

AGED KENTUCKY COUPLE.

Former Tar Heel in Role of Bridegroom at Age Ninety-three.

London, Ky., Jan. 30.—Jno. Regle, aged 93, was married to Lucy Metcalf, aged fifty six, at Thanksley, Clay county. Regle's first wife's funeral sermon was preached just two days before his marriage. The custom in that part of the country is to have a special funeral sermon preached about one year after the death of a person, though the customary services are conducted at the time of the burial.

Regle and his first wife, Patsie, were well known on Beech Creek, where they had lived a great many years, being the oldest couple in that entire section of the country. Aunt Patsie declared a short time before her death that she was 104 years old.

Both old people were of the primitive type which predominated in Eastern Kentucky fifty years ago. Their methods of living were exceedingly frugal and simple, nearly everything they used being raised or manufactured at home upon their farm on Beech Creek, and they were remarkably hardy of body.

Years ago John Regle would go to Manchester on court days, and, according to the prevailing customs, spend the day upon the streets, gossiping with his neighbors from other parts of the country. One of his favorite forms of entertainment or a crowd of court-day loungers was to place one hand over his eyes and invite any man in the crowd to strike him upon the forehead with his fist as hard as he chose to strike. He seemed to feel no discomfort whatever from a heavy blow upon the head.

He served in the Mexican war and was a union soldier in the civil war. He is now drawing a pension of \$30 per month. Many years ago he declared that his lungs were practically gone, was examined and received an increase in his pension. He shows wonderful vitality for a man of his years.

He was born in Buncombe county, N. C., about the time of the inauguration of James Monroe as president of the United States. He enjoys relating the incidents of the Mexican war and of the early days of the country. A large crowd of people gathered for the wedding. There were so many that the house where the ceremony was to be performed would not hold the people. So Regle took his bride, went into the yard and stood in the open air while the ceremony was performed.

The aged groom proved a veritable "cut-up" at the ceremony and hugged and kissed his bride in true youthful fashion, much to the delight of the large assemblage.

London Fogs.

A certain undesired supremacy has always been granted to London in the matter of fogs, and the London pea-souper has always been considered unequalled in its way. But things have changed a good deal of late. In the first place, those of late years, notably that at the beginning of this month, have been overhead fogs, which made the noonday like night, although in the streets it was perfectly clear, and there was little or no dislocation of traffic. This is said to be owing to the fact that a few hundred feet up the air is cold enough to condense the moisture, whereas in the streets the air is warm enough to keep the moisture uncondensed. This variety of fog is certainly the least objectionable, for it enables people to go about their business without groping along the walls in utter darkness, as used to be the case. Another change that must be noted is the prevalence of fogs in Paris, notably in the present month, when in the first week the fog was much worse on the banks of the Seine than on the banks of the Thames. Some years ago when Paris burned wood, the city had no real fogs, but now that it has taken to burning coal it has imported the "London particular." And as the Seine at Paris is not tidal, there is less chance of a breeze to carry away the fog than there is even in London.—London Globe.

The Primary System.

The Charleston News and Courier says, and repeats, that under the primary system a John C. Calhoun would be unable to defeat one of the assiduous "Department" statesmen now in Congress from South Carolina. It does not think that the intellectual tastes of Mr. Calhoun would even admit of his embarking in a primary contest. Undoubtedly the News and Courier is quite right. The primary system for Congressmen and State officers does not lack good points, but it likewise has points which are evil in the extreme—such points, for example, as Jeffries Davis, the successor of a gentleman and a soldier.—Charlotte Observer.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

New York city postoffice handles over 100,000,000 pounds of mail matter in six months.

Larne county, Ky., where Abraham Lincoln was born has voted dry by a majority of 1,055.

It is costing \$100,000 a day to care for the thousands made destitute by the earthquake in Italy.

C. W. Rucker has sued 198 Kentucky night riders for cruel treatment, laying his damages at \$50,000.

Eight thousand soldiers are working in the ruins in Messina, clearing away debris and erecting temporary shelters.

The government has sued for the recovery of 353,288 acres of land in Oregon within the old Oregon and California land grant.

Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, has filed a suit for divorce from her husband, William H. Leavitt, the artist.

Senator Milton, of Florida, has introduced a bill in Congress to prevent marriage between white persons and negroes in the District of Columbia.

The bodies of the American Consul at Messina, and his wife, were recovered Saturday and sent to Naples, whence they will be shipped to this country.

Of the appropriation made by Congress for the earthquake sufferers \$500,000 will be used in building houses, vessels carrying material for 3,000 from this country.

The executive committee of the Southern Commercial Congress has taken the first step toward erecting the million dollar building in Washington.

Ten white men and 150 natives were drowned in the Witwaterand gold mine in the Transvaal, which was flooded by the bursting of a dam last week.

A pair of surgeon's forceps, sewed in her abdomen after an operation 11 years ago, caused the death of Miss Mary G. Donovan, of Philadelphia last week.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Stuart K. Lupton, of Tennessee, to be consul at Messina, Italy, vice Arthur S. Cheney, who was killed in the recent earthquake.

Secretary of the Interior Garfield has obtained information of a startling character of allegations that \$100,000,000 in public lands, principally in Western States have been fraudulently acquired.

John Osborne, supposed to be the oldest mail carrier and probably the oldest employe of the Postal Department, celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday at his home in Osborne, O., last Friday.

Losses in Wall Street.

During the week ending September 26, 1908, there was sold \$568,752,000 worth of stock, and during the same week \$19,471,500 in bonds. In other words, the value of the stock presumed to be sold was over twenty-seven times the value of the bonds actually sold. The total number of bonds reported may all have been honestly sold, but the total shares of stock were just as certainly not honestly sold. Most members of the New York Stock Exchange will tell you that only about 1 per cent of the sales of stocks is for actual investment, the balance being sales upon margin, invariably simply gambling contracts. But let us be conservative and acknowledge that one-tenth of the sales are for investment. If we deduct ten per cent from the sales of the week we have been considering, we find that 5,018,400 shares were dealt in on margin, an average of 836,400 shares a day. At 10 points margin this would mean that every day the sum of \$8,364,000 was risked in gambling contracts on the New York Stock Exchange. Take the most generous estimate of winning orders, one out of four, and figure that the unsuccessful gamblers lost but half their margins, and we find a gross loss in one day of \$3,186,500. During 1907 the winnings of the bank at Monte Carlo were \$7,500,000. Wall street takes more than that from its gamblers in two and a half days.—Frederick S. Dickson, in Everybody's.

Cut Off Sampson.

Until a few years ago Johnston County elected two Representatives and one Senator and we had no trouble about it. We elected our men each time. Since then Sampson and Harnett were placed with Johnston to make a senatorial district. Last election we lost our Senator by this arrangement. Sampson is Republican territory and will no doubt continue to be for some time. We think the thing to do is to cut it off and let them run things as they please. While Sampson and Johnston are adjoining counties they are far apart in their way of seeing

GOOD OIL AND NEEDLES.

I sell none but the best sewing machine oil and needles. Remember I keep New Home sewing machines to go with the oil and needles I wanted. J. M. BEATY, Smithfield, N. C.

VETERAN OF THE SENATE.

Approaching Retirement of the Hon. Henry M. Teller.

With the exception of his nearly three years of service as Secretary of the Interior in Mr. Arthur's Cabinet, the Hon. Henry Moore Teller has been a Senator since 1876. Apart from his silver heresy, which he shared with the people of his State and which he defended with a knowledge and skill remote from the vague and sentimental yammering of so many silver advocates, he has been and remains substantially a Republican; and his long experience, his familiarity with precedents, his clearness of intellect, and practical grasp of the principles and details of legislation, especially as it affects the West, have made him one of the wisest and most valuable of Senators. He is an elder in that illustrious body. He sat a generation ago with men like Blaine, Morton, Edmunds, Morrill, Conkling, John Sherman, Allison, Ingalls, Simon Cameron, Bayard. His term runs from toward the end of Grant's administration to the beginning of Taft's. He has seen many mutations of policy and fame, sudden heroes, and obscurities almost as sudden. He is of the class in which the Senate has never been wanting; the men of long heads, of courage, of thoughtfulness, of training in affairs.—New York Sun.

SOUTHERN JOHNSTON ITEMS.

Mr. Wilbert Stafford who has been absent for some time working at the carpenter's trade is spending a few days at home with his mother, Mrs. Lou Stafford.

Mr. Julius Andrews, from near Chapel Hill, after having spent some time with relatives and friends in this community, returned home Saturday.

Mr. R. B. Ezzell of Wayne, visited in this community a few days ago.

Miss Ida Smith, of Orange county, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this community, returned home Saturday.

Miss Nettie Andrews left Saturday to visit friends and relatives near Chapel Hill.

Miss Mary Fields, from near Princeton, was a visitor in this community a few days ago.

We presume that from the number of new residences now being erected in this locality that there will be at least one extra news item for publication in the near future.

SOUTHSIDE REPORTER.

Jan. 25.

Revolts At Cold Steel.

"Your only hope," said three doctors to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, Detroit, Mich., suffering from severe rectal trouble, lies in an operation," "then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent Appendicitis, cure Constipation, Headache, 25c at Hood Bros.

The estimated total wealth of the United States is nearly twice of England. According to the latest estimates obtainable the rating is as follows: United States, \$116,000,000,000; Great Britain and Ireland, \$62,200,000,000; France, \$42,800,000,000; Germany \$42,000,000,000; Russia \$35,000,000,000; Austria-Hungary, \$20,000,000,000.—Springfield Republican.

COTTER-UNDERWOOD CO. have just received a car Guano for tobacco beds.

Bad Backache

Such agonies as some women suffer, every month, from backache!

Is it necessary? No. It can be prevented and relieved, when caused by female trouble, by taking a medicine with specific, curative action, on the female organs and functions, which acts by relieving the congestion, stopping the pain and building the organs and functions up to a proper state of health. Try.

WINE OF CARDUI WOMAN'S RELIEF

"I suffered for 15 years," writes Mrs. Malinda A. Akers, of Busham, Va., "with various female troubles. I had such a backache that it drew me over, so I could not stand straight. The doctors could not help me, so I took Cardui, and now I feel like a new woman."

At All Druggists

WRITE FOR FREE ADVICE, stating age and describing symptoms, to Ladies Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. E 38

WENDELL NEWS.

Messrs C. S. Hobgood, R. B. Whitely and A. S. Johnson went to Raleigh today.

Mr. A. R. Richardson, who has been confined to his bed for about a week, was able to attend to some business today, we are glad to say.

Mr. Foster May happened to the misfortune to get his hand badly cut by the cut off saw at his father's mill Friday afternoon. He is getting along fine now although it was feared that he would lose part of his hand at first.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith Paul, of Washington, N. C., spent several days here last week visiting Dr. Underhill's family.

Rev. J. O. Guthrie, of Raleigh, preached here Sunday morning and night at M. E. church in the absence of the pastor.

There is quite a demand for houses here at present. If some one would build 10 or 15 houses they could rent them at a good price at once.

BO'S.

Wendell, Jan. 27.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Atlantic and North Carolina Company for the issuance of a new certificate of stock in lieu of certificate No. 276 lost or mislaid.

M. C. S. NOBLE.

Dr. R. J. NOBLE.

Selma, N. C., Feb. 1, 1909.

NOTICE.

If any one wants a house built, I will do your work at reasonable price. My terms are one-third cash and balance in one and two years time. Address me at Selma, N. C.

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I want to buy 5000 bushels country corn at once. Will pay the market price in cash. The Cash Rack-et Co., Four Oaks, N. C.

THOROUGHbred BULL—I have a registered thoroughbred Guernsey Bull whose services can be had by applying to me. Price \$2.00. Splendid dairy stock. A. H. BOYETT, Wilson's Mills, R. F. D. No. 1.

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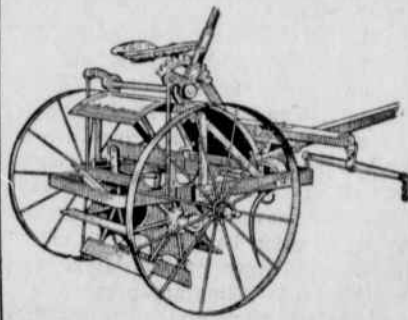
Smithfield, N. C.

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Hall Hardware Company,

Benson, N. C.

New Line of Stoves

We have just added to our stock of furniture an excellent line of cook stoves and heaters which are guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction. They are made of the best material obtainable and so far as quality, long service and satisfaction are concerned they are unexcelled. We carry stoves and heaters in all sizes and styles and at prices to suit you.

We have also just received one car furniture and two cars of American and Ellwood field fencing and are now prepared to give you excellent values in both furniture and fence. When you are in need of furniture or stoves or anything in home-furnishing and wire fence, it will be greatly to your interest to call to see us. Yours very truly,

Rose & Co., Benson, N. C.