FIGHTING WITH FIRE

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST GRASSHOP-PERS IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.

Burning Them Out Found to Be the Most Effective Means of Destroying Pests, Which Threaten Great Damage to Vegetation.

[Special Correspondence.]

Sacramento, July 30.-Central California has been invaded by a vast army of grasshoppers which threatens with destruction the pastures, crops, orchards and vineyards of a large section of the state. The situation is most serious in El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento counties, where a systematic fight has been begun against the invaders, in which have been enlisted the services dicted for using vulgar and profane lan-of Professors Woodworth and Clarke of guage and had to pay \$3 each and costs. the State university. Various weapons are employed, but the most effective is freely and had to answer to his hono to burn out the young insects before for being drunk on the streets Sunday, they are able to fly wherever the use of \$2 and costs he was asked for. fire is practicable.

made their appearance. He says they are the locusts which appear periodically. The only way to fight them in the pasture lands is to burn them out, but in orchards and vineyards trenches and other systems may be used.

There is only slight danger from the burning of the fields when the work is properly managed, but a few acres of orchard were destroyed the first week of the campaign.

The breeding grounds of the grasshoppers in this section cover some 3,000 acres of more or less untillable rocky land which is used for pasturage and is of small value for this, renting, as itdoes, 'for 15 cents per acre annually. This pasture land is today literally swarming with young hoppers which have not yet attained wings. Fighting them with fire is not now such a difficult task, but when the myriads can take to their wings and float away on the breezes the conditions are seriously changed, and that is why the scientists have been strenuously urging the early use of fire.

There is no possibility of closely computing the numbers of the little green invaders that perish in the fires. Census figures of the locust legions within the borders of the state would reach into untold millions, into almost innumerable millions of millions.

In an effort to get at statistics of this kind Captain E. L. Hawk, a Sacramen-to owner of Placer county ranch property, made an estimate of the numbers of grasshoppers on his property. He found 300 of the insects to the foot, or about 12,000,000 to the acre. On a ranch of 600 acres at these figures, he states, there would be 7,200,000,000 of the insects. The number in a township would reach beyond calculation, and in all the threatened counties they would be as uncountable as the leaves of the trees. The amount of damage this great swarm would do if its invasion is unchecked is incalculable.

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Mayor's Court.

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Will Brown, colored, was up for breach of the peace, and being found guilty was maked to contribute to the town exchequer the sum of \$1, and costs, Elbert Albritton, colored, was up be tore his honor charged with two offenses against peace and dignity of the town, one for assaulting Nora Albritton, col-ored, and one for being riotous and disorderly, he was adjudged guilty in both cases and fined \$3 in the first and \$2 in the second.

Frank Pate and Ed Sumrell were in Robert Simmons had been imbibing too

The cases of L. D. Merritt, J. H. Haw Professor Clarke has been living kins and W. L. Mason, which were held among the grasshoppers since they held over from Saturday's court, were also disposed of. Not guilty as to Merritt, and guilty as to the other two. Hawkins and Mason appealed to the superior court. It is claimed by some that Merritt, who is principal of the col-ored graded school, is not popular with his people, and that this row is the out-come of that feeling.

Caesar Gaskins, colored, was before Mayor Webb yesterday charged with larceny of a bundle of clothes from another colored man at Mr. H. W. Cummings' store. The evidence showed that though Caesar got the clothes no intent to steal was proven as he also had some bundles on the counter, and picked this one up thinking it was his. The bundle was recovered by the owner and the prisoner was discharged.

DOVER.

August 11. Rev. Mr. Lineberry, principal of Wester-ville high school, preached in the school building Sunday and accompanied the pastor, Rev. J. B. Newton, to his home at Ft. Barnwell, to preach there Sunday

Misses Winnie Oldham of Wilson hospi-tal and Sue Wilson of Kinston spent last Thursday with relatives here. Miss Old-ham is a trained nurse and has been on professional duty at Kinston and Snow Hill. The writer was pleased to have her visit his home and to find that she whom he had not seen before since he knew her as little Winnie, two years old, has grown to be such an amiable and winning young lady.

The Goldsboro Lumber company has put in another trimmer to enable them to buy and handle other lumber besides the large output of their own sa wmill. We are glad to report that Mr. John E. Hill, who has been critically ill for several weeks with typhoid fever, and Mrs. A. B. Dixon, whose condition was very serious for a few days, are both con valuecting.

Misses Winnie Oldham of Wilson and Sue Wilson of Kinston, and Messre. Vic-cent Murray of Charleston, S. C., and Luther Oldham of Greenville, N. C., spent Sunday at Mr. Geo. B. Wilson's.

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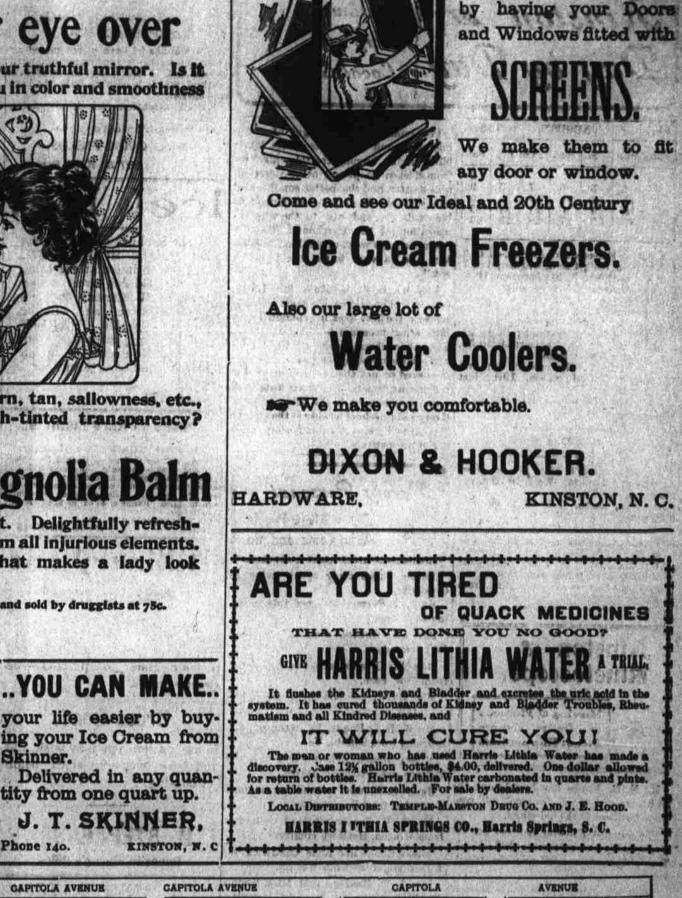
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screen in the strength rootstille in Destrie with dialenterrane. pers, the gattlemen have been persist-ent in efforts to protect their ranges, and at one place a vigilance commitand at one place a vigilance commit-tee was organized to prevent applica-tion of the match. The owners of the pasture lands assert that fully 50,000 head of stock will depend this full on the dry grass and that ruin would re-sult from a general use of fire as a means of protection against the invz-sion.

alon. In consequence of this strong stand among the owners of the foothill prop-erty comparatively small sections of the threatened counties have been burned, although the fire has been di-rected over hundroils of acres where the locusts, was found in greatest number. The hopper dosers are being und in the pasture lands, and it is con-fidently asserted, by some that this method of killing the insects will be highly effected.

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We hear that crops in this vicini hough they have suffered some fro trought, are quite promising now, the in the swamp lands of Messrs. Seth a leo. K. West and John W. Rhem bel specially fine.

"specially fine. We recently heard a lady say of a young gentleman that when he went to get a shave he forget to tell the barber that he had a moustache and let him shave his upper lip. Mrs. William Arnold had a chicken filled Sunday morning that seems to have much tenacive of life. Being hard to ca's', s e got he meg bor, Mr. A.S. Uxon, to shoot it. Mr. Dixon shot two rife balls through the chicken's head, and it then was run down, caught and its head chopped off before life was given up. This is a fact-hone of that pious brother's beer yarus. We are informed that Bev. F. W. Fer-rise of Goldaboro is expected to preach in the Prespyteriam church has a manding appendiment, to preach in the school

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