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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

A Cow That Attends to Business.

New Bern Journal: The Journal correspondent at Swansboro writes of a remarkable cow of the Jersey species that certainly deserves more than passing notice. Mr. J. M. Jones is the owner of the animal and it gives two gallons of milk at a time. The average amount for a year is two gallons daily. During the summer her milk will churn three pounds of butter, and in the winter double that quantity per week. Last spring Mr. Jones sold a two-months-old calf of this cow to Mr. Jule Mattocks of Silverdale for six dollars. He would not take \$35 for the heifer today, for she promises as good or better milk and butter record than her mother.

A Greedy Snake.

Sampson Democrat: Mr. L. B. Powell beats Dr. Holliday capturing chicken thieves. Mrs. Powell and children heard the chickens squalling last Sunday night and went out to where they were to learn the cause. They decided that something was in the chicken house after them and called for Mr. Powell to come out, who went in to search and found a chicken snake with two chickens caught, and holding both at the same time, one in his mouth and another wound up in his tail. No doubt the snake intended to first devour the one in his mouth, and then turn his attention to the one he was holding in his tail. Mr. Powell took a pitchfork and put an end to the snake, which was of large size and four and a half feet long.

Nineveh.

Nineveh, the ancient city, was 14 miles long and 8 miles wide, surrounded by a wall 100 feet high and 29 feet wide.

An Intoxicating Fruit.

The fruit of the umgano tree of South Africa yields a strong intoxicating drink for the natives. Elephants are fond of it, becoming quite tipsy, staggering about, playing antics, screaming so as to be heard for miles and having tremendous fights. When in this state, the natives leave them alone.

An Inhabited Mine.

There is a quicksilver mine in Peru 170 fathoms in circumference and 450 feet deep. In this profound abyss are streets, squares and a chapel where religious worship is held.

A Dainty Sandwich.

Mix to a paste two-thirds of Roquefort cheese and one-third butter. Season the mixture palatably with tabasco sauce and spread it between thin slices of white or rye bread or between two saltine wafers. Serve with a salad made of lettuce and tomatoes mixed.

Welsh Elsteddfod.

The biggest open air concert in the world is the Welsh Elsteddfod, which is attended yearly by 20,000 to 30,000 people.

Memory.

Scientists have discovered that the memory is stronger in summer than in winter. Among the worst foes of the memory are too much food, too much physical exercise and, strangely enough, too much education.

When Babies Walk.

Experiments upon 1,220 children show that 55 per cent began to walk under the age of twenty-four months, a little over half under eighteen months, one-third under twelve months and 10 per cent under ten months. Three babies out of the whole number began to walk under eight months.

Tomatoes and Moonlight.

Tomatoes are said to ripen best by the light of the moon.

Islands of Maine.

It takes a year to visit the islands of Maine if one is visited every day. There are just 365 of them if a mistake has not been made in the count.

Lavatory Pipes.

Lavatory pipes may be cleaned of soap and slime by placing a good handful of common salt in the bottom of the basin over night. The salt will gradually melt, and the first flush of water in the morning will clear the pipe.

Maple Syrup.

The maple sugar season lasts only five or six weeks, but it yields American farmers over \$1,000,000 a year.

A Cooking Hint.

The eggs for dipping oysters, croquettes, veal cutlets, etc., may be diluted with a little water or oyster juice and thus made to go farther. If water is used, the egg may be set away and used again, but not so with the oyster juice as it decomposes.

CURTAIN CALLS.

Fay Templeton is once more a member of the Weber & Fields forces. Grace Cahill will be Robert Mantell's leading woman the coming season.

Evelyn Stanford has joined "The Rogers Brothers in Harvard" company.

Thomas W. Broadhurst is to make an elaborate production of "The Black Hand."

William H. Gillette's season in "Sherlock Holmes" will not begin until early in November.

Nance O'Neil is in London rehearsing for her opening at the Adelphi. She will be first as Magda.

John Savage, who was for many seasons a member of Denman Thompson's company, has deserted the stage for business.

Louis Evans Shipman, author of "D'Arcy of the Guards," will be the personal representative of Winston Churchill next season.

AUTOMOBILES.

Now that automobiles have got to killing their aristocratic riders instead of the poor fellows walking on the highway gay Newport has commenced to legislate against their murderous speed.—Richmond Times.

All talk concerning the passing of the horseless carriage fad is, of course, more or less speculative. The automobile has come to stay just as the locomotive and the steamboat came to stay years ago. It will be improved until it can be used in all lines of business.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

The reckless drivers of automobiles are making history as rapidly as they run their vehicles. Scarcely a day passes that the automobile does not figure in the news, generally as the cause of fatal or other accidents. Occasional arrests are made of their owners for fast driving, but the small fines imposed have no effect in restraining them.—Philadelphia Ledger.

PINFEATHERS.

So long as a good variety of food can be supplied the fowls will usually need very little stimulants.

As a rule, early molting is not so severe a drain upon the system of the fowls as late molting.

Young fowls especially need crushed bone in some form to develop good bone, blood, flesh and feathers.

It is a good plan to have two sets of roosting poles for hens and change them every week, setting them outside when not in use.

In their wanderings over the farm guineas destroy numerous insect enemies and weed seeds and do little damage to crops by scratching or eating.

The roosts in the poultry house should be about two feet high, or else arrangements made to keep the hens from having to jump from a higher perch.

INITIALS ON GARMENTS.

During the eleventh century a fashion of embroidering the initials of the name and the family arms on the garments began in Italy and from that country spread all over Europe.

RIVERS AND RAIS.

The rivers of England carry away about nine gallons out of every sixteen gallons of rain that fall on the land.

Lumpy Ice Cream.

Lumpy ice cream is usually the result of turning the freezer rapidly at the start. The correct method is that of turning slowly at first and more and more rapidly as the freezing goes on.

GOING TO BE A BIG SUCCESS

THE LIBRARY LANTERN CARNIVAL

Children Are Drilling Every Day, but More are Wanted.

Kinston Business Men are Heartily Encouraging it and Foreign Advertisers are Patronizing it Liberally—Some of the Promised Novelties Described—Unique Ideas in Advertising.

It is very gratifying to see how much interest the citizens of Kinston are taking in the carnival of lanterns, which is being prepared for the benefit of the library. Our people certainly have the cooperative spirit and they take hold with right good will whenever they are asked to help a public enterprise. Even when they do not think an affair of this kind is going to be a personal benefit they will subscribe to help others or to encourage those who are doing the work.

There is a disposition to help manifested on all sides, and I do hope everybody will feel repaid for his or her efforts when the results are seen. The children are getting all the fun out of it that can be desired and if those who enjoy little people could hear their lively discussions and lucid (?) explanations of their own parts it would be very amusing.

Yesterday a letter was received from Heinz & Co., offering to pay twenty dollars if our Brownies would advertise their pickles, and now that this offer has been accepted our Brownies must do their best, and I hope their mothers will encourage them to be present at every rehearsal. They must try to be the very best on the stage and they will have to work hard if they do any better than the Fairies who are engaged to advertise the professional men. I am sure there is not any professional man too dignified to be advertised by the Fairies, because these little people are next to the angels and I hope the professions will appreciate the compliment.

If the plowmen do not break their necks before the carnival I am sure the National Biscuit company will give a living advertisement of their famous ginger snaps. These boys are smart enough to do anything.

Knott's Indians stop the war who p long enough to practice sometimes, but if the tomahawks were plentiful among them the slain would soon put an end to the drills; some one suggested that a knife should be offered as a prize for this drill, but I beg that an article less appropriate to the savage be given instead. These are good (?) Indians.

The girls who advertise Einstein will display the Red White and Blue and I am sure they will do their best for Einstein Bros., for they certainly deserve the best efforts of those who are to represent them. They give cheerfully and freely to all good causes.

Oettinger Bros. are to be advertised by girls from Japan, who have their hearts in the work, and they will see that this popular firm is as well represented in this as they are in everything else in Kinston.

Mr. S. H. Loftin will have a drill of young ladies to dress in Empire style and represent Queen Louise and advertise the Queen Quality shoes. Some of the prettiest and very best girls in Kinston will undertake this advertisement, and one of



JOHN C. OSGOOD.

Mr. Osgood is the young financier who recently looked horns with John W. Gates in a great contest for the control of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company. Thus far Osgood has succeeded in preventing Gates from securing control of the company.

THE WRITERS.

Miss Braddon, the novelist, divides her affections equally among books, old china and dogs.

Joaquin Miller says that Bret Harte was always disgusted with his "Heathen Chinee" and always begged his friends never to mention it.

Dorothy Dix, who is known in real life as Mrs. Elizabeth Meriwether Gilmer, is a southern woman who has won a remarkable journalistic success in New York.

Rudyard Kipling, who has been much annoyed by the visits of Brighton excursionists to his house at Rottingdean, has purchased a new country place near Tunbridge Wells.

George Moore's literary work is performed with a regularity that is surprising. He writes every morning from 10 until 12 and again every evening for two or three hours. He said the other day that no one should write unless he felt like writing, but that the mood could be easily mastered and ordered at will.

Secretary Shaw is eccentric in some things. One of his new rules is that letters to his department shall be answered promptly.—Detroit Tribune.

One by one our dearest delusions are snatched from us by the iron hand of fate. Generals De Wet and Botha wear silk hats and frock coats.—Baltimore American.

J. P. Morgan, who gives no "tips," says he cannot afford to. This explains why he rides in his private car instead of in a Pullman. It's cheaper.—Boston Herald.

Mr. Schwab, president of the steel trust, is to take a rest. It should have been plain that the drawing of so large a salary would make any man tired.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

TRUST THRUSTS.

Some day the water will leak out of a few trusts, and then the country will be wondering why the government cannot prevent financial panics.—Detroit Free Press.

The virtuous indignation of one of the trusts over an attempt to waylay it in court would be more affecting if the trusts were not in the highway business themselves.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Trusts go on forming. One might as well try to stop the operations of the law of gravitation as to stop the economical and industrial evolution, but some direction or control is daily becoming more imperative.—Indianapolis News.

STATE LINES.

Between blizzards and "blizzards" Kansas must hold pretty nearly the thermometric record for this country.—Philadelphia Ledger.

More oil in Texas. That gigantic state is in danger of floating off some morning on a wave of petroleum and prosperity.—Brooklyn Eagle.

This year, in Kansas at least, it is not simply columns of corn, but forests of corn, and Missouri is not far behind her sister in the forest business.—St. Louis Star.

The scale of the human voice, from lowest bass to highest soprano, is four octaves. The average voice has only twelve notes.

A Wonderful Statue. A wonderful statue adorns a public square in Yokohama. It is a seated image of the god Diabuta, and its height is 63 1/2 feet. The total weight of this great statue is 450 tons, 500 pounds of which are pure gold.

TIMELY TOPICS TERSELY TREATED

Short Local Stories, Editorial Notes.

There is no power on earth to compare with woman's power for either good or evil.

No matter how ugly a baby is you can't offend the mother by saying it looks like her.

A man is either old, or married, if he doesn't know the name of every pretty girl in his town.

A man can drive a horse better than a woman, but a woman can drive a man better than a horse.

The difference between a lover and a husband is that a lover pays compliments and a husband pays bills.

Somebody ought to take up the matter of public parks. This is a crucial period for Kinston. There is every indication that the wonderful growth of the past two years will be more than duplicated in the coming two years. There is no doubt, judging from present appearances, that Kinston will be a city of no small dimensions ten years hence. Shall it be a parkless city?

It is well laid out, with broad streets and embury boulevards. It abounds in handsome residences surrounded by grounds which may be made highly attractive. It has the nucleus of a beautiful city. But to be perfect it must have parks. Circumstances or fate has reserved an ideal site in the heart of the present city. Shall it be preserved for the future greater Kinston?

The Webb lot and the Tiffany West lot form this ideal site. There is no other section of the city if denuded of buildings that would be so applicable for use as a public park as these two combined. The Webb lot is already well shaded and would make a beautiful botanical garden, while the West lot would make an admirable playground for the children, provided with ball ground, tennis courts, croquet lawns and athletic frames. How it would be appreciated, even now, and how much more when the city has grown so that it is out of ordinary walking distance to get out of the crowded sections!

The old school site should also be preserved and added to for another public park.

Now is the time to begin. As the boy grows we buy him larger garments and provide him with things in keeping with increased size and mature years.

Why not the same principle for the growing city?

The park sites should be reserved even if they are not improved just now. It is easy. Ten thousand dollars will pay for all the land mentioned and leave a little over for improvements.

Suppose they were made twenty year bonds, the first falling due five or ten years hence. The present generation would have only the interest to pay while enjoying the luxury and benefits of the parks and the rising generation could enjoy them while rising and help pay for them when grown up. What man could grudge paying his share with ten years of daily use and pleasure to look back upon.

Yes, somebody ought to take up the matter of public parks. Timely Topics suggests that the proper persons to take it up are the members of the Chamber of Commerce committee on internal improvements. Do we hear a second?

JASON.
September 8.
A welcome rain last night.

Mr. Add Phelps spent Monday night and Tuesday in Goldsboro. He says tobacco is not selling well there now owing to the rush of much ungraded in this part.

Miss Belle Rose who has been here visiting Lena Phelps for the past two weeks, left Monday for Goldsboro.

Messrs. John and Herman Parker spent Saturday night with her uncle, Mr. B. H. Hardy and left Sunday evening for their home near Olin, accompanied by their cousin, Miss Helene Hardy and Aggie Sutton.

Mr. Henry Sutton entered the D. K. S. Monday. We are glad that some of our young men have decided to go there to school, rather than go far away.

About fifteen young people gave Miss Helene Hardy a surprise Saturday night, by rushing unannounced in her presence. She gave them (as they knew she would) a cordial welcome and pleasantly entertained them until 10:30. Then they left "farewell" and left saying that they never had spent a more pleasant evening.

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