A FOX HUNT AT NICHT.

Twenty Mounted Men, Twenty-one Dogs And a Number of Boys on Foot.

Know what a "boxed fox" is? If you get around among old hunters you will soon know. It is an able bodied fox that has been caught in a trap and then liberated for a race.

Last Saturday George W. Pritchett, at Pinehurst, sent the Record a good-sized fellow. They are plentiful down his way and it is an easy matter to trap them, a large box being used, heavily weighted and set with a "trigger," similar to a partridge trap.

Reynard got here all right, was placed in a large room so he would not grow stiff and John L. King was asked to take charge and arrange the hunt. This was done yesterday, it being decided to liberate him out about Buffalo church, three miles from town, so as to accommodate J. E. McKnight, Gus Voss and other old hunters.

The hour set to leave was 6.30 last evening, the fox having been taken out and turned loose by Mr. McKnight and Mr. Brooks about six.

When the crowd showed up at the meeting place there were twenty mounted men, twenty-one dogs, while a number of boys were on foot. The dogs were taken near the place where revnard was emptied out of his box and they were not long in getting a scent help in this good work can do so through and away they went. Of course the first the editor of THE OUTLOOK, who will be thing they encountered was a ditch in the field, across which most of the men that it is properly expended. The guests jumped their horses. Those who did not, in our village are always welcome at got left right then and there, for the pack was going right after the fox, so that the whole crowd were never all together any more until the "death," when somehow all hands seemed to get in.

Andy Brooks, mounted on his little "whackety-whack" pony, was in the lead, of course, while McKnight was not far in the rear.

The chase lasted some time, the distance traversed being four or five miles, making it, so the old heads say, the finest "box" race ever had.

Poor reynard was in unknown territory and was not sure of his ground and so it was that in twisting and turning about the dogs got him surrounded, then they closed in on him and that was the last of him. One of Mr. King's dogs caught him, from the best information obtainable from those nearest the spot. But quite a number of dogs were close by.

There were no accidents, strange to say, but some amusing things occurred. John Nelson was riding a strange mare and when the chase became lively sne ran away with him, but it was along a big road and he stuck to her. When found he was walking and leading her. J. W. Cone rode C. N. McAdoo's fine stepper and he was in the woods minus his hat part of the time, his face coming in contact with bushes, limbs, etc.

Sunday Services.

Rev. Mr. Wright of Troy, N. C., occupied the pulpit last Sabbath morning at the Christian union services and preached an able sermon. A large audience was present. These services are well attended by our villagers and efforts are being made to provide able preachers during the season.

The regular Episcopal service was held by Rev. Mr. Gregory last Sunday afternoon and a large number were in attendance. These services are held every Sabbath except the first in the month, and all are cordially invited to attend.

About twenty of our villagers visited the Jackson Hamlet colored church, about two miles from town, and listened to a sermon by Rev. Mr. Armstrong of Jonesboro. They also inspected the memorial windows, certificate of incorporation, the library and foot-pans, and were very much pleased with their visit. There are no arrangements for heating this church, and the day school that is held in the building has been discontinued during the cold weather. Efforts are now being made to build a chimney, buy a stove and make everything comfortable so that church services and Sunday school can be held every Sunday and a day school during the week. School books are also greatly needed to assist in the education of the children, and any person desiring to contribute anything to pleased to receive any money and see all the services in this church.

A weekly prayer meeting will be held in the small room in the Village Hall on Thursday evenings at 7:30 o'clock. All are welcome.

Golf Tournament.

There will be a sweep stakes handicap medal play tournament of 18 consecutive holes on Saturday, January 28, 1899. Those who wish to play will please leave their lowest score with Mr. Tucker, in order that handicapping may be decided on. The game will be played according to the rules established by the American Golf association, posted in the Golf House.

The entrance fee is twenty-five cents, which players will please pay Mr. Tucker before starting. Each player must go around with some other contestant and each keep the other's score.

A ball must be played where it lies.

EXCEPTIONS.

1. Rule 8, Medal Play.-A ball may, under penalty of two strokes, be lifted out of a difficulty and be teed behind the same.

2. A ball landing in the sand of a bunker must be lifted and dropped one club's length behind bunker, according to Rule 19.

Squire Bunnell Holds Court.

Squire Bunnell of this township held court in the Casino reading room last Tuesday. The only case on the docket was that of Anna Richardson vs. Sandy Gaines (both colored) for the support of her child. Mr. Lowry of Philadelphia appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Spinney of Boston for the defendant. The case occupied the time of the court from 10.30 a. m. to 12 m. when, at the request of the defence, the court adjourned until 3 o'clock to allow the attendance of necessary witnesses.

At the afternoon session several new witnesses gave their evidence. After brief arguments by the counsel the judge found Sandy Gaines guilty of the charge against him, and ordered him to pay a fine of \$5.00, \$30.00 for the support of the child, and costs of court, making a total amount of about \$40.00, which the defendant arranged to pay as soon as possible.

The court room was crowded with spectators throughout the trial.

Squire Bunnell was elected justice for this township at the election last November and this is the first case that has come before him since he qualified. He is to be complimented on his knowledge of the law, the spirit of fairness which characterized his decisions, and the display of a judicial mind, which we predict will elevate him to higher positions of trust by his admiring constituents.

German Whist at the Inn.

The music room of the Holly Inn presented an animated appearance last evening, the occasion being a game of German whist. No less than fourteen tables were occupied by the interested participants and there were many spectators in addition. The guests are indebted to Mrs. John W. Brookman and Mrs. Joseph S. Case of New York for inaugurating this game at the Inn, and they conducted all the arrangements in a very able manner. The game affords much variety as well as amusement and the party was voted one of the most successful that has been held in the Inn this season.

There were five prizes for the ladies and the same number for the gentlemen. Instead of giving them out in the usual manner the winners were allowed to make their own selections from the large centre table over which Mrs. Brookman and Mrs. Case presided. After nearly two hours of play, the records were counted and it was found that the highest ladies' score was made by Miss Price, who chose a silver-mounted brush. The second best score was made by Mrs. Charles A. Adams, who selected a very pretty Mexican doily. The highest gentleman's score was made by Mr. James W. Tufts, who had no hesitancy in selecting a handsome silver match-box. The second highest gentleman's score was made by Mr. F. H. Richardson, who chose a cut glass box with silver top. Other prize winners were Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Merrill, Mrs. F. H. Richardson, and Mr. George C. Dutton. The same game will doubtless be tried again in the near future. The next entertainment at the Inn will be given on Monday evening under the direction of Mrs. Philip M. Prescott. The large and congenial company at the Inn provide constant diversions for their pleasure. A. T. T.

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Sam Gilmer, claiming to be a professional, got lost and when found was riding along the railroad track, thinking he was coming home, when as a matter of fact he was going the other way.

Will Simpson was along, his first hunt, too. He was enthused over the chase, but wanted to get possession of the fox after he was dead. He said he thought they were good to eat .- Greensboro Record. Jan. 24.

3. If a ball goes out of the bounds the player has the option of playing from out of the bounds, or lifting and dropping not nearer the hole with the loss of one stroke. The bounds are the fences surrounding the course.

Off the course shall not be considered a hazard.

Players are earnestly requested to read the rules in the Golf House before playing.

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