

A GREAT GOLD FIND

In Vance and Granville People Intensely Excited.

FABULOUS PRICES

Being Offered for Sale... Plant Put in a Rich Strata of Gold

There is a strip of rugged, hilly land ten miles long and from five to three miles in width, situated between two streams and intersected by numerous smaller ones in Granville and Vance counties which bids fair to become the most valuable possession in the world.

For generations the land has been plowed and sowed as other red hills in North Carolina, but little did the honest toilers know that they were turning over quarries richly bedded with the yellow metal.

Six months ago gold was discovered in the hills of the finest tobacco country in the world. This same territory is known as the golden tobacco belt and became famous throughout the country.

The mines are only 44 miles from Raleigh, but still nothing is known here of the gold fever, nor had it been learned that the land was selling for such fabulous prices.

But now arrivals are coming in every few days, and the possibilities of the country are extending out every where.

An experienced miner from Rowan arrived at the hills last week. He is the only miner who has been isolated to tell the people of the reality of their sudden fortunes.

Last week an old farmer, who said that he was tired of waiting, gave an option on his tract of land for \$20,000.

A sixty acre tract brought \$20,000 on an option a short while ago. The option was secured by one Harris, who is representing Senator Stewart and other well known miners.

The great area of land on which the veins is found is over 100 and 120 acre tracts by native farmers.

Mr. James Wright, a young man, whose father owns a farm in the gold hills, was here today and gave an option to the Press-Visitor.

Mr. Wright has received several hundred offers for his farm.

NO EARLY CLOSING YET

The Saloons Given Until March 15th

BEGGING PROHIBITED

Messrs. J. W. Bailey and Gaston Jones Elected Members of the School Board

The board of aldermen had a most important meeting last evening. The ordinance requiring saloons to close at eleven o'clock which was to have gone into effect January first, was amended so that it will not be in effect until March 15th.

An ordinance was introduced by Alderman Bonham and passed the board, prohibiting begging on the streets. The Mayor in the goodness of his heart will not doubt give such well known landmarks as 'Mainin Gammes' and others of less renown, full swing on Townsville street.

The ordinance as passed is as follows: 'Be it ordered that the constant and systematic begging upon the streets of the city without written permission from the Mayor of the city is hereby forbidden and prohibited, and any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined five dollars for each offense.'

On recommendation of the police committee, Honor licenses were granted to the following named persons: twenty-five in all. W. D. Upchurch, Jr., J. J. Johnson, J. D. Carroll, L. N. White, F. S. Bailey, R. E. Fasham, E. V. Denton, J. E. Foster, S. T. Smith, J. J. Harris, James Freeman, J. E. Hamlin & Co., L. J. Walker, M. W. Woodard, D. C. Mangum, J. R. Ferrall & Co., Theo. Pascoe, M. Rosenthal, W. C. Hudgins, W. O. Scott, John U. Smith, N. Deboy, Jr., Harris & Hill, C. N. Hoover, T. R. Jones, McClure & Hales.

The report of the police committee showed that there were seventy-one arrests made during the month. Of these thirty-eight were white and thirty-three colored.

The report of the light committee was submitted by Alderman Bonham. The tax collected was \$3,700 all, which was a decrease of 10,000 feet over the month of October.

A petition for a fire alarm box at the corner of Newbern avenue and Persimmon streets was not granted.

An application to paint the roof of the market house was referred to the building committee.

The Southern, Pennsylvania and Ohio are planning to erect a new union passenger station in Washington.

The men's meeting will be held at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the subject will be a series of Discourses.

Secretary Overton was at Wake Forest Thursday and gave Prof. Lannan is arranging his apparatus for the lecture on X Rays.

Mr. Charles I. Askew, of New York, who has a host of friends in Raleigh, and who is one of the best men and up-to-date traveling men on the road, was in the city today.

LIFE LOST IN A RAID

Deputy Moffitt Killed by Moonshiners.

IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNTIL FEBRUARY.

The Scene of the Tragedy—Occurred Last Night—Mr. Moffitt, Father of Editor

Deputy Collector E. A. Moffitt of the internal revenue service was killed last night in Montgomery county in a battle with moonshiners. Mr. Moffitt was the father of Mr. E. E. Moffitt, editor of the Christian.

It is known, however, that a fire from a moonshiner's weapon killed the Deputy. Mr. Moffitt was one of the most courageous and courageous deputies in the employ of the government.

A TORPEDO BOAT

A formidable sub-marine destroyer being constructed at Elizabethport, N. J.

The torpedo boat when completed will be fish-shaped, fifty feet long and ten feet in the greatest diameter. The only variation from the fish form will be a turret on the back, and even this can be drawn within the shell when the craft is to be sunk for the purpose of traveling secretly under water.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

The Weather Bureau has issued the monthly meteorological summary for November.

The summary shows that the mean atmospheric pressure was 30.26; highest pressure 30.65; lowest 29.77; mean temperature 55.5 degrees; highest 79 on the 12th; lowest 29 on the 30th; greatest daily range of temperature 51 on the 11th; least daily range 1 on the 30th.

The mean temperature for this month for 10 years was 50.4; average excess of daily mean temperature since January 1st 5.6; accumulated excess of daily mean temperature since January 1st 5.65; average daily excess since January 1st 1.7.

The total precipitation was 2.50 inches; number of days with .01 inch or more of precipitation 7; average precipitation for this month for 10 years 2.47; total excess of precipitation during month 0.33 inches; accumulated deficiency in precipitation since January 1st 10.88; number of days 14; partly cloudy 14.

Dates of frost: Light, 7th; heavy, 9; killing, 15th.

At the hospital last night, Mrs. Helen Stevens, in the seventy-third year of her age, was the relic of the late Prof. S. J. Stevens, who came to this city with Dr. J. B. Burwell when Pease Institute was established.

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KILLED ON THE S. A. L.

A Man Run Over Near Boylan's Bridge.

DEATH WAS INSTANT.

Perry Hinton, Colored, Run Down by the Seaboard Air-Line Passenger Train From Norfolk This Afternoon.

The Seaboard Air Line train from Norfolk ran over and killed a colored man named Perry Hinton, near the block house, this side of the Boylan bridge, this afternoon. Hinton was walking on the track and when the train got near him he attempted to cross the track and was killed. Engineer Allen blew for him and stopped the train as soon as he saw it was getting dangerously near the man, but to no avail. Hinton was about thirty years of age and up to a few months ago worked for Mr. Jeff Ellington. He leaves a wife and two children. The fatal accident seems to have been the fault of the victim as he both saw the train and heard the whistle blow.

Football enthusiasts are disappointed to learn that the proposed game between the University of Virginia team and the Hampton team, which had been scheduled in Richmond is off. The Hampton team has gone to considerable expense, it appears, and they claim the championship of the South, while the Varsity will not admit this.

The following special from the University of Virginia explains itself: 'The faculty of the University have declined to allow the football team any further absence from lectures this year. The reason given by them for this objection to the game is that it is entirely contrary to the rules of the University governing athletics, which say that the teams shall not engage in any athletic contest off the college grounds, except with the regular college clubs.'

The former game in Hampton was played with the permission of the chairman, but he refused to grant a like privilege until he had received the support of the other members of the faculty.

By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. New York, Dec. 5.—Between the acts of a play in which ex-Champion James J. Corbett is appearing at the Grand Opera House in this city, the big actor-pugilist came before the curtain and addressed the audience as follows: 'Ladies and Gentlemen—Last night Mr. Fitzsimmons and Mr. Sharkey had a contest in San Francisco, and I expected that Mr. Fitzsimmons would win in short order, but, to my surprise, he did not. I don't wish to express any opinion as to the outcome of the contest or of the decision of the referee. I will say this, however: That I stand ready to meet either Fitzsimmons or Sharkey, first come first served, two weeks after the papers are signed, and at any place on the earth, because I want it settled, first and for all, who is the best man in the world.'

Three Fatalities from Gas. By Telegraph to the Press-Visitor. Boston, Dec. 5.—Three persons were found dead in a house on Newcomb street in the Roxbury district this morning from escaping gas. Pipes in two adjoining houses became affected and caused the leak. Four persons besides those who died were so seriously injured, it is thought, they will not recover. Several others were re-animated with difficulty.

There was a head-on collision this morning on the Southern Railway near Chapel Hill station. The fast freight which leaves here at 2 a m was standing on the main line, when an extra freight which got from under control of the engineer dashed into the fast freight. The engines jumped and so one was hurt. The engines were smashed up. The tender to the freight was backed up on a coal car.

The Newark sailed from the Norfolk navy yard yesterday to cruise off the Florida coast. Her postoffice address will be Jacksonville. The Raleigh is stationed at Key West.

SHORT STATEMENTS

Minor Matters Manipulated for the Many.

AROUND THE CITY.

Pot-Pouri of the News Hattered on Paper-Police and People Permitted to Pick and Choose in Print.

We regret to note the extreme illness of Kenneth, the young son of Mr. Dan H. Young, who has many braucous croup.

Miss Maggie Reese will sell all trimmed millinery for ladies, misses and children and all infants caps at a decided reduction from now until Christmas. Look out for her new advertisement on Monday.

At the morning service of the Presbyterian church from row the usual Sunday offering will be given for benefit of the church poor. Let all remember this and go prepared to contribute to the poor.

Messrs. Ward Bros. of Bullington have leased the hotel at Pinner's Point, owned by the Southern Railway Co. and Mr. C. J. Ward opened it up yesterday. Mr. E. M. Ward will remain in charge of the Inn.

Hon. G. B. Alford, of Holly Springs, who recently canvassed this district as sound money candidate for Congress, was one of the distinguished guests at the Capital Club german last night and participated in the gay festivities of the evening. There was not a younger man than Mr. Alford on the ball room floor and he was unanimously pronounced the handsomest and most graceful dancer.

From 8 to 11 o'clock last night the hospitable home of Mr. D. T. Johnson, on Hillsboro street, was the scene of an elegant reception to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. D. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson both have a large circle of friends in this city, who called to offer their congratulations. The reception was highly enjoyable affair, and delicious refreshments were served. Mr. Johnson is one of Raleigh's most estimable young business men, and his many friends are unanimous in their expressions of gratification at his securing such an accomplished bride. Mrs. Johnson is well known to a large number of our people as a lady of rare attractions, and her coming to this city is a most welcome addition to Raleigh's social circle.

Has Bryan's Watch Charm. The Monroe Enquirer says: 'When Bryan was in Charlotte he agreed to exchange watch charms with Prof. Edward E. Britton, of this place. Mr. Britton received a nice letter and a beautiful K. of P. watch charm from Mr. Bryan a few days ago. In the letter Mr. Bryan expresses himself as being highly pleased with the vote of Union county and asks that his appreciation be expressed to the people who so nobly stood by him during the campaign and at the polls.'

Exploring Australia. In June last an expedition started with the object of exploring central Australia, says the Detroit News. It is not generally known that there is an unexplored region in that island continent six times the size of England. The great difficulty of pushing into this terra incognita has always been its waterless character. The new expedition, under the command of Mr. L. A. Wells, is provided with camels and equipped with all necessities.

Randall's Master Casts of Venus. The Charlotte News of yesterday says: 'Mr. W. G. Randall, the eminent North Carolina artist, will soon place in the Y. M. C. A. several bas relief portraits of Hon. Zebulon Baird Vance. Mr. Randall does this to help the Association in its effort to circulate a love for art in its members and others who frequent the rooms. These portraits are very fine. It is hoped that when the ladies' auxiliary inaugurates its exposition that Mr. Randall may be induced to exhibit a number of his pictures. The art exhibit at that time will be the finest in the state.'