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A STARTLING EXPERIENCE.

And Narrow Escape of a Line-man in Wilmington.

Two Thousand Volts of Electricity Passed Through Him, a Blue Blaze Enveloped His Entire Body and he Yet Lives.

A rather peculiar and almost fatal accident occurred yesterday afternoon, in which George Martin, of Winston, N. C., a negro man about 24 years old, narrowly escaped losing his life.

It is reported that he was at work raising a sixty-five-foot pole near the corner of Front and Market streets in front of Solomon's store.

As the pole was being raised, it was held by a man named Martin, one of the employees of the Inter-State Telephone Company.

As soon as the wire was touched, he yelled "murder, fire!" and the workmen ran and stood underneath the pole to catch him when he fell, but in the meantime the current rolled him up in a knot and he fell about ten feet when the strap on his "climbers" caught on a spike in the post, and he hung suspended about twenty-five feet above the ground.

He was held there for some time, but when he was rescued, he was found to be in a very bad condition, and he was taken to the hospital in a carriage.

It is supposed that the shock was gotten through a pair of piers in his hip-pocket, or his hand touching the wire while he was making a short circuit.

The adventurous small boy no longer dreams of taking the war-path against the Indians, but of winning glory fighting for Cuba.

Senators Hill and Gorman might exchange something like this: The rose is red; The true, 'tis true; But I am blue, And so are you.

A very satisfactory means of preventing loss from the onion maggot is in the use of kailin, which is a considerable insecticide value. It should be applied about the roots of the plants, five hundred pounds to the acre; or as a solution one pound to the gallon of water, and the soil thoroughly wetted.

Nothing could accentuate the carelessness of people more than the official statement that 6,319,373 pieces of mail matter found their way to the Dead Letter office last year.

The leading article in the November number of the Forum will be a discussion of the third-term question by Professor John Bach McMaster, the historian, entitled "The Third-Term Tradition." Mr. McMaster cites the well known historical precedents against a Presidential third term, and thinks there is no reason to believe that the old-time antipathy to a third term is any whit less strong than it ever was.

Mr. McMaster says that while on practice of choosing Presidents, not because of their fitness, but because of their availability, is in theory all wrong, in practice no harm comes from it; for under our form of government we do not need a President of extraordinary ability; the average man is good enough, and for him two terms is ample.

What we want, in Mr. McMaster's opinion, is a strong government of the people by the people, not a government of the people by a strong man, and we ought not to tolerate anything which has even the semblance of heredity.

Mr. McMaster counsels the advocates of a third term for Mr. Cleveland to remember the doctrine of the illustrious founder of their party, that "no office can rotation be more expedient."

A N. C. LYNCHING IMMINENT. A 19 Year Old Negro Fled Shot a 19 Year Old White Girl Because She Refused to Submit to Him—Will Certainly be Lynched if Caught.

WINSTON, N. C., Nov. 18.—Bob Stales, a young colored man bound to a farmer named John Meadors, near Madison, shot and fatally wounded the twelve-year-old daughter of Thomas Belton, a tenant on Meadors' place.

Extremes always meet: this time it will be doubly so. A marriage license is said to be in the hands of residents of Raleigh whose extreme age and weight is something remarkable.

IMPORTANCE OF FARMING.

As Shown in National Legislation and in the Development of the Agricultural Department.

There is a vague idea in some quarters that the occupation of farming is one of the lost arts, and that at the present time comparatively few people are engaged in it.

It is not surprising, then, that there should be an idea that farming is in its decline, and that in the case of people who gain their livelihood from the soil is gradually diminishing in numbers.

According to Mr. M. Martin, the Secretary of Agriculture, there are in the United States more than 100,000,000 farms, which are located on 100,000,000 acres of land.

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INNOCENT MAN KILLED.

Outrage Committed by a Chicago Detective Agency.

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REGIMENTAL HISTORIES.

Of the N. C. Troops Which are Now Being Prepared.

JUDGE WALTER CLARK'S REPORT. About Half the Sketches are Written and Half Yet Remains to be Written—The Chaplain Services and Three Regiments Assigned to Four New Bureaus—Two of These Have Finished Their Work—Importance of Each Writer Doing His Part Promptly.

At the meeting of the association a year ago a resolution was passed appointing a committee of one to secure one soldier from each regiment and battalion to write a brief history of the command, with a view to publication of the complete series by the State in one or more volumes. My engagements were such that I was unable to do so, but I felt that no soldier should refuse any aid required of him to wards paying proper tribute to the memory of the great men who so long have filled the ranks of our State.

The task proved more difficult than any one could have imagined. The lapse of thirty years since the close of the war has made wider gaps in the memory of the veterans, and the few who remain are now in many instances, and some few were engaged with the business and needs of the present to be willing to assume the duty required of them by their country.

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SHACKLING OURSELVES.

At England's Dictation by a Financial Policy that Enriches Her and Oppresses Us.

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FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Senate Reorganization—Senator Butler Talks in Favor of the Good Men of the Parties Standing Together as the Good Men Do—Personal.

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THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

Resolutions in Congress—Venezuela—Annals of Hawaii.

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DR. COLUMBUS DURHAM.

The Distinguished Baptist Divine of Raleigh Who Died Friday Night—A Sketch of His Career From the News and Observer.

In the death of Rev. Columbus Durham, D. D., as announced in yesterday's issue, the Baptist denomination in North Carolina lost a most influential and industrious leader, and a figure unique in church and public relations disappears from scenes in which he has played no small part.

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SPECIFIC FOR SCROFULA.

AYER'S Sarsaparilla. Since childhood, I have been afflicted with scrofulous boils and sores, which caused me terrible suffering. Physicians were unable to help me, and I only grew worse under their treatment. At length, I began to take

