nine years Klyosal had kept those panels, and they still remained bare, but great masters are always erratic, and the would be purchaser never gave up hope. One day, however, he burst in upon my friend with the terrible intelligence that Klyosal was dead drunk and had ruined his panels. 'He's smashing

away at them on the floor, and he is simply crawling over them.' he said, in a towering rage. My friend agreed to go around with him to Klyosal's house to try if possible to stop the outrage. When they arrived, they found the master in a high state of fever and looking more like a wild animal than a human being, with his tusklike teeth and his poor, pitted face, sweeping and hacking about all over the silken panels. As they entered Kiyosni left the room, leaving behind him the panels scattered irregularly over the floor, but each one smothered with work. Look here, said my friend very genero'lt was I who introduced Klyose you, and it was I who suggested his Disting these doors; therefore it is thenly fair that I should relieve you of them and find you a new set, which I will willingly do.' But the owner of the panels, shrewdly guessing that my friend had not made this magnificent offer without some good reason, c ed his mind and said that he could on no account receive so costly a gift. He kept them, and wisely, too, for those four panels are now universally co ered as some of Kiyosal's greatest a terpieces."

Held Court In the Smoker. A writer in the New York Trib tells of an unusual event which o red in a passenger train in the Creek Indian Nation a few years ago, A certain United States commiss anxious to clear his docket before another session of the federal court. He dld not live in the town where his court was situated and made the trip there at intervals of two weeks. Co back from court one night he met on the train attorneys for each party in a felony case. The accused and witnesses were present. It was fortunate, indeed, that the prosecutor was along; not uncommon, however, for all lived in the same town up the road fifty miles. The astute judge saw how he was to be rid of that case in a hurry, so he convened court in the front pa of the smoking car, installed the brak man and conductor as balliff's, and the case proceeded. Arriving at his station, the train was held five minutes to complete the pleas and rendition of decision. It happened that the man was convicted, his sentence there pronounced, and the same train that took him a free man carried him on to prison condemned, his keeper being a deputy delegated to take him to prison.

Reed and the Pocket Camera. Public men differ strangely when the printing of their portraits is proposed. Chauncey M. Depew never objects sitting for a new picture. James J. Hill hasn't had a photograph taken since early in the nineties, but the one from which the newspapers make their re-productions is an excellent likeness. Ex-Speaker Reed doesn't object to the publication of his picture, but he protests vigorously against the snapsh Once an interviewer who had an appointment with him ventured to take a pocket camera into the then czar's presence. Reed was immediately indig-

"Take that devil's box away." he cried, "or else call the appointment

A Lincoln Joke.

President Lincoln. Secretary Chase and Attorney General Bates were one day going out from Washington to Tennallytown to see General McClellan review the Pennsylvania reserves, when some one commented on the fact that Bates' hair had retained its origi-nal dark color in perfect freshness while his beard was almost white. When asked, Mr. Bates said he knew no especial reason for it. But Lincols exclaimed laughingly: "Why, don't you know? It's because he uses his chir more than he does his head."

Rendy to Yield.