

A NEGRO SHOT.

Members of His Race Shot Him For a Jug of Whiskey.

Manning, N. C., January 1st, 1900.—(Special correspondence).—Will Graham, a negro, who works for M. J. Bost, had concluded to celebrate the week in a lively way. But his plans were all failed and he was compelled to lie in bed. Just before Xmas he took a two-gallon jug and tramped all the way up to Roseman's distillery beyond Cleveland. On his way back he ran into a mob of negroes who expressed a desire to taste his "corn juice," Graham of course assented, and the negroes drank. Graham then started on way. The mob held a hurried consultation. Then one of them shouted down the road to Graham: "We want sum moah!" Another yelled: "Drop that jug or we'll shoot!" Thinking that there might be probability of losing his Xmas, Graham struck a fast trot. The mob followed. The man with the jug was gaining. "We must have your jug," came from the mob, with it came a pistol shot. This was not fired for effect, nor did the jug "drap." Then the men grew desperate, three shots whizzed ahead, two of them took effect in the calf of the leg of the man with the jug. That he might save his life he left the jug by the road and managed to escape. But when the jug was found the mob turned back. Graham says he didn't know the "niggers."

On last Sunday evening Mr. Charles Owen was united in matrimony to Miss Bessie Albright, Rev. H. A. Trexler officiating.

On Monday Mr. James Heilig, of near St. Paul, and Miss Annie Glover, a run-a-way couple, were married at St. Mark's by Rev. W. A. Deaton.

On the evening of the same day, at the residence of the bride, Mr. J. L. Boyd and Miss Daisy Hudson were married by Rev. H. A. Trexler.

Mr. H. A. Graham and Mrs. Jane Aithy were married in Jude's church on the 27th by Rev. Thos. Trott.

A very appropriate Christmas service was rendered at St. Mark's on the 25th. All connected with Sunday school received gifts. In addition Miss Ada Cowan, the beautiful and accomplished organist, received a gift of several dollars. A collection for the Orphan Home, Salem, Va., was raised, amounting to \$9.85.

Mrs. Julia Harrison, of Woodleaf, spent the week with her brother, J. A. Burkhead.

Faith News.

John Barger commenced work on his well Monday.

Mr. Luther and Miss Rosa Yates are visiting in Faith.

Mr. Jinks and Miss Sarah Pool of Pool are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Willis Klutz and Miss Annie Walton were married recently.

Mr. Nimrod Barger, and wife, are visiting relatives in Faith.

Windows of stained glass are being put in the new Lutheran church here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Corl are visiting in Salisbury at the home of their daughter Mrs. McConneyhey.

Mr. and Mrs. G. McConneyhey and son of Salisbury, visited at Mrs. McConneyhey's father's last week.

Seven car loads of curbing were shipped from the granite belt last Friday and several more are ready for shipment now.

Notwithstanding the extremely cold weather, several car loads of granite from Faith and the granite belt are being loaded and shipped.

There was the largest crowd at Faith at the Christmas celebration that ever attended upon such an occasion. Some came from St. Paul's settlement.

The Faith correspondent of the TRUTH INDEX, by the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. G. McConneyhey, helped partake of an extra fine turkey lately.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich. tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run-down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by Theo. F. Klutz & Co., druggist.

The New Year.

The time has arrived when those who take the comic papers are supposed to turn over a new leaf. They feel themselves free to swear off from this, that and the other, and they are equally free to swear on again as soon as the stimulus of their new resolutions dies out.

In short we have come, hot foot, upon another new year, the like of which none who read these lines will ever see again. It is a new year, and yet it is the oldest and last year of the nineteenth century. One year from today we shall be celebrating the first day of the first year of the twentieth century of the Christian era—a fact that presents a remarkable perspective in which to view the history of the world since the Child of Bethlehem lay in the manger.

If anything is certain it is the fact that the New Year is to be one of "business." There are small promises of that peace which the angels heralded to the world, but everywhere there are signs and tokens that commercial progress and development have taken the place of those doctrines which in the past have been found soothing to the souls of men. Indeed, a new sin has been added to the long list of those which have been a burden to the human family. Young men who are starting out in life are told that "success is so easy, it is a crime not to succeed." This is the test. Virtue is no longer its own reward, unless it has money in its pocket and an account in the bank. To be truly good is to be successful in trade and business. The man who fails to make money or to secure a reputation is worse than a failure; he is a criminal.

In our own energetic and pushing age, the Son of Man, who had not where to lay his head, would not figure at all. He would enter a house only to be shown the door. To fail in a worldly sense is to be a criminal, as the world judges today. And by every test and measure and gauge that the world applies to men the Christ was a most woeful failure. He did not condemn riches, but He pointed out how they would hamper and overload those who sought them. He brought a message to the world, and it was received; but from that day to this, for a period of two thousand years lacking one, that message has been more illuminating to the hearts of the poor, the lonely, the forsaken, the ignorant and the wandering ones than to the successful children of men.

Nevertheless, the fat of the world has gone forth. Everybody who is anybody is successful. Get into the push; "progress" is the thing; commercial and industrial development is a more exacting master than religion. Be pious and get on your knees if you will, but when you arise, you will find that the world has rushed by you. Your conscience may be easy, and your hopes high, but what about this world's goods? It is a crime not to be successful, and if you have nothing substantial to show as the result of a career however short, you stand condemned in the eyes of the world.

We don't know how you are to be sustained and soothed on your death bed by your worldly goods. If you are a good business man, you have already made, or are preparing to make, your will, a document in which you relinquish all claims on the possessions you have accumulated. How sad to think that, after all, the multi-millionaires, the organizers of syndicates, the great financiers

the popular politicians, the progressive spirits of the age, the captains of industry, are just as poor, just as needy, just as helpless as the pauper that breathes his last in the poor house! Yet such is the case, and not all the gods of this world—money, wealth, power and position—are able to carry a man beyond his brief journey to the grave.

No doubt you think all this is a gloomy greeting for the New Year; but not necessarily. You are not compelled to substitute commercial success and general progress for religion; you are not called on to believe that the lack of money is a crime. The Savior placed no ban on riches. He simply pointed out that the rich man owes more to his neighbor than another; and that with the possession of wealth comes the temptation to hold to it with too tight a grip.

You can be successful and still remember that riches do not last beyond the present life. It is a fact that is as easy to remember as it is to forget, and the beginning of the New Year is the time to bear in mind that in a special and definite sense we are our brother's keeper. The pinched faces we have passed by, the suffering that one might have mitigated will all come back to us and sit out the last hours with us; and in that time, whether it be soon or late, we shall come to know, a keenness impossible to describe, that what we call "success" in individuals and "progress" in nations are not as important as one timely act of benevolence.

And so we leave the New Year with you, knowing that you can make it happy and prosperous in the highest sense if you will.—Atlanta Constitution.

Gold Knob Dots.

Smallpox(?) is scouring some of us almost out of our wits.

The weather has been very cold for a few days.

Christmas was enjoyed by many, we think.

We hear of a few weddings "once in a while."

Messrs. David and Bob Phillips spent Xmas in Concord.

We are sorry to learn that Willie Alred is so ill.

There are a good many bicycles on the road just now.

The health of the community is good.

We had a sleet between Xmas and the first of January. That is a sure sign that we will have fruit, the old people say.

Many happy New Years to all B. P. H.

THE WEATHER.

The weather forecast: Fair; colder tonight.

Bismark's Iron Nerve

Was the result of his splendid health, indomitable will and tremendous energy are lost (stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of the man and body. Only 50c at Theo. F. Klutz & Co., drug store.

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Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It is the great medicinal triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will find just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

\$3,000 CASH PRIZE CONTEST

The Atlanta Constitution's Great Offer of 1900—The Cotton Receipts at New Orleans from September to April—Full Statistics Given for Your Guidance—An Unparalleled Offer to Our Readers.

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