

TRADING FORD TOPICS.

Cotton Crop Will be Small and Late: Cool Weather for Some Days.

It has been very cool for several days. Some looked for frost but did not see any.

Cotton is beginning to open, but the crop will be small and late.

G. W. Wagoner, of Gladstone, visited Sam on Sunday the 20th, and returned home on Monday.

We will have a telephone at last. This is something our town has needed for quite a while.

Mrs. L. D. Misenheimer left Saturday for Albemarle where she will spend the winter.

Rev. Wilson, who assisted in the meeting at Trading Ford, left for his home on Saturday the 19th. He was one of the oldest preachers who has been here for some time.

This was the best meeting that we have had here in a long time. On Sunday the 20th, at 10 o'clock, the ordinance of baptism was administered and the closing sermon was preached by Rev. Bell.

of Spencer. Revs. Bell, Soney, Hodge and Bennett were present at the closing exercises. Seventeen were baptized and joined the church. Their names are as follows: Adam Orr, Chas. Edwards, Aut Coppley, Lee Smith, Cramer Grubb, Alozo Wyatt, Frank Smith, Charlie Crowell, Ambrose Phelps, Vesta Phelps, Martha Edwards, Mabel Simerson, Annie Sapp, Bertha Keifnic, Ellen Walker, Edna Walton and Elizabeth Garwood. They give all the honor to Rev. Wilson, who conducted the meeting.

A large crowd attended the quarterly meeting at Bethel last Sunday. The meeting was presided over by Rev. W. W. Bays. This is the last quarterly meeting for the year.

Protracted meeting will begin at Providence church next Sunday. Rev. Rowe, of Albemarle, will assist Rev. England in the meeting.

J. A. Reid has ginned 4 bales of new cotton. Last year by this time he had ginned about twenty bales.

G. F. Cornelison had a strawberry pie last Saturday. This is the latest we have ever known strawberries to bear.

P. J. Leonard has reported to us that he offers all his lands for sale, also all of his personal property. He has three plantations, one containing 104 acres, another containing 94 acres, and his home place of 164 acres.

We predict a hard winter this year, as there is a second crop of several different kinds of fruit, strawberries, grapes, cherries, etc. This is generally a good sign.

A small crop of wheat will be sown here this fall, and but few oats.

Sam is ready to take subscriptions or collect for the same. Please see him.

SAM SMOOR.

The Pleasure of Eating.

Persons suffering from indigestion, dyspepsia or other stomach trouble will find that Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. This remedy is a never failing cure for indigestion and dyspepsia and all complaints affecting the stomach or digestive tract. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure everything you eat tastes good, and every bit of the nutriment that your food contains is assimilated and appropriated by the blood and tissue. Sold by Jas. Plummer.

PREHISTORIC MONSTER.

Scientists dig up the Skull of a Triceratops in Montana.

The skull of a huge herbivorous dinosaur of the tertiary period has reached New York city from the remote corner of Montana, where it was discovered by Barnum Brown, of the American Museum of Natural History.

This skull is the largest in the world. It weighs 2,800 pounds, and with the plaster of Paris bandages used to protect it while being shipped to New York, its total weight was 8,100 pounds. The skull measures 7 1/2 feet in length and 5 1/2 feet in width. A remarkable fact about this huge skull is that it had not only two horns, but three. One horn is in the nature of a snout. Unfortunately the two main horns had been broken off in past ages and are missing in the specimen found by the expedition. The snout horn only, and that in an imperfect state, was found with the skull.

The animal to which the skull belongs was the triceratops, in some respects the most formidable of the prehistoric bull reptiles. This appellation is the only one which properly describes the gigantic land saurians of the tertiary period. Our specimen was half way between a rhinoceros and a gigantic lizard. The specimen of which this skull is a part was, when alive, about twenty-five feet in length and fifteen feet in height. In other words he was as large as a house. He had on the back of his head an enormous frill, or ruff, which was equal to an armor plate, as means of protection. In fact the entire skin of the triceratops was almost impervious to any blow or missile which either that age or the present could furnish. If the triceratops were living today, a file of infantry might pepper him with their Mausers and stand but little chance of penetrating his thick hide.

That the largest heads are not always the most intellectual is shown by the fact that, according to scientists, this animal was exceedingly stupid. It is rather a curious reflection that the earth after producing such colossal animals as the triceratops—which, by the way, was a strict vegetarian—should be now dominated by a puny race six feet high and weighing less than 200 pounds on the average, the little brain case of each individual being scarcely large enough to fill one of the eye holes in the skull of the extinct reptile.—Atlanta Journal.

Soldiers May Hold Office.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—Judge Advocate General Davis, of the Army, has rendered an opinion that there is no legal objection to the acceptance by an enlisted man of the army of an office under the federal government, the duties of which are not incompatible with his military duties. The question arose in the case of the appointment of an ordnance sergeant stationed at Fort Fremont, S. C., as the United States postmaster at that place.

Distress After Eating Cured.

Judge W. T. Holland, of Greensburg, La., who is well and favorably known, says: "Two years ago I suffered greatly from indigestion. After eating, great distress would invariably result, lasting for an hour or so and my nights were restless. I concluded to try Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and it cured me entirely. Now my sleep is refreshing and digestion perfect." Sold by Jas. Plummer.

\$5.00 Cash for

Desiring to secure a much larger list of subscribers than ever before we have decided to offer a cash prize of \$5.00 to some lucky individual. The conditions for a chance at this prize are very simple. Any one, new subscriber, old subscriber or agent who pays 25c on subscription to the SEMI-WEEKLY TRUTH-INDEX during the month of Sept., will be entitled to one coupon or chance at it. Each coupon will be numbered and registered and the party getting the lucky number will be given the prize, \$5.00. Now is your opportunity to get the best paper in the country, but a neat sum of money as a bonus. The TRUTH-INDEX is published twice per week, Tuesday and Friday, and gives all the news of the day of importance. The price of the paper is only \$1.00 per year. Every 25c paid entitles you to one chance at a prize—a full year's subscription gives you four chances. See the nearest agent or call at the office of the TRUTH-INDEX, 120 W. Innis St., Salisbury, N. C.

FRY IS DISMISSED.

Charged With Repeated Violations of the Naval Academy Rules.

Hugh C. Fry, of North Carolina, a member of the fourth class at the naval academy, was dismissed today by the Secretary of the Navy Moody on the recommendation of the academy. Recently young Fry attracted considerable attention by reason of the fact that he hurled a glass at a negro waiter for refusing to wait on him promptly. Repeated violations of the rules of the academy is the charge on which his expulsion is based. The latest offense with which he is charged is that he left the grounds of the academy without permission.—Washington dispatch.

Bethany.

The missionary exercises at the Lutheran church were a success. A number of our Salisbury friends were present as we expected.

The health of the community is good.

The farmers are busy cutting tops and making fodder.

Sister Dick you were not at the missionary day services. Come out and show yourself.

Uncle Crawford Miller has not got a bale of cotton out yet. You will have to pick faster Polly.

Misses Mattie Miller and Mary Beaver came home Sunday from Concord, to spend a while with friends and relatives.

Patsy and Phenie attended the missionary service. Phenie you write and get in practice, for I'm afraid Patsy is going to leave us.

There will be a harvest home festival at Lower Stone Reformed church next Sunday.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

LION ON A TEAR.

The Animal Attacks an Elephant and There is a Lot of Trouble.

Thousands of visitors to Coney Island were thrown into a panic by the escape from a park of a lion which ran through the streets and pursued by policemen until he was cornered and secured.

The lion on being brought out of his cage to go through a ring performance with an elephant, suddenly became enraged, leaped on the elephant's back and buried his teeth and claws in the big brute's shoulders.

Trumpeting loudly the elephant rushed around the ring and finally succeeded in grabbing the lion with his trunk, tore him from his hold and hurled him into a lagoon near by. By this time the terrified audience had fled and the panic was communicated to the crowds in the street. The lion, half drowned, scrambled out of the lagoon, leaped through a window into a barroom and then into the street. When recaptured the lion appeared to be weary, and was probably more frightened than any of his pursuers.—New York dispatch.

Would not be Classed With Negroes.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 26.—In disdainful silence the members of the Pamunty tribe of Indians turned their backs on the registrars and strode away when it was proposed to enroll their names on the book with the negroes. The tribe lives on a reservation in New Kent county. Their farms are in a high state of cultivation and many of them employ negroes as field and house servants. They regard themselves as better in every way than the Africans. There are, however, two sets of books, one for the whites and another for the blacks. "There is no place for the red men except with the negroes."

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of La Grange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. At all druggists.

Ten Thousand Churches

in the United States have used the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints. Every church will be given a liberal quantity whenever they paint. Don't pay \$1.50 a gallon for Linseed oil (worth 60 cents) which you do when you buy thin paint in a can with a paint label on it. 8 & 6 make 14, therefore when you want fourteen gallons of paint, buy only eight gallons of L. & M., and mix six gallons of pure linseed oil with it. You need only four gallons of L. & M. paint, and three gallons of Oil mixed therewith to paint a good sized house. Houses painted with these paints never grow shabby, even after 18 years. These celebrated paints are sold by Rowan Hardware Co.

\$5.00 for 25c still holds good to

some lucky individual. This contest closes Sept. 30th. Pay 25c on subscription, new subscribers, old subscribers and agents all stand an equal chance. Good luck comes to all, but especially to those who seek it. Our prize offer closes Sept. 30.

A DISASTROUS WRECK.

The Fast Mail Jumps the Track and Nine Men are Hurlled to Death.

Washington, Sept. 28.—South-bound train No. 97 of the Southern Railway jumped the track at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, fell through the Still House trestle, a short distance north of Danville Va., and without a moment's warning the entire train was precipitated to the bottom of the ravine, about fifty feet deep and was practically demolished. Nine persons were killed outright, the entire train crew among them, and seven others were badly injured, one probably fatally.

The train was bound for New Orleans and was known as the fast mail. It was made up of four mail cars and one express car. As No. 97 is a mail train it is required to keep to the schedule as closely as possible. Its speed yesterday was not above the average, and as it approached Danville, Engineer Broady, who lost his life, reduced his speed to 30 miles an hour, as required by his orders.

Just north of Still House ravine the track takes a sudden turn around a curve. This curve had been passed and the train was approaching the trestle. When in a hundred feet from the trestle the engine jumped the tracks and ran along the ties. As it was about to pass on to the bridge the engine careened and fell into the ravine, followed by the five cars, and landed in the mud at the bottom of the creek. The bodies of the dead have been recovered, and the injured were taken to Danville.

The Best and Only Way.

"The worst rum holes are men's mouths. So long as these holes are open to receive it, rum will find its way into them. Can these holes be closed to rum by prohibition? No. It can be done only by convincing and persuading their owners to do it of their own free will. That was the method of Father Mathew, the method by which he won the grandest success which the temperance cause has yet gained."—The Rev. Truford Nightingale.

Mrs. Davis Some Better.

Buffalo, Sept. 28.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis passed a comfortable night, and her condition today is much improved. Relatives and friends are now hopeful of her recovery.

FOOLISH, FOOL-HARDY, DESPERATE.

The Deed has Been Done. Perhaps you Think we hit off More than we can Chew,

but goodness knows "We 'aint done it." Don't we know people are worrying their lives away all around us when a few comforts and necessities at prices they can afford dispels the shadow and brings a smile with a happy spirit that scatters joy and sunshine?



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Salem, Ohio, 8-19, 1903

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Consignee, C. S. MINOR,
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