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ENTOMBED FOR TWENTY DAYS.

Horrible Experience of Thirteen Emaciated Men Who Were Rescued From Mine in France.

Lens, France, March 30th.—The disaster at the Courriers coal mines had a startling sequel today when thirteen miners were taken out alive after having endured unspeakable horrors during twenty days of entombment. The story of the survivors discloses that they lived for many days on putrid horse meat amid total darkness and in stench from scores of decaying corpses. The presence of human flesh would speedily have forced the starving men to resort to the last desperate extremity if they had not been rescued. The survivors were sturdy young miners from seventeen to twenty-five years of age except their leader, Henri Nemy, who is twenty-eight years old. All show the terrible effects of their experiences, being emaciated, exhausted and blinded. Their rescue caused a temporary nervous lucidity during which they greeted their relatives and graphically related their sufferings. The doctors then enforced quiet upon them—fearing the results of fever and poisoning from their having eaten decaying horse flesh. There were touching scenes as wives and mothers greeted those whom they had long given up dead. Crowds besieged the hospitals to which the men were taken, cheering the survivors and imprecating the effective nature of the salvage work that followed immediately after the disaster.

The rescue of these thirteen men revived the hope in many families that others are alive and the relatives of those whose bodies have not been recovered clamorously demanded that efforts be redoubled to bring out any possible survivors.

There is a report that in addition to the thirteen men who were brought up out of the mine to-day there were five others who came with them almost to the bottom of the pit, but were unable to come further on account of the exhaustion.

The total number of men missing after the catastrophe was 1,212. The bodies recovered approximately numbered 500 and there are still unaccounted for approximately 700.

The engineers explain that some outgoing fires prevented them from exploding remote passages of the mine, where it was thought that there could be no survivors. The mine owners also claim that the strike of miners reduced the number of rescuers available. Many engineers and scientists agree that all in the mine must have died long ago. Engineer Taur, however, dissents, asserting that the salvage work has been deplorably inefficient, and he believes that scores died of exhaustion owing to the poor work of the salvage companies.

Site For Goldsboro Station Agreed Upon.

Goldsboro, N. C., April 4.—The railroads interested in the building of a union passenger depot for Goldsboro this afternoon officially notified the corporation commission that they had decided upon a site, which is to be at the western terminus of Mulberry street, running south to Walnut street.

This is taken to mean that the tracks will be taken up from Centre street and deflected around the city. The drawing of the plans for the new depot was left with the Atlantic Coast Line authorities.

Their engineers are now at work on the drawings and as soon as they are completed work will begin on the new structure which is to be handsome in appearance as well as complete in every particular.

At Broad River trestle, near Gaffney, S. C., Saturday, three men were killed in a collision between a freight train and six runaway cars.

Sunday School Convention at Kenly.

The second annual convention of Johnston County Sunday School Association was convened at Kenly Saturday, March 31. Mr. D. B. Sasser, president, and Mr. D. T. Perkins, secretary. Song and devotional service, conducted by Rev. C. S. Churchill, of Kenly, marked the opening at ten o'clock Saturday morning.

Words of Welcome, by Mr. Theo. Hassell, also of Kenly, followed the opening services. Mr. Hassell is a very forceful speaker and has a wonderful personality that never fails to impress his hearers. Mr. Hassell's speech was followed by an address by Dr. F. D. Swindell, of Wilson. Subject: Reaching and Winning the Scholar for Christ. Dr. Swindell is too well known in this State to call for any introduction, and the manner in which he handled this subject does credit to his already wide-spread reputation as a forceful and deliberate speaker. At 12:30 the meeting adjourned for dinner and to meet again at 2:00 p. m.

In the afternoon Mr. D. T. Perkins of Wilson addressed the meeting on "Sunday School Management," and the enrollment of delegates and appointment of committees were taken up.

At 7:45 p. m., Mr. J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, led the meeting with prayer and praise service.

Dr. J. J. Harper, of Wilson, made a very interesting talk the subject being, "Shall the Education of the Intellect Outrank the Education of Conscience?"

Dr. Harper presented several new features to the interesting subject and highly entertained the meeting for about forty-five minutes. At the close of his address the election of officers was then taken up and the nominating committee submitted the following report, which was unanimously accepted: For president, Mr. D. B. Sasser, of Kenly; first vice president, Prof. J. P. Canada, of Benson; second vice president, Geo. F. Woodard, of Princeton; third vice president, Mr. C. W. Carter, of Clayton; secretary-treasurer, C. S. Churchill; delegates to the State convention, D. T. Perkins, T. R. Hood, of Smithfield; Miss Leona Holt, of Smithfield, after which the meeting adjourned.

At 10:00 a. m. Sunday the meeting was opened with prayer and praise service, led by Mr. John G. High, of Kenly, followed by another fine address from Mr. Broughton, of Raleigh.

Rev. Mr. Souders, of Fayetteville, delivered the convention sermon. Subject: Church Member's Duty to Sunday School Work. Text 31st, chapter of Deut., 12th verse. After this able sermon the president called for a voluntary contribution to defray the expenses of the convention, to which call the people liberally responded; also \$20.00 was raised to send to the State Association for the aid of this work in the State.

At 1 o'clock p. m. the meeting adjourned and was called to order again at 2:30. Prayer and praise service led by Rev. Churchill, of Kenly.

There was a general discussion on the value of Sunday School, led by Prof. T. A. Edmondson, principal of the Kenly Academy.

Hon. Geo. E. Hood, the popular mayor of Goldsboro, then addressed the convention for 25 minutes, using the subject, Value of Sunday School in Developing Christian Character. He very forcibly and entertainingly told of the power of the Sunday School, and urged parents to attend Sunday school and every opportunity to give them this training and influence.

A Lucky Postmistress

is Mrs. Alexander, of Cary, Me., who has found Dr. King's New Life Pills to be the best remedy she ever tried for keeping the Stomach, Liver and Bowels in perfect order. You'll agree with her if you try these painless purifiers that infuse new life. Guaranteed by Hood Bros., druggists. Price 25c.

STATE NEWS.

Dr. J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College, Durham, who has been down with sciatica several weeks, is rapidly improving.

Judge Long of the Superior Court has decided the suit of W. H. Hill and others, that the lease of the Atlantic & N. C. R. R. to the Howland Syndicate is valid.

As a result of the decision of High Point Manufacturers not to employ Union labor some 500 or 600 men went out. The factories are able to keep open with the labor they have.

Practically all of the \$125,000 capital stock of the National Cotton Mill at Lumberton has been subscribed. Every dollar of the amount subscribed was taken by Robeson county people.

Charlotte is to have a big time May 20th at their Independence Celebration. President Roosevelt has promised the Marine Band, a troop of Cavalry and a company of Marines for the occasion.

Ben Williams a negro who was on trial for his life for the killing of Alex Clark, another negro, in Raleigh February 19, was on Saturday found guilty of murder in the first degree and will be hanged.

B. F. Sprinkle, a wealthy citizen of Reidsville, who was convicted by the Federal Court and sentenced to a term of five years in the Federal prison at Atlanta and fined \$1,000, began serving his sentence Monday.

Representative Charles R. Thomas, of Newbern, Congressman from the Third District, is to have opposition for the nomination to be made this summer. Mayor George E. Hood, of Goldsboro, is a candidate, and probably there will be others.

Douglass Olds, eighteen years old, son of Col. F. A. Olds, the well known Raleigh newspaper correspondent, died Wednesday at Southern Pines of tuberculosis. The remains were interred in Raleigh. Young Olds had but recently returned from Texas, where he spent some time in the hope of regaining his strength.

The dispensary won an easy and overwhelming victory in the election in Wilson Monday. The result showed that out of about 800 votes cast the majority for the dispensary was one hundred and forty-two. The majority of the dispensary over the saloon three years ago was 21. Soon after noon Monday the anti-dispensary forces realized that they were defeated. The election was quite and orderly.

There is a move on foot in Durham county to get an act passed by the next legislature authorizing the county to issue bonds sufficient to grade and macadamize at once every important thoroughfare in the county. There was a meeting of prominent farmers, business men and lawyers in Durham Monday afternoon, the object being to get the sentiment of the people from different sections in order to frame this matter and get it in shape. There is a strong sentiment in all parts of the county for just this thing and there is no doubt that if the question is submitted to the people it will carry.

Is The Moon Inhabited.

Science has proven that the moon has an atmosphere, which makes life in some form possible on that satellite; but not for human beings, who have a hard enough time on this earth of ours; especially those who don't know that Electric Bitters cure Headache, Bilioussness, Malaria, Chills and Fever, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Torpid Liver, Kidney complaints, General Debility and Female weaknesses. Unequaled as a general Tonic and Appetizer for weak persons and especially for the aged. It induces sound sleep. Fully guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. Price only 50c.

KENLY NOTES.

Miss Eva Wellons, of Micro, visited Miss Annie Aycock Sunday.

Mr. Freddie Richardson is very sick. We hope to see him up again soon.

Myrtle Harper, of Wilson, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

Look out for the millinery opening of R. A. Hales' store the eleventh and twelfth.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sasser, of Wilson, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pope a few days last week.

Messrs. B. E. Dickinson and J. E. Dickinson, of Stanhope, visited their sister, Mrs. D. B. Sasser, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald, of Newport News, Va., is visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Darden.

Mrs. W. S. Stevens and Miss Flossie Abell, of Smithfield, were the guests of Mrs. H. F. Edger-ton during the convention.

Mrs. Hilliard Richardson and son Eddie, of near Spring Hope, came Tuesday to visit Mr. Freddie Richardson, who is very sick.

Misses Flossie and Sudie Baines returned to their home at Stanhope to-day (Tuesday) after having spent a few days with friends here.

In our last weeks items we predicted success for our new banking institution. This week we learn that shares are selling above par.

The Sunday School Convention held here Saturday and Sunday was a success. We had some of as able speakers as there are in the State among whom were Dr. F. D. Swindell and Dr. J. J. Harper, of Wilson, Mr. J. M. Broughton, of Raleigh, and Mr. Geo. E. Hood, of Goldsboro. All the speakers did justice to their subjects and they are the object of comment in our town now. Several schools were represented and the convention was fully enjoyed to the end.

April 3. Max.

Tragedy of 2500 Years ago Unearthed.

London, April 4.—A tragedy, dating back to the bronze age, which terminated in Great Britain about 500 B. C., has been discovered by the members of the Yorkshire Ramblers' Club in the course of an exploration of Littondale Cave, near the village of Arncliffe.

Various portions of a human skeleton were found, including the skull, some being buried in stalagmite, and all bearing evidence of extreme age.

Professor Boyd Dawkins, to whom the skull was submitted, believes it belonged to a female Celt, who probably lived toward the termination of the bronze age, says a correspondent of the Yorkshire Observer. She was apparently about 40 years of age, and was not good-looking, for her nose teeth projected and her nose stood nearly at right angles to her face.

The owner of the skull evidently met her death from a blow by some sharp-pointed weapon, as there is a small irregularly shaped hole, penetrating the inner table of the skull.

Probably the blow did not prove instantly fatal, and she crawled up the cave to its innermost recesses to die, the position in which the bones were found precluding the idea of burial.

At South Whitley, Ind., last week, 26 people were injured by the overturning of a railroad coach while a train was running 45 miles an hour.

Devil's Island Torture

is no worse than the terrible case of Piles that afflicted me 10 years. Then I was advised to apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and less than a box permanently cured me, writes L. S. Napier, of Rugles, Ky. Heals all wounds, Burns and Sores like magic. 25c. at Hood Bros., druggists.

CLAYTON NOTES.

Mr. John T. Talton has bought him a new horse.

Mr. I. S. Bagwell, of Raleigh, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. J. W. Massey went to Raleigh Wednesday evening.

Miss Ora Smith has returned to take up her studies at Clayton High School.

Mrs. T. E. Best, of Chapel Hill, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stallings.

Miss Bessie Denton, of Raleigh, spent Sunday here with her sister, Miss Mabel Denton.

Miss Martha Wiggs, who has been teaching up country, is home now for the vacation.

As All Fools' Day came on Sunday this time, our jokers had to leave off the bulk of the fun until Monday.

Mrs. Thel Hooks and Thel, Jr., left for their home in Smithfield Tuesday after a few days visit here with relatives.

Right much cotton on our market this week, and it brought a very good price, as is always the case on Clayton cotton market.

Services at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening by the pastor, good congregations and fine sermons, both times. It's generally always thus.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Gulley spent a few days recently with their son, Mr. S. R. Gulley, at Durham. Mrs. Gulley stopped over at Cary for a short visit to her parents.

We herald with pleasure the arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat H. Massey, of a new girl. Clayton is proud of her girls and any addition to the ranks is received with joy.

We have a sure-enough skating rink now. Mr. Parham Barnes has rented the old dispensary and cleaned it out, making a splendid rink. Our folks have the fever allright enough.

Messrs. J. L. and J. D. Johnson have sold out their business here to Messrs. Beckwith Parrish and C. L. Barnes and have moved to Raleigh where they have a stall in the City market house.

A number of our townfolks attended the closing exercises of the school taught at Shotwell by Miss Annie Boone, last Friday night. They report a splendid entertainment and a fine time.

Messrs. Hilliard and Richardson held their millinery opening Wednesday. All the new creations in millinery conceivable were on display. The National Biscuit Co's demonstration was held at the same time and place and naturally added to the attractions.

April 4. Yelir.

A Goon Sermon.

"There!" exclaimed the Rev. Mr. Gasaway, as he finished writing his sermon. "I flatter myself that very few preachers could beat that bit of eloquence." "What's your text, dear?" asked his wife. "Let nothing be done through vain-glory."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Human Blood Marks.

A tale of horror was told by marks of human blood in the home of J. W. Williams, a well known merchant of Bac, Ky. He writes: "Twenty years ago I had severe hemorrhages of the lungs, and was near death when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It completely cured me and I have remained well ever since." It cures Hemorrhages, Chronic Coughs, Settled Colds and Bronchitis, and is the only known cure for Weak Lungs. Every bottle guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

As a consequence of the impending strike of 509,000 coal miners, the price of coal was advanced from 25 to 50 cents a ton in Philadelphia, Saturday.

SELMA NEWS.

Mr. A. D. Hinnant, of Wilders, was here Wednesday.

Mrs. Ira T. Rains and Master Godwin Rains went to Raleigh Monday.

Mrs. Iredele Godwin, who has been on a visit to her son, Conary Godwin, Esq., left for her home Wednesday.

Mr. Atlas Batton, of Wilders Township, visited his father, N. R. Batton, our popular chief of police, last Sunday.

The millinery openings of Mr. W. E. Smith and Mrs. A. Jones were largely attended—hats and other things dretty and cheap.

United States Commissioner Ithial W. Massey has been kept busy this week with moonshiners. The "Revenooers" captured a still near Rufus Batton's on Buffalo Creek and brought Batton and Robert Lamb in on the charge of running it. Batton was released on bail and Lamb put in jail. The "Revenooers" brought in a still captured about fifteen miles from Smithfield but did not get the parties.

SENEX.

Dr. Robinson's Mother Dead.

In the death of Mrs. Margaret D. Robinson, relict of the late John Robinson, which occurred at her home in this city Tuesday morning at 6:30 o'clock, one of the oldest and greatly beloved citizens has passed away. She was born in Ireland on February 17th, 1820, and with her husband came to Goldsboro in 1846, where she has since resided, her husband preceding her to the grave 23 years ago this month. The funeral was held from St. Mary's Catholic Church yesterday morning at o'clock, and the interment took place at Tara, the family farm, three miles from the city, beside her late husband. A truly good woman has gone to her reward.—Goldsboro Head-light.

SWINEY OLD FIELD NEWS.

Mr. L. F. Austin, went over to Clayton Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stallings, of Benson, visited parents in this section last Sunday.

Mr. Herman Talton and sister, of "Chillie," spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Victor Austin.

Mr. Durwood and Miss Myrtle Austin visited in the Teachburg section, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. R. C. Tiner, who has been confined to her bed for several weeks, is thought to be some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Cox have returned home after spending some time with relatives in Greene county.

Mr. Milton Stallings, who is now a student at Kings Business College, Raleigh, was here Sunday with relatives.

Elder Major Langdon, of the Primitive Baptist church, preached at the home of Mr. R. C. Tiner Sunday night. There were several present, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Page of Clayton, being among the number.

Thus far, no corn has been planted which is quite unusual as some of our farmers plant most of their crop in March. There is plenty time yet to make a crop so be of good cheer for our greatest misfortunes are those which never come.

April, 3rd. Pat.

Modern Youth.

"Why are you not at school?" sternly inquired the parent meeting his son in the street. The lad was not much embarrassed.

"Fact is, dad," he responded, "there's something the matter with the teacher's temper, and I'm giving it absent treatment."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

When you don't make love to a girl she thinks it is because you misunderstand her.