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Pertinent Comment on Farming in McDowell.

(Continued from first page.)

say there are apple trees all over this section at least one half century old that show no indications of ever having a limb or twig taken from them. Why not cut and split wood enough to run us a whole year, so that when we come in tired and hot next June and July we will not have to stand and chop wood for an hour each day, or have our wives to do their own chopping.

One other thought and I am done. Just suppose that we were to put in ten hours per day for five or six years as we have to do on public works? Would it not be a different looking county and almost double in value at the close of the fifth or sixth year? What do you think about it Dr. Cook? Please let us hear from you.

E. R. B.

"Street Boys."

Under the caption "Street Boys," Editor Archibald Johnson has an excellent editorial in last week's Charity and Children. It contains so much truth and valuable advice, especially for parents that we give it here in full:

"One reason why country boys out strip those from our towns in the battle of life may be found in the fact that the former have no streets to roam under cover of darkness. Instead of picking up all sorts of devilment from men of the baser sort, they are at home with their parents and at a reasonable hour they go to bed and rise with the dawning of the day. The carelessness of many parents about keeping their children under their watchcare at the most perilous period of the twenty-four hours, is amazing. It is between the hours of nine and twelve that the sober wishes of innocent boys oft learn to stray. Parents too often yield to the clamor of their children for liberty, and fear that they are depriving them of their natural rights by confining them at home after supper. Their mistake is monumental, and it is often discovered too late. If the small-pox or scarlet fever were in town no parent would hesitate to quarantine the children of the household till the danger was over past; and yet they allow them night after night to breathe atmosphere laden with moral malaria, and which is far more dangerous and deadly than small pox and scarlet fever. We are always sorry for a child who is allowed to hang around a pool room. He is worse off than an orphan, for the orphan may get into an orphanage where pool rooms, cigarettes and other poisonous things are strictly prohibited. Sometimes parents make the mistake of allowing their boys to secure employment that brings them in contact with evil influences. The managers of our Reformatory will tell you that many a boy finds his way there because he is too weak to resist the temptations that his own father and mother throw in his pathway. Keep your boy at home, friend, if you want to make a man of him; men cannot be made from street walkers. The mother's apron string is the strongest tie that can bind the youth of tender years to truth and honor.

Mrs. Kate Hall says: "I have kept house 15 years, am the mother of four children, and I would not keep house without Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea." Wise woman, why? Drives away sickness, brings health and happiness to the whole family. It's the world's health preserver. J. W. Streetman.

UNCLE SAM'S FISH STORY.

Fishin' fer railroad rebaters, Bill. Yesterday down by the govamint mill; Caught a whole passel uv little ones, 'bout Long ez yer finger—the big uns got out! Fishin' fer fellers that fish financier, Fum Maine down ter Texas, the hull uv last year. Caught some small minnows—the big fellers skunk. Ont uv my net 'fore I collared a one!

Fishin' fer onlawful Trusts tother day; All the sockdollars scuttled erway. Caught some nice leetle ones; mighty dad-blame Frisky them fellers is gettin', and game! Baited fer land-grabbers not long ergo; Big fellers swallered ther bait, don't ye know. An' then bit the line an' swum off; only two Teeny young thieves wuz the best I could do!

Fishin' fer Sugar Trust criminals, now; Same old fish story ter tell ye, somehow. Seen some nice big uns, ther would a-been fine: Jest ez I hooked 'em they busted the line!

Doings at Estatoe.

Estatoe, Feb. 21.—Mr. Editor, I have been in trouble at my house. My wife has had a serious attack of pneumonia fever but glad to report her some better. —Wess Simmons has pneumonia and typhoid. R. J. Bailey's are about all down with pneumonia.—Dr. J. B. Ervin, of Boonford, has been very busy around Estatoe the last two weeks.—We had a 12-inch snow last week.—The ground hogs came out and all froze to death and we can't tell whether we will have an early spring or not.—Ed Woody has lost a hound dog. Charles and Ed left here Sunday on the hunt of the dog.—Uncle Tom Buchanan is moving his saw mill to Bear creek where he expects to cut a million cross ties in the next two weeks.—The writer was sitting up the other night waiting on the sick folks and went to sleep and the chair turned over and killed a cat and crippled a shepherd dog.—The weather has been so bad up here we could not get wood.—The wind was so cold it would take the edge off of a razor. Nobody hasn't shaved up here for six weeks.—People are living very easy up here; cross ties brings bread.

Marion Hoppia will in the near future build a fine dwelling house on his newly purchased farm. Some people are making some efforts for farming. George Burleson sold his wagon for an Oliver chile plough—Joe Sparks' new boiler and engine works fine.—The mud is about 36 inches deep now; hope it wont get over 48. S. S.

May Return to Marion.

Canon City, Colo.,
February 11, 1910.

Editor Progress:

Dear Sir—I received from a friend the other day a few copies of THE MARION PROGRESS, and I read with interest all the items from the different places in the county. I was raised in McDowell, have been away for 18 years but I think your paper will cause me to come to McDowell again. Inclosed find 50 cents for six months subscription.

Yours Respectfully,
J. T. Norton.

It expels all poisons, stimulates the internal organs, cleans the system and purifies the blood. Such is Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, the most effective preventive and cure of bad blood, constipation and sluggish liver. J. W. Streetman.

John R. Early, formerly of North Carolina, whom the health authorities at Washington and many physicians have branded as a leper, is destitute in New York city with no means of supporting his wife and two children. Dr. L. Duncan Bulkley, of the New York Skin and Cancer Hospital, who insists that Early is not a leper, has made an appeal to the public in his behalf. Early cannot obtain employment and is ostracised because he is believed to have leprosy.

Mr. London writes: "If I owned your T-s, I would guarantee a cure or refund the money. I say it's Nature cure and the only one for the blood." Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea cured him where other remedies failed. Try it with yourself. J. W. Streetman.

IMPORTANT CHANGES OF CLINCHFIELD COAL CORPORATION.

Charlotte and Atlanta Offices To Be Closed and Main Office Moved to Spartanburg.

Announcement has just been made of the reorganization of the selling agency of the Clinchfield Coal Corporation and the transfer of the general offices from Dante, Va., to Spartanburg, S. C., where headquarters in the future will be maintained. Along with this announcement goes the statement that the district sales agencies at Charlotte and at Atlanta, Ga., will be merged and moved also to Spartanburg where all forces will be under the supervision of Mr. J. S. Evans, general manager of the newly formed corporation, known as the Clinchfield, Atlantic Fuel Company, the concern that will have entire and absolute control of the product of the mines of the Clinchfield Coal Corporation. A charter has been applied for and the necessary papers for the institution of the Clinchfield Atlantic Fuel Company will be available within the next day or two. These changes are effective March 1.

The entire product of the Clinchfield mines, which are located in and about Dante, Va., in the famous Clinch coal districts, will be sold through the Spartanburg office. The mines are producing now something like 2,000,000 tons annually but new shafts are being sunk and new openings made which are increasing the output every month.

Spartanburg was chosen for the site of these offices for the reason that it was the geographical center of the field and on the line of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio road which was built for the primary purpose of getting this product to market. The great double-header coal trains at no distant date will be seen whirling into Spartanburg en route either to Charleston, the exporting point, or to other places over the Southern district.

A dispatch from Bluefield, W. Va., says the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio railway has finished its Clinch river bridge and ran trains over the Dumps creek extension. The road will take this route to Elkhorn, Ky., from which point it will go to Ashland, Ky. It is also understood that orders are expected daily for work on the extension to Charleston, S. C. The road now reaches Spartanburg, S. C.

Many a nut is not what it was cracked up to be.

The Colds that Hang on Are readily cured by Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It relieves the cold and stops the cough. There is only one genuine.

REMEMBER

THAT MARCH 10th

is Seed Corn Day in MARION.

Don't miss it, Mr. Farmer.

Come and bring your neighbor.

Bring the boys, too. The Boys Corn Contest

proposition will interest them.

Bridgewater and Muddy Creek News.

Bridgewater, Feb. 25.—Vance Hunter left Monday for Oklahoma City, Okla. Jay Ballou was in Asheville last week on business.

M. F. Tate spent Tuesday with his daughter, Miss Carrie, who is at Rutherfordton College.

S. P. Tate and daughter, Miss Finkie, spent Wednesday in Marion. Mrs. James Blackburn and children returned to their home in Marion Monday after spending a month here with their grandfather, D. R. Brown.

Sam Blackburn, of Marion, spent a few days on Muddy Creek last week.

Eck Abernathy, of Hickory, spent Sunday at Bridgewater on "important" business.

Mrs. Jane Gibbs, who spent the winter with her son, Cal Gibbs, in Knoxville, Tenn., has returned to her home here.

G. C. Anthony has moved into his new home near Bridgewater.

Mrs. Will Hemphill has returned to her home here after a two months visit to her daughter, Mrs. Ed Gear, of Rutherfordton.

Mrs. A. P. Hunter, who has been sick for sometime here, went to Grace Hospital, at Morganton, Monday.

A. A. Tate, of Marion, was in Bridgewater last week on business.

Mike Haskins, of Nebo, has moved to J. W. Ballou's farm near Bridgewater. Robert Seals spent Sunday in Morganton as the guest of Miss Donnie Cobb.

Mrs. C. D. Hemphill spent last week with her mother at Linville.

What has become of our poet D. W. Crawford? Would like to see one of his poems in THE PROGRESS every week.

Married, by Rev. John Sisk, at Bridgewater Feb. 18, Miss Beulah Morgan to Mr. Herbert Queen.

Elmina, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jarrette, has been quite sick for the last few days.

Mr. Stine, the superintendent of the factory at Bridgewater, has moved his family here.

Miss Lula Kincaid spent Sunday here. Dallas Rowe is very sick with pneumonia. Dr. Shank of Glenwood is attending him. Mrs. A. E. Rowe is also quite sick with erysipelas on her face.

A. S. Abernathy have had a telephone put in their store at Bridgewater. We now feel like we are in touch with the outside world.

Mrs. J. R. Rust gave a birthday dinner Sunday, Feb. 20th, in honor of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Sallie Rust, or "Grandma Rust" as she is generally known. Sunday was Grandma Rust's eighty-ninth birthday. She is remarkably strong for one of her age and she always enjoys company. The guests assembled at ten a. m. The morning was spent very pleasantly. At one o'clock they were invited to the dining room and all enjoyed a delicious dinner which had been prepared by Mrs. J. R. Rust and other loving friends and relatives.

After dinner a short but interesting sermon was preached by Rev. D. Munroe, of Morganton. There had not been such a gathering of old friends in the neighborhood for years and only those who were there know how it was enjoyed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rust, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hemphill, Mrs. J. L. Gibbs, Mrs. Jane Gibbs, Mrs. Cinda Anthony, Mrs. Lail of Connelly Springs, Mrs. P. F. Simmons, of Morganton; Max Lounnan, Rev. D. Munroe and Dr. Riddle, of Morganton and A. R. Buffalo, of Marion.

Mrs. Cinda Anthony is very sick at her home south of Bridgewater. JACK AND JILL.

The Perverse Comma.

That curious and now stereotyped blunder of punctuation which gives us "God rest you, merry gentlemen," as an inferior substitute for the quaint old greeting, "God rest you merry, gentlemen," turns up regularly every Christmas. It is a pity for the ancient formula to be thus perverted since "God rest you merry" or "Rest you merry" was a recognized form of salutation in Elizabethan days and may be found in the works of Shakespeare and of many contemporary writers, while for the modernized form, which obscures the original sense of the phrase, there is, of course, no authority whatever. If any one will have the curiosity to look up the old Christmas carol which begins with the words in question he will find them correctly punctuated. —London World.

Alaskan Glaciers.

An interesting fact about Alaskan glaciers is that some are "dead" and others are "alive." Davidson glacier, which is really a tongue of the Muir glacier, has been ascended by travelers for a number of years. It is a dead glacier, having a moraine of several miles between it and the sea. Looking at it from the boat, it represents a kaleidoscopic appearance as the sun shines upon it, and the surface seems scratched with deep furrows. These are in reality deep crevasses, which must be approached cautiously, for they are lurking pitfalls for the unwary. —Vancouver Providence.

How Good News Spreads.

"I am 70 years old and travel most of the time," writes B. F. Tolson, of Elizabeth, Ky. "Everywhere I go I recommend Electric Bitters, because I owe my excellent health and vitality to them. They effect a cure every time." They never fail to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. They work wonders for weak, run-down men and women, restoring strength, vigor and health that is a daily joy. Try them. Only 50¢ satisfaction is positively guaranteed by J. W. Streetman.

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