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LARGEST CITY CIRCULATION.

RALEIGH, AUGUST 10, 1892.

THE GREAT AMERICAN DESERT

The effect of building railroads across this desolate and deadly region has been to almost blot it out of public notice. The school boy of 40 years ago knew a great deal more of it than the average school teacher of today.

Says C. F. Lummies in St. Nicholas: I have walked its hideous length alone and wounded, and realize something more of it from that than a great many railroad journeys across it have told me.

The first scientific exploration of this region was Leut. Wheeler's United States survey, about 1850, and he was first to give scientific assurances that we had here a desert as absolute as the Sahara.

The Great American desert is full of strange, burned ragged mountain ranges, with deceptive, sloping broad valleys between—though it is said, near its southern end the mountains become somewhat less numerous, and the sandy wastes more prominent.

LOVER CAUGHT ON A SCYTHE.

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 7.—A young lover named Wyatt, in Gaston county, was in the habit of meeting his sweet heart at night, he crawling through the window. The father Friday night fixed a sharp pointed mowing scythe in the window and Wyatt was horribly cut.—Philadelphia Record.

Wilmington Star: Some of the boys who rode their bicycles down to Wrightsville Sunday afternoon missed the train from Ocean View, and in consequence did not reach the city on their return trip until about 2 o'clock Monday morning.

The New Berne Journal tells this: There is a hen in James City which has just laid four eggs in two days—a large one in the morning and a small one in the afternoon. They are on exhibition at the fair.

Goldboro Argus: Col. A. C. Davis, of the well known Davis School, of Winston, was in the city for a few hours between trains yesterday. He has hosts of friends throughout this section who will be pleased to learn that it is excellent school is assured of a large attendance next session.

Berkeley News: Secretary Foster of the Treasury department has awarded the contract for the poles for the telephone line along the Virginia coast from Cape Charles to Assateague Island, for the use of the life saving station, to Charles S. Colonna, of Berkeley, Va.

A Connecticut man who wanted to put a water pipe through a drain several feet below the surface without digging up the drain. He tied a string to a cat's leg, thrust her into one end of the drain and gave a terrific "scat." The scared feline quickly appeared at the other end. By means of the string which was carried through by the cat, the pipe was soon drawn through and an expense of about ten dollars saved by the operation.

HE POPPED, THEN SHOT

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 7.—A cold-blooded murder took place in Clinton township, near North Columbus, last night. James Cameron had been courting Mary Smith, a divorced woman, and he wanted her to marry him, but she refused and added the galling information that she would soon be married to a man by the name of Kilver.

Last night Cameron met her in the road and shot her dead.

A stranger, when dining at a foreign hotel, was accosted by a detective who said to him: "Beg your pardon, we are in search of an escaped convict and as a matter of form, you will oblige us with your passport."

In any case I shall require to see your passport. The stranger, feeling annoyed, presented the officer with a bill of fare, and the latter commenced to read: "Sheep's head neck of mutton, pig's feet." "Very good," he observed, "the description tallies. You will please come along with us."—Dundee Weekly News.

In Russia the plague of cholera is steadily advancing westward, and may at any time reach the sections from which are drawn the contingent of Russian emigrants to this country. The authorities of the Marine Hospital Service in our seaports have already held consultations as to the best means for keeping out contagious diseases during the critical coming months, and the public will rejoice to see the assurance that nothing will be left undone to secure immunity from the dreaded plague.



Willie Tillbrook, Son of Mayor Tillbrook

of McKeesport, Pa., had a Scrofula bunch under one ear which the physician lanced and then it became a running sore, and was followed by erysipelas. Mrs. Tillbrook gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla

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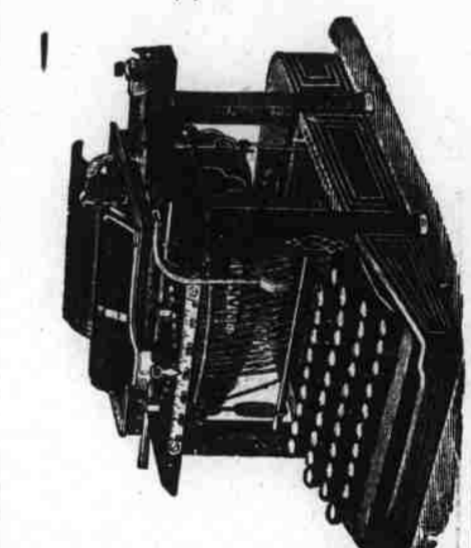
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