

Brincefield Wants Pardon

SOLD WATER FOR WHISKEY.

Then Attempted To Get Out of Jail By Forging a Bail Bond For Which He Is Now Serving Five Years on The Roads—Many People Think He Has Been Sufficiently Punished.

Mr. James Brincefield of Rowan county, was in the city yesterday morning in the interest of his son, Charles Brincefield, who is now serving a five years sentence on the chain gang for forgery.

Mr. Brincefield will ask for a pardon for his son on Dec. 18 and he told a representative of the Mascot that he would have a big petition asking for the pardon of his son, when that time comes, ready to present to the governor.

He said that the judge who sentenced his boy, the solicitor who prosecuted him, many of the court officers and a heap of lawyers and well known citizens of both this and Rowan county had promised to sign the petition.

In talking with a number of people today the Mascot man discovered that there is quite a general impression abroad to the effect that the man has been punished sufficiently.

The pardon will be asked for on the ground that his aged parent who is nearly blind and in infirm health needs the son's support and also on the ground that no one lost anything by the forgery.

The case against Brincefield is well remembered and at the time occupied a prominent place in the papers and in judicial circles.

Brincefield was first arrested about two years ago next May on a charge that he sold a couple of negroes a keg of water, having represented that it was whiskey.

While in jail he procured a blank form filled out a bail bond and signed the name of parties in Rowan county where he had once lived, to it. The forgery was discovered and it was on this charge that he was sentenced to the roads for seven years.

Later the sentence was reduced to five years.

Brincefield was a Rowan boy but married a daughter of Mr. Watt Morgan, of this city and lived there after that until his arrest.

His wife is now living with her father in this city and is said to be an invalid.

To Build a Reservoir.

Mr. J. A. Ordway has received a contract to build a large reservoir at East Monbo for the Turner Mill Company.

The reservoir will be located on the hill just above the plant of the company and will be built for fire protection. The walls will extend 50 feet above the roof of the building and the reservoir will have a capacity of 200,000 gallons. Work will begin at once.

The Ordway Company, which Mr. Ordway represents, is already doing considerable work for the Turner Company.

It has the contract and is at work on a big dam across the Catawba river and the mill building all of which are nearing completion.

Improvements at the St. Charles.

Since Mr. J. F. Misenheimer took charge of the St. Charles hotel, a large number of improvements have been made.

Not the least of this is the "toning up" of the hotel office, which has just been completed.

The room has been given a new suit of wall paper and a large clock and new stove have been installed, also new furniture.

With the numerous guests, some of them ladies, seated around the warm fire and table, the room this morning presented a very home-like appearance.

Dr. Pressley Has Returned.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Pressley has returned from the meeting of the Associate Reformed Synod at Newberry, S. C.

His little daughter who was recently quite sick with scarlet fever has now fully recovered.

Dr. Pressley will conduct his usual services tomorrow.

Mr. Cox May Land Good Job

FRIENDS PUSH HIM FORWARD.

Says He Made a Remarkable Run for Governor and Now Want Him to Have a Place in Mr. Taft's Cabinet—Not Known What Mr. Roosevelt May Decide to do About the Matter.

The remarkable run that Hon. J. Elwood Cox made for governor in the recent campaign has started considerable talk among prominent North Carolina republicans in his advocacy as a member of President-elect Taft's cabinet.

They assert that he won the biggest republican gains in any southern state and that his great party service in this connection coupled with his great capacity as a business man and financier make him a "shining mark" for national cabinet appointment. Of course, all hands realize that the whole matter is up to Mr. Roosevelt, not Taft, and what the president may think of the project is only a matter of conjecture.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. A. Gaither has been spending the week in Morganton.

Mr. W. W. Cooper returned today from a business trip to Charlotte.

Messrs. N. W. Fox and N. Gill were in Charlotte yesterday.

Deputy Collector A. B. Freeman went to Asheville last night to spend Saturday.

Mr. James W. Forbes, an insurance man of Greensboro, is in the city today.

Messrs. S. K. Myers and J. R. Johnson of Jennings were registered at the St. Charles last night.

Mr. P. A. Bandy and Mr. J. A. Gabril and son Gilbert, of Terrill, in Catawba county, are visiting at Mr. J. W. Sherrill's.

Miss Clara Bowles has returned to the college after a visit with her parents in Hickory.

Miss Gladys Purnell who spent three weeks here with her cousin, Mrs. J. F. Mitchiner left Wednesday for her home at Rockingham. She was accompanied by Mrs. Mitchiner and her children.

Mrs. F. A. Sherrill returned today from a visit at Mooresville.

Miss Aggie Davidson, a nurse in the Rocky Mount hospital is at the home of her father, Capt. T. A. C. Davidson, near the city.

Is Drilling Wells.

Mr. R. A. Barkley formerly of this city, but now of Asheville, is in the city and will remain here for some time.

Mr. Barkley recently engaged in the well boring business. He has invested in some recently patented machinery for this work and this enables him to drill to any depth at a cost lower than most people ever dreamed of.

He would be pleased to quote prices on his work and if he can obtain enough work he will locate here permanently. A letter addressed to the Statesville postoffice will reach him, and he will be pleased to reply in person.

A Child Loses an Eye.

The Concord Tribune says:

Blanche, the little two and a half year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sloop, of Iredell county, is in a hospital at Charlotte, where she is being treated for an injury to her left eye, sustained while at play with an older sister. The children were at their home by the fireside and the older child had in her hand a pair of shears. In some unexplained way she stuck the points of the shears in the left eye of her little sister putting it out entirely. The little sufferer is quite pitiful and the loss of her eye is deplorable.

Never can tell when you'll mash a finger or suffer a cut, bruise, burn or scald. Be prepared Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil instantly relieves the pain—quickly cures the wound.

Mrs. Brawley Gets Punch Bowl.

Mrs. R. V. Brawley has been awarded the punch bowl in the Gold-man gift distribution. Her ticket was number 1495.

Young Emperor of China Dead

KEPT IN THE BACKGROUNDS.

News of Death Suppressed Until Nephew Was Installed on Throne. He Was But Thirty-eight Years Old and His Health Had Long Been a Matter of Grave Concern to the Empire.

Washington, Nov. 14.—Official notice of the death of the emperor of China has been received at the state department here and at the Chinese legation. He died suddenly in the imperial palace at Peking.

The emperor was but thirty-eight years old and his health had long been a matter of grave concern to the Empire.

During the entire period of his reign his mother, the dowager empress Tzu-Hue was the virtual ruler and she kept Kwang Su, who appears to have been a moral and metal weakling, in the background.

The news of the death of Kwang Su was suppressed until after his nephew, Prince Puyi, who is only three years old, was taken into the palace by the dowager empress and installed on the throne. The Prince is a son of Prince Chun, brother of the emperor, and was designated recently as the heir presumptive.

The emperor suffered from nephritis, complicated with other ailments. The foreign legations in Peking offered the services of their skilled physicians but their offers were declined by the empress dowager and her son was treated by the native doctors.

One of the last acts of the emperor was to issue an edict promising constitutional government and ordering administrative and financial reforms.

Superior Court Adjourns.

Judge Long spent this morning in entering and signing up orders and at noon adjourned the November term of the Iredell superior court.

Fannie James who is serving a six months sentence in jail for retailing, asked the court to be transferred to the chain gang where she proposes to do the cooking. The court ordered that the matter be left at the discretion of the county commissioners.

Will Hunter who is serving a sentence on the chain gang had it represented to the court that he was physically unable to work on the roads and the court referred the matter to Dr. Adams, the county physician.

If the doctor finds that the claims of Hunter are true he will be removed to the jail to serve out the remainder of his sentence.

In the case of Rich Pearson vs the Southern Railway Company, the plaintiff was allowed to take a non suit.

Make Watts and Sarah Rector sentenced to the chain gang and jail respectively for fornication and adultery, were allowed to enter an appeal and give bond for their appearance before the superior court.

Bristol's Big Bargains.

A big sale is in progress at Mr. L. B. Bristol's store on West Broad street and will continue for some time.

All of this immense stock of goods has been reduced in price and a novelty in the shape of a "Bargain Counter" has been established.

This counter is true to its name and has become the talk of the town. It will be well to keep your eye on this counter.

Dr. Richards at Davidson.

Rev. Dr. Richards went to Davidson this morning where tomorrow he will preach his first sermon as pastor of his new flock.

He will move his family to Davidson early next week.

Mr. Clyde Wagner of Troutman was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Girl is Scalped By a Machine

HAIR WAS SEWED ON AGAIN.

Miss Matilda Detering's Hair Was Caught by Shaft—Physicians Say She Will Recover and Her Traces May be Saved—Few Cases Known.

Baltimore, Nov. 14.—As the result of having her hair caught in the shaft of a machine used in the manufacture of hats, Miss Matilda Lombard Detering, 27 years old, 1321 West Lombard street, was scalped about noon yesterday while working at the factory of M. S. Levy & Sons, Paca and Lombard streets.

While operating one of the machines Miss Detering's hair became loose, and in falling some strands were caught about the shaft. In the twinkling of an eye Miss Detering's hair was being wound about the machine. A few revolutions only were necessary before the hair was all wound up, and Miss Detering was pinioned to the shaft, and it appeared that her skull would be crushed before the machine could be stopped.

Her screams attracted several employees, and when they saw what had happened they became terror-stricken. One operator, more composed than the rest, made an effort to stop the machine. Before she succeeded the skin about Miss Detering's forehead broke, and in an instant her skull was bare. The skin broke about the ears and around the neck.

Dr. Louis H. Seth, of the Maryland University Hospital, was sent for and found Miss Detering in a highly nervous state. Dr. Seth gave her temporary relief, and Dr. Sydney Cone, the company's physician, was notified. Dr. Cone suggested that Miss Detering be taken to the Maryland General Hospital. A private ambulance was obtained and the run was made to the hospital in a short time.

All the while Miss Detering was conscious. Notwithstanding that she was bereft of her scalp, she lost little blood. It did not take Dr. Cone and the physicians at the hospital long to sew the scalp and its hair to her head.

The case is being watched with much interest by the hospital authorities. Few similar cases have been known in local hospitals. Whether the skin will grow on the head is problematic. At the hospital it is said that so few cases were known that they had no statistics on the subject.

Soon after the accident Miss Detering, fearing she would die, sent for Rev. J. A. Boyd, pastor of St. Peter's Catholic church. He arrived in less than 10 minutes and administered the last rites of the church.

While it is doubtful whether Miss Detering's hair will be restored, there is little doubt but that she will recover, in the opinion of the physicians.

COTTON MARKET.

Local Market.

Prices paid at wagon:
Strict good middling.....9.05
Good middling.....9.00
Middling.....8.75
Stains and Tinges.....6@7 1/2
The market was firm.

New York, November 13.—Spots closed quiet, 10 points lower, at 9.25.
December.....9.03
January.....8.84
March.....8.80
May.....8.77

There Was no Show.

When the time came for the curtain to go up at the opera house last night on the first act of Peacetown it was announced that because of the small attendance no performance would be given.

The few who had invested in admission tickets received their mon back.

North Carolina Conference.

The Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will meet in Asheville next Wednesday.

The Methodist pastors are closing up their work for the conference year and will leave for the conference on Monday or Tuesday.

Crowds Gaze at a Bathtub

FOR T. R. ROOSEVELT, JUNIOR.

Order for Modern Plumbing Was Given by His Landlord After He Had Upset the Tin Basin He Bathed in and Soaked a Valuable Rug—Quentin Starts on Hunt.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 14.—"These bath fixtures are for Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and will be installed by us in his apartments in Thompsonville."

This information is more or less artistically conveyed by a large placard in the window of a Harrison avenue plumbing establishment, and attracted an all-day crowd that gave rise to the impression that a bargain sale was in progress in that normally quiet thoroughfare.

From unquestionable sources it was learned that the President's son has found taking his matutinal bath in a tin basin a serious discomfort in learning the carpet business from the top to bottom. The limit came the other morning when Theodore, Jr., fell over the basin, thereby precipitating a deluge which played havoc with the only really first-class rug in Thompsonville.

The news of the Harrison avenue display was telephoned to Thompsonville and a delegation of enthusiastic townspeople came to Springfield on the first trolley car to view the immaculate enamel equipment, which is fitted with the latest push-button appliances, and the only discordant note in the verdict of unanimous approval was the comment of an incorrigible youth of fourteen: "Gee! They'll have to build a new house to go with Teddy, Jr.'s tub."

Quentin Starts on Hunt.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—Quentin Roosevelt, whose brother Kermit is to hunt lions and tigers in Africa next year with his father, the President, started off on a hunting trip of his own yesterday without notifying his mother, but was intercepted by a peremptory telephone message from the White House to the local terminal station of the electrical line to Baltimore. It is the country between Washington and Baltimore that is most popular with Washington sportsmen.

Quentin, the youngest son of the President, reached the ticket window just as the agent was answering a query from the White House as to whether anything had been seen of the lad. Turning to Quentin, the agent asked: "Is your name Roosevelt?"

"It is, -ir," said the boy.

"Your mother wants you to come home immediately." Quentin turned away with a grin, remarking: "The matter must be sore," and hurried home. Further deponent saith not.

Gone After Game.

Mr. Will M. Westmoreland left Thursday night for Apalachicola, Fla., and points on the Gulf of Mexico for a hunting expedition.

While he is away Messrs. J. Will Mills and E. H. White are in charge of his livery business.

Southside Pastor Returns.

Rev. W. A. Kennedy, pastor of the Southside Associate Reformed Presbyterian church returned today from the general synod at Newberry, S. C.

While away he visited relatives at various points in South Carolina.

He will preach for his congregation as usual tomorrow.

Farmer Robbed By a Bootblack

PART OF MONEY RECOVERED.

A Well Known Surry County Farmer, With Two Much Booze Imbibed, Loses His Money and May Also Lose His Moustache of Which He Was Very Fond.

Winston-Salem, Nov. 13.—By an unusual circle of circumstances a rather well-known farmer from Surry county, who came here to market his tobacco, had \$69 stolen from him and, what is more, may be compelled to temporarily part with an abundant titian colored moustache, "of which," in the words of Miss Mattie J. Peterson, poetess laureate of North Carolina, "he were fond."

The man shall be nameless, because of his humiliation. Having disposed of his tobacco at high prices at one of the warehouses, he felt that he was entitled to recreation—and sought it unwisely by partaking of too much "white lightning." Sitting in a little obscure restaurant, he was stroking his red moustache when two little negro bootblacks imperturbed him for business. He let them shine his shoes and then generously inquired if he could throw any more business their way.

"Boss, yoh mustash is mighty fine, but hit oughter be black, lack yoh ha'r," ventured one of th boys. The farmer reflected a moment and was lost.

"Polish it up," he commanded. The boys did a good job of it, from their standpoint. The moustache, as shown to the police this afternoon, was black as ink, but shinier.

After the hirsute polish, however, the farmer discovered he had been robbed, one of the boys having picked his pocket. Several hours later the boy was arrested at his home and \$68.70 of the \$69 was recovered.

The farmer is now seeking to restore the titian color of the moustache. He fears it may be necessary to have it cut off.

MOSES IS HAPPY.

Popular Janitor of Statesville Loan and Trust Company Building is Rid of a Bad Egg and Can Now Hunt up Another Wife if he Wants to.

Moses White, who happens to be man of another color and janitor of the Statesville Loan and Trust Company was all smiles last night.

Several years ago a clergyman pronounced some words that made him very happy. That was when he was married to "the only gail on earth."

But the words of Judge Long yesterday brought even broader smiles to the ebony face of Moses. They were words which annulled the marriage vows, which granted Moses the divorce he longed for, which made him a free man.

Moses' married life has not been a pleasant one and in court yesterday he made most serious charges against the one he once loved so fondly and so proudly led to the marriage altar.

He told the court that one Arthur White had entered his home and stolen his wife's affections and that the two had been guilty of very wicked and unlawful conduct. Her name was Annie but Moses says its Mud now, for he's got a divorce in his inside pocket and says he don't expect the whole thing will cost him more than fifteen dollars.

Counting in the small amount he paid the preacher for marrying him, he figures it out that his matrimonial experience hasn't been so very expensive after all; although its rather "tryin'" on a fellow's nerves to have another man run off even with your no account wife.

Moses is a young negro, very respectable and is well thought of by his employes and the tenants of the block where he tends the furnace, cleans out and makes himself generally useful.

Some of his friends intimate that Moses is about ready to take another sail on the matrimonial sea but he indignantly denies this and says he knows when he's had "nuff" of a thing.

Mrs. Julia Cannon of Charlotte is a guest at the home of her father, Mr. J. W. Sherrill, west of town.