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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

State Crop Bulletin Says Heavy Rain is Badly Needed.

Importance of Thorough Cultivation of the Soil—Cotton is Generally Doing Fairly Well Thus Far, and Corn is Holding its Own—Worms Murdered in Cornfield and Mob After Supposed Murderer.

The weekly crop bulletin issued by the North Carolina section of the Climate and Crop Service, United States Department of Agriculture, says for the week ending June 9th:

The diminished progress in the growth of vegetation, the dying of young, not well-rooted plants, the hardened condition of the soil, afford accumulating evidence of the increasing severity of the drought now prevailing in North Carolina. Although showers occurred during the past week in several sections which were very beneficial, they were entirely local in character; in most places the week was extremely dry, and a large majority of crop reports indicate that without a general rain soon the heretofore excellent condition of crops will be materially changed for the worse. The temperature this week was somewhat above the reasonable average, but rather low at night; the amount of sunshine was abundant. The condition of crops as regards the state of cultivation and freedom from weeds continues exceptionally good, but if weeds and grass cannot grow on account of drought neither can the crops. The fact must not be lost sight of however, that a thorough cultivation of the surface soil conserves the moisture beneath for the use of crops.

Cotton, on the whole, has not suffered seriously from drought and has to some extent recovered from the effects of very cool nights last week; this statement applies to early planted, which has made good growth; on the other hand, much late planted has not come up, or where up the tender plants have been killed by drought; stands of cotton have become less satisfactory than heretofore reported. A few reports of lice on cotton have been received. The earliest cotton blooms appeared in the south portion on June 4th. Corn, while needing rain badly, is holding its own fairly well; winter wheat takes place during the warmest portion of the day, but the plants recover at night; hilling or laying by has begun in a few places. Tobacco is suffering from drought quite seriously, as the dry weather has prevented plants from making a good start in growth; stands are bad; many plants remain in the beds which may be set out when season permits. Rice in the lower Cape Fear districts is in fine condition. The cutting of winter wheat and rye has begun on a small scale, and harvest will become general next week; while wheat has headed so low that some of it cannot be cut, and is very thin on the land, quite a large number of reports indicate that the heads are well filled, and may give a better yield than anticipated. Spring oats have suffered very much from drought, and are also heading low. Pastures on uplands are falling rapidly; some farmers are sowing cowpeas for forage. Peaches are ripening in eastern districts; also blackberries and huckleberries, of which there will be a large crop. Other fruits have continued to fall so long that the general prospect for fruit is less favorable than was the case earlier in the season.

Murdered in a Corn Field. Salisbury, June 9.—Miss Neely Benson, a young white woman who lived with her widowed mother, Mrs. Samuel F. Benson, on their farm near Mount Vernon, this county, was outraged and murdered by an unknown party or parties between 2 and 3 o'clock this afternoon. The attack upon the unfortunate woman occurred while she was hoeing corn in a piece of bottom land several hundred yards from the house. Her cries for help were heard at the house and when parties who responded reached the scene Miss Benson was found lying with her skull crushed. There is so far no clue as to her assailant or assailants. No examination of the remains had been made up to the time the information reached the city, but it appears certain that two crimes were committed.

Salisbury, N. C., June 11.—At 12:30 o'clock this morning a large crowd surrounding the jail here demanding for the possession of the two negroes, James and Harris Gillette, charged with murdering Sheriff Julian in Robeson county. Sheriff Julian has a number of men at the jail, but it is feared they will not be able to withstand

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Cupid keeps the flame of love burning on Hymen's altar in the rosy month of June.

Two more weddings were solemnized this morning, four more people have again taken the step which it is hoped will lead through paths of roses in pleasant valleys, past the stages of happy parenthood to sweet old age.

The first ceremony was performed in the Christian church at 7 o'clock, while the morning sun rays percolated through the foliage, and its golden shafts entered the open windows making glorious timoraling of the new life about to begin. The summer winds were softly sighing through the tree tops and the happy songs of the birds mingled with the soft cadence of the organ.

There is something inspiring and impressive about an early morning wedding, particularly on such a bright and glorious morning as this, and the scene was a pretty one indeed, the audience being almost entirely composed of ladies in light summer attire. What with the singing of the birds, the sighing of the zephyrs, the fresh air the bright sunlight it was an auspicious occasion and the tableau will ever be one of the brightest spots in the memory of the principals and a pleasant remembrance to every witness.

Calomel and Lemonade Fixed Him.

Goldboro, June 10.—The passing away last night of Herbert Everett, removes a figure prominent in the "cake-walks" of life. During the watermelon season the colored population in these districts give many cake-walks of high proportions, and the colored dandy so fortunate as to have Herbert Everett as a partner has been "the envy" of her sisters in black, for, as a "cakewalker," Herbert Everett was known to "take the cake." Herbert took calomel, it is said, and then loaded up on lemonade and milk shakes, death following soon after.

SHORT STATE STORIES.

Washington, June 9.—A good rain storm broke the drought all over this section Sunday. It is estimated tonight that tomorrow's potato shipment will be over three thousand barrels or over thirty car loads. An evening special takes the train out to the main line.

All the members of a family of a negro farmer named Haywood were poisoned at their home, six miles south of here. It is believed arsenic was used. Haywood is dead and his wife is nearly so. No person is suspected. Some of the food which was on the table was given to hogs, and killed quickly one old hog and several pigs.

Asheville, June 10.—H. K. Davis, (white), committed suicide here last night by shooting himself. He lived with his wife in a ten in the western part of the city and was a travelling salesman of small ware. He was under the influence of liquor yesterday afternoon and late in the evening shot himself in the head in the presence of his wife and a policeman.

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A BOY IN SPRINGTIME.



"Come on in, it's grand!" —Chicago Record-Herald.

FRESH FACTS IN A FEW LINES

Items of Interest for Male and Female

FRILLS OF FASHION.

Dust cloaks now seem indispensable to the traveling equipment of every fashionable woman.

The girlish simplicity of the Gibson waist has gained many admirers, and every possible variation of the model is in evidence among summer gowns.

Daintily flowered borders distinguish many of the new summer dress fabrics in veiling, taffeta, French muslin, plain satin foulard, batiste, challis and etamine crystalline.

Those who admire the dainty freshness of cotton gowns can adopt them this summer to their heart's content with the satisfaction of being very much in the fashion.

The linen batistes are made into very smart little gowns for midsummer wear. They are trimmed with lace in points, medallions and insertions and give a touch of becoming color at the throat and belt.

Many of the very smart unbleached linens of the summer are woven in tiny basket squares much like hopscaking, and these and the drills, mercerized plaques and drillings of fine quality are used for silk vests and trappings.—New York Post.

PEN, CHISEL AND BRUSH.

The new president of the Society of American Artists, Mr. John De-Farge, is not exhibiting anything this year.

A colossal statue in bronze, representing the late Cecil Rhodes, is in the studio of John Tweed, at Chelsea, London. It is designed for the market place at Bulawayo.

Carolyn Wells, appreciating the superior library advantages of Boston, has come thither to complete the collection of some verse upon which she has been at work this spring.

Marion Crawford has not been appointed to write the official biography of the pope, as was announced, as the Vatican holds that his florid and melodramatic style would be unsuitable for the formal record of the life of the pontiff.

Frances Guignard Gibbs, the young Washington poetess, whose recent book of poems is attracting considerable attention, was the first woman to enter the South Carolina university. She is a descendant of Robert Gibbs, a colonial governor of South Carolina.

CROWN POINTS.

Queen Helena of Italy, who is a skilled artist, has been elected a member of the Academy of St. Luke at Rome.

The sultan of Turkey and the queen of the Netherlands are said to be the only total abstainers among European sovereigns.

The king of Italy recently disposed of a portion of eighty of the horses in the royal stables, and now some Roman tradesmen are calling him a niggard.

The sultan of Turkey never reads anything but state papers and the very few laudatory articles upon himself which his diligent secretary now and then unearths in some foreign journal.

PERT PERSONALS.

Now Funston will be mad. A Philadelphia newspaper asserts that he cannot swim.—Chicago News.

Andrew Carnegie complains that he finds it hard to spend his money. Andrew should get a son-in-law.—Chicago Journal.

Wu Ting Fang has been given another office by his government. Wu seems to be the Ohio man of the Celestial empire.—Pittsburg Gazette.

It is again reported from London that William Waldorf Astor is not to be raised to the peerage after all. King Edward must be trying to bring Astor down with nervous prostration.—Chicago Record-Herald.

THE SCHOOLHOUSE.

Who knows but that the little red schoolhouse may after all be the means of reuniting all sections of the Union as they have never before been joined together?—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Pupils at the public schools learn a good many things which are superfluous, but the things which are essential they do not learn as well and thoroughly as they did a generation ago, when the old fashioned methods prevailed. That is the fault of the system, and it is a fault which it is imperative to rectify.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Little Girl Wins Honor. One day smaller after using Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight or sore shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest corn-cure of the age. Cures and prevents itching feet, blisters, sore toes and sore spots. Allen's Foot-Powder is a sure cure for itching, hot, swollen feet. At all drug stores and shoe stores, etc. Don't forget any school boys. Total package 25 cents by mail. Address Allen S. Townsend, Le Roy, N. Y.

FIND HER FATHER.



At Ping-Pong I am most alert and Pops plays no more. He says that when they hit they hit me as a bore.

FEMININE CHAT.

Dr. Adele S. Hutchinson of Minneapolis has been appointed on the Minnesota state board of medical examiners.

Miss Anna C. Mott, Lucretia Mott's niece, who lately died in Toledo, O., left \$2,500 to the Toledo Woman Suffrage association.

Miss Lucie Faure, daughter of the late Felix Faure, president of France, is about to publish a book on the Oxford movement in the Church of England.

Mrs. J. B. Haggin of New York has given to the Ashland seminary at Versailles, Ky., \$30,000 for a building to replace the dormitory burned a short time ago.

Lady Henry Somerset, president of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance union, will be a guest of the national convention at Portland, Me., in October.

Mrs. Mary Hartford Ford, who has been the translation for the edition of the luxury of the Knickerbocker, will cost \$200,000 a single set, was born in Williamsport, Pa., forty-six years ago.

Miss Helen Gould has reopened her annual sewing school for poor girls of Irvington in Lyndhurst, her country seat. More than 125 girls have joined the class, and Miss Gould has hired six experienced teachers from New York.

Miss Florence A. Fensham of Constantinople, Turkey, has had conferred upon her the title of bachelor of divinity by the Chicago Theological seminary. It is the first time in the history of the Congregational church that the title has been conferred on a woman.

Mr. Harry Robinson of Minneapolis, daughter of the multimillionaire street car magnate, Thomas Lowry, has started fashionable circles of Minneapolis by giving up her position in society to become a professional nurse. Mrs. Robinson is the wife of Harry Robinson of Chicago, proprietor of The Railway Age.

CURTAIN CALLS.

"The Strange Adventure of Amos Skeeter" is the peculiar title of a new play for next season.

Kaiser William has asked William Gillette to go to Berlin to act in "Sherlock Holmes" before him.

Jerome K. Jerome has finished a new comedy which may be used by Annie Russell next season.

Messrs. Klaw & Erlanger have secured the dramatic rights to Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn."

It is stated in New York that George Arliss will be starred by David Belasco, beginning some time next year.

Nick Long and Idaline Cotton have been flooded with offers to appear in vaudeville during the coming summer.

William Gould, now with Dan Daly in "The New Yorkers," is to star next season under George W. Lederer's management.

The success of Mrs. Ryley's "Mice and Men" has induced Mr. Forbes Robertson to abandon all present ideas of reviving "Othello."

PINFEATHERS.

Too heavy feeding and lack of exercise tend to barrenness.

Of All Hot Weather Enemies

of humanity cholera is the worst. Treatment to be effective must be prompt. When vomiting, purging and sweat announce that the disease is present, combat it with Perry Davis' Pinkettes. All bowel troubles, like cholera, cholera morbus and dysentery, by Pinkettes. It is equally health-promoting in all climates.