

"OLD IRONSIDES" COMING.

Famous Frigate Constitution To Be Exhibited At The Jamestown Exposition.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 27.—A report received from the Charleston Navy Yard, Boston, Mass., states that the famous old sea fighter, the "Constitution" is now undergoing repairs, subsequent to a visit to Jamestown Ter Centennial Exposition, to be held on the shores of Hampton Roads. The vessel has been in Charleston Navy Yard since October, 1897, where she was towed from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and owing to many years neglect, it will be almost midsummer before she will be able to join in the grand naval pageantry, that will be on display during the period of the Jamestown Exposition. Only structural repairs are now being made on the Constitution, but a movement is on foot to collect the many souvenirs and equipment taken from the vessel at the various times, so that she will have as near as possible, her original appearance.

The Constitution is 175 feet in length, and 42 feet in width, with a normal load draught of 1970 tons. No ship of ancient or modern type has had such a glorious career as the Constitution.

Such was the uniformity of her success that the British Admiralty ordered that the English frigates should not fight her unless they met her in force. On August 19th, 1812, she fought the Guerriere for four hours, leaving the latter a total wreck, which could not even be brought into port as a prize. Under Commodore Bainbridge off the coast of Brazil in December of the same year she captured the British Frigate Java after a sharp fight. Again off Cape Verde Islands in a fight that lasted less than an hour, the Constitution, under Captain Stewart, captured both the Frigate Cyane and the Sloop L'Avant, although these ships were far superior to the Constitution.

In the midst of the modern warships of the representative countries of the world old "Iron Sides" anchored in historic Hampton Roads, will be one of the most interesting and educational exhibits of the exposition.

FOR STOMACH SUFFERERS.

Don't Use Any Remedy That Keeps Its Formula a Secret.

People troubled with stomach weakness cannot afford to use a medicine unless they know what it contains.

Mi-o-na is the one remedy for stomach troubles that publishes its formula: chemically pure bismuth subgallate, to allay any inflammation of the stomach and bowels; cerium oxalate, to strengthen the stomach nerves; sodium bi-carbonate, to neutralize the poisonous acids that are present in the stomach troubles; and nuxvomica, which restores vigor to the digestive organs and tones up the whole nervous system.

This combination of valuable remedies is found only in Mi-o-na stomach tablets, and it so rarely fails to strengthen the digestive system, and cure even the worst form of stomach trouble, that Hood Bros. sell the remedy under guarantee to refund the money unless it cures.

A 50c box of Mi-o-na will give quick relief for indigestion, distress after eating, sleeplessness, or any of the other symptoms of stomach troubles. Unless it does this, the cost is nothing.

So She Did.

"Last week," began the teacher, "we took up the story of Lot and his wife. Now, who can tell me what Lot's wife turned to?"

"Please, ma'am," said the smallest scholar, "she turned to look."—Perrine Lambert in Woman's Home Companion for January.

Does coffee disagree with you? Probably it does! Then try Dr. Shoop's health coffee. "Health Coffee" is a clever combination of parched cereals and nuts. Not a grain of real coffee, remember, in Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee, yet its flavor and taste matches closely old Java and Mocha Coffee. If your stomach, heart, or kidneys can't stand Coffee drinking, try Health Coffee. It is wholesome, nourishing and satisfying. It's nice even for the youngest child. Sold by Hood Bros.

Flour! White Star Co. is the place.

Gen. Beverly S. Royster.

The newspaper people of the state ought not to forget Gen. Beverly S. Royster, of Granville, who so eloquently eulogized and defended the editors of North Carolina from the implied charge that they were bought and owned by the railroads. He not only secured the passage of his amendment leaving the law relating to contracts as it now stands, but said among other things:

"Editors cannot be bought, subsidized or muzzled. They are on a higher plane. They have done more than any other class of people for North Carolina. They stand for the moral uplift and make fewer mistakes than any other class of our citizens."

"His tribute to the press," said the New and Observer, "was warm, glowing and appreciative."

Gen. Royster is easily a leader in the house and one of the biggest men in the legislature. If there were more of him down there, there would be more brains mixed up with our laws. Under Gov. Aycock he was adjutant-general for four years. He is a prominent Mason and has been Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. He is a Baptist and in his home town of Oxford he stands high with his people. The most remarkable thing about him is that, although a very able lawyer with a fine practice, with a highly educated man, he never spent an hour in a college, and had to leave even the old field schools at the age of 14. He educated himself, and is pre-eminently a self-made man. The fifth district has no bigger, better man in it and the people over there ought to be proud of him. He is a clean, honorable, able Christian gentleman, with the elements so mixed in him that any body can see he is a man.—Lexington Dispatch.

"Preventics" will promptly check a cold or the Grippe when taken early or at the "sneezing stage." Preventics cure seated colds as well. Preventics are little candy cold cure tablets, and Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. will gladly mail you samples and a book on Colds free, if you will write him. The samples prove their merit. Check early Colds with preventics and stop pneumonia. Sold in 5c and 25c boxes by Hood Bros.

The Old North State.

In a recent speech in Charlotte, Governor Glenn made the following exhibit of progress for North Carolina:

"We now have in North Carolina 3,000,000 persons, when we had only 900,000 thirty-six years ago. Our wealth has increased from \$260,000,000 to a billion dollars; our debt has been reduced from \$40,000,000 to absolutely nothing. We have \$10,000,000 assets with which to meet outstanding obligations of \$6,000,000. Thirty-six years ago we had no spindles to speak of, no roads; we were known as the Rip Van Winkle State. Now all this has changed. Five years ago North Carolina stood third in cotton manufacturing in the United States; now we stand second, and two years from now we shall be first."

But while making progress in trade and industry, North Carolina has been growing also in education. Her schools have kept pace with her factories, and in her public school system, as well as in her university and colleges, she can make an exhibit of which any State might be proud; and much of it is due to the energy and sacrifice of Charles D. Melver, to whose memory a monument is soon to be erected. Hurrah for the Old North State.—Richmond-Times Dispatch.

Why Statesville is Progressive.

An advertiser in the Durham Herald credits Statesville with being perhaps the most progressive town in western North Carolina, and assigns as a reason that "the people of Statesville stick together—they are loyal to Statesville." What is true of Statesville may also be true in regard to all towns. Let the spirit of town loyalty be cultivated. We not only create a stronger love toward our fellows, but in standing together almost everything strived for can be attained.—Albemarle Enterprise.

Congress has increased the pay of Congressmen from \$5,000 to \$7,500 a year. Those "in" will want to go back at that price, but meanwhile the people will be looking around for real \$7,500 men.—Wilmington Star.

DESERTED BY BOY-HUSBAND.

A Woman, Aged 80 Years, Looking for Seventeen-Year-Old Husband.

Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 15.—Mrs. M. A. Arant, aged 80 years, is looking for her youthful husband, T. F. Arant, who mysteriously disappeared a short time ago. The deserted wife is greatly distressed over the disappearance of her young husband, who was just turned 17.

Mrs. Arant lives at Switzer, about six miles from Spartanburg. She is the owner of a large and valuable farm. About two years ago she hired Arant to work as a laborer on the farm, furnishing him his board. He proved a faithful laborer, for he made good crops, and the owner of the farm reaped a rich harvest from her fields. After living with his employer for a year, young Arant commenced to court the old lady, and she fell to his whisperings of love. They were married, and the young husband worked harder than ever and the lands he tilled produced excellent crops.

Finally, after living with his aged wife, Arant decided he wanted to see something of the world, and he took his departure, likewise about \$100 of his wife's money. Young Arant failed to say good-bye to Mrs. Arant and inform her as to his probable destination.

Mrs. Arant is greatly concerned over the loss of her husband. She is anxious for him to return, as he is badly needed at this season, since arrangements are being made for the next season's crop.—Charlotte Observer.

Died at Age of 114 Years.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 20.—Frederick Messer, the South's oldest citizen, famous as a hunter and trapper before civilization blazed a trail across the Blue Ridge Mountains, is dead at his home in Haywood county, at the age of 114 years.

Messer was born August 12, 1792, in Lincoln county, and in early life, when Western Carolina was peopled by the Cherokees, he located in the mountains, 21 miles from what is now Waynesville. He was hale and vigorous up to within a few months of his death, frequently walking to Waynesville to attend the county court, and once every year, on his birthday, swimming the pigeon river, which runs by his mountain home. His age is established by authentic records. He used tobacco and the corn whiskey of the mountains in moderation all his life.

Willie and Papa.

Willie—"Papa, if I am a liar will I go to the bad place?"

Tickenham—"Certainly. Why?"

Willie—"I was thinking how far away you and I would be from mother."—Chesterton Todd in Woman's Home Companion for March.

A Colorado newspaper, boasting of the rise of Senator Guggenheim, smelting trust magnate, says, "he began life barefooted." Neither did he have on a stitch of clothes, and didn't have any pocket to put a cent in if he had it.—Wilmington Star.

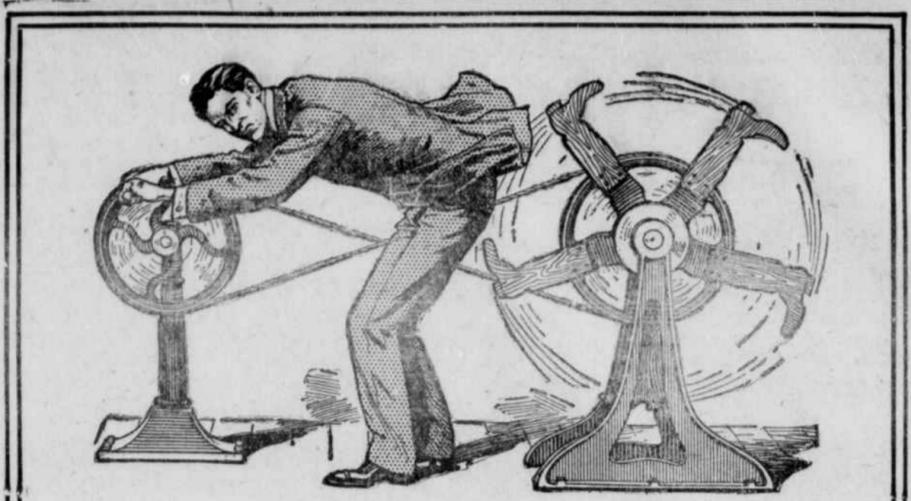
The Misery

that sick women endure, in the back, hips, legs, etc., the headaches, waist and side pains, falling feelings, nervousness, irregular periods and other suffering can be relieved or cured, as were those of Mrs. Lucy Rowe, of Gifford, Ill., by taking

WINE OF CARDUI WOMAN'S RELIEF

She writes: "For 4 years I suffered terrible pains in my side, from female trouble. Wine of Cardui cured them. They were better before I finished one bottle. The doctor wanted to operate on me, but I took Cardui instead, and now I am nearly well." Cardui is a cure for disorders of the womanly functions. Try it.

At all Druggists, \$1.00



This man bought a supply of tobacco without acquainting himself with the distinctive taste of SCHNAPPS Tobacco, which has the cheering qualities that gratify his desire to chew, and at less expense than cheap tobacco.

SCHNAPPS has been advertised in this paper so that every chewer has had an opportunity to get acquainted with the facts and know that drugs are not used to produce the cheering quality found in the famous Piedmont country flue-cured tobaccos, and that SCHNAPPS is what he ought to chew. Still there are chewers who accept other and cheaper tobaccos that do not give the same pleasure.

Some day they'll get a taste of the real Schnapps—they'll realize what enjoyment they've missed by not getting SCHNAPPS long ago—then they'll feel like kicking themselves.

SCHNAPPS is sold everywhere in 5 cent cuts, and 10 and 15 cent plugs. Be sure you get the genuine.



Mules For Sale!

I have just received a car load of Fine Mules and will get others and have plenty of mules on hand all the season. Call to see my mules before buying and I will make it interesting for you.

ALONZO PARRISH, Benson, N. C.

REDUCTIONS SALE

In order to make room for Spring Goods, I will for the next 30 days offer my entire line of Clothing, Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Etc., at greatly reduced prices. I have just received big lot of Ladies Woolen dress goods for the spring some of the prettiest patterns you ever saw, to run from 25c to \$1.00 per yard. I am closing out the stock of goods recently purchased of W. R. Denning at his old stand. If you are seeking bargains now is your opportunity. This stock must be sold at once. Come to see us.

Yours truly,

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