

THE GASTONIA GAZETTE is authorized to publish the information that cotton seed meal will run points high out of the patch.

No, not exactly. We have no experimental acquaintance with the remedy, but simply gave the information as 'twas given to us.

There are two things which give Gaston county peculiar distinction. The census reports show that of the 97 counties in North Carolina, the largest percentage (57.1) of increase of population was made by Gaston county.

The action of the Cabarrus county farmer who persistently refuses to become a candidate for office is justly commended by the papers.

Dr. Bright, of the Cherry Tree Company, sets out on a head of \$2,000. Dr. Frank Bright, of the Amos Owen Cherry Tree Company, who was brought here Sunday night from Texas, and placed in jail pending a preliminary hearing, was yesterday released on bond of \$2,000.

Against The Cigarette. In a little tract entitled the Devil's Sunday School, Willis Brown, Field Organizer of the American Anti-Cigarette League, says:

The president of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad discovered that cigarette smokers were unsatisfactory railroad men and so issued an order discharging them unless they would abandon the habit.

After two days in office as superintendent of Durham county home and work house, Mr. R. H. Cash, aged about 50, committed suicide by shooting himself. He was given the position upon the resignation of the former officer, and two days later in a talk between himself and the chairman of the county commission, it was decided that Cash did not have sufficient education to keep the records.

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WOULD BUY PHILIPPINES.

Carnegie Said to Have Offered to Buy Back Purchase Price if he Could Secure Independence of the Islanders.

Washington, May 15.—Much discussion was aroused here on the story printed in New York to-day that Andrew Carnegie offered to furnish the twenty-million this country paid Spain for the Philippines if by that means he could be enabled to assure the Filipinos that their independence would ultimately be acknowledged by the United States.

The statement was made by Geo. F. Seward, of New York, president of the Fidelity and Casualty Company, who is a warm friend of Carnegie and says he is the original anti-imperialist.

A Voice from Cut-off-Town. Yes, friends, it is true we are cut off from the world socially, but we must say that if we had been cut-off long ago, we certainly would have no small-pox in McAdenville to-day.

Our town escaped longer than most places, and would be free from such to-day if it hadn't been brought in from other places. However, there is some consolation in the fact that it was brought in by the white people, and not by the colored race.

Moreover, the disease would never have spread so widely here, if the practicing physicians hadn't neglected it so long. But as soon as they found out what the trouble was, they lost no time in trying to put it down.

There is not a more healthful town in the county than this, and everything pertaining to health is looked after and kept in order by the business men of the town.

As for the sympathy of the Gastonia friend, we believe sympathy like charity should be held out to suffering ones at home, as we learned from Dr. Jenkins, of Dallas, that there are twelve cases of small-pox in Gastonia at the time of this writing.

Very few persons are out of the mill on account of it, and business in general is run with about as much force as ever.

May 15, 1902.

REMARKABLE LAW SUIT.

Quite a remarkable damage suit against the Seaboard Air Line Railroad is on trial in Moore Superior Court this week. In 1900 H. J. Seawell, of Moore county, was the Populist-Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor. He went to Shelby to make a speech and while waiting for a train at the Seaboard Air Line depot he was pelted with stale eggs.

THE CIGARETTE.

There is no agency to-day so destructive to the moral and physical life of the young as this insignificant white-robed plighting of death. The evil of cigarette smoking has become so great that every state in the Union has passed some form of prohibitory laws.

SMOKE AT 7, DRINK AT 14.

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FARMER, MERCHANT, MILL MAN.

Let These Three be Chosen to Represent Gaston in the Legislature.

It appears that the political pot is warming up in Gaston county, and the voters are casting about for suitable men to represent our county in the next legislature.

A thought suggests itself to me that I believe will be of interest to the majority of the voters of the county. 'Tis this: we are entitled to three representatives: a senator, and two legislators. Let us choose one man from each of the three leading interests of our county.

Ten years ago Gaston was away down at the bottom of the list of counties, both in wealth and number of people. To-day it is one of the richest and very best counties in this or any other state. Of course the milling interest accounts largely for the rapid increase in wealth and population, but it isn't the only factor; the farming and mercantile interests have kept abreast and aided very materially in the up-building of the county.

Let's send a farmer, a merchant and a manufacturer to the next legislature. If it fair, and good men can be had to represent each of these interests.

FAIR PLAY.

May 17, 1902.

MCADENVILLE ITEMS.

At this time, when our town is looked upon by our neighbors as a hot bed of a very malignant disease, and the whole place is turned into a large hospital with a morgue in the yard, and when words of sympathy and cheer are very scarce, and when all kinds of ludicrous tales are afloat, our people turn to THE GAZETTE, where they have found kind words of sympathy for us in our ostracized condition.

We would like to say, without drawing any one over the coals, that this whole affair is very much misrepresented by people who have no other end in view than to tell excitable tales. These wild reports are causing untold suffering among our neighbors, who are ignorant of the true state of affairs and therefore are frightened to their wits, end. Many of these false reports make our people angry but, upon reflection, they "consider the source" and let them go.

Well, about all we have been vaccinated and we are doing all in our power to stamp out the disease. It is a common thing to see people with their arms in slings, sore from vaccination, and no one thinks of saying "good morning" but, instead of this greeting, they say "how's your arm?"

The mill is short of help at present as so many arms are sore at once. If vaccination is a preventive, and "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," then what may a ton of prevention be expected to do? We reasonably look for small-pox to make its exit, and "Richard will be himself again."

The newborn infant of Mr. J. J. Coles died here Saturday and was buried at Ebenezer Sunday. There was no preaching at the Methodist church as the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney, was conducting a series of meetings at Epworth Church, Concord, and could not get home.

Miss Katie Webb, daughter of Superintendent G. L. Webb, returned home last week from Catawba College, and is now enjoying vacation among her young friends.

A. L. Baker & Co. are making improvements about their store, putting on new window blinds, or shutters, and otherwise improving the appearance of things.

Contractor Clemmer, with his force, completed a very heavy and difficult job last week for the McAden Mills, putting in new water gates on the race. He also built a shed over the gates to protect them in future.

Lumbermen is to have a new jail after modern designs furnished by McMichael, of Charlotte.

MADRID IS ALL OAT.

The Coronation Attracts Multitude of Strangers.

Madrid, May 15.—The festivities in connection with the coronation of the king are proceeding without a hitch. The weather today is generally fair, with an occasional shower. The light rainfall, has no material effect on the merry-makers, and the streets are crowded. The scene in the streets is most picturesque. All the buildings are elaborately hung with bunting, and this, added to the bright uniforms of soldiers and the dresses of the women makes the city a kaleidoscope of colors.

There has been a heavy influx of visitors from the provinces and abroad. Government officials say there are at present 70,000 strangers in the city, and others are still coming.

At noon the foreign ambassadors to the coronation were presented to King Alfonso. Public interest to-day centers in the expected arrival of the foreign princes. The Dukes of Genoa and Oporto are already here. All the princes, both Spanish and foreign, will be tendered a grand banquet in the palace this evening.

AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Too deep cultivation is injurious to corn. The first cultivation should be rather deep. The ground should be stirred as little as possible. Simply pulverize the crust and kill the weeds. The roots of corn extend laterally a few inches beneath the surface and when the plow shovels expose them or tear through them, injury is done to the growing plant.

If a young man wants to be independent at 40, he must deny himself at 20, and save his earnings. He can't "go out with the boys" and spend his money. A Gaston County lad at 17 went to work on a farm at \$7 per month. In two years he saved \$150, and married a nice sensible girl. To-day he is worth \$6,000.

"The first requisite in the successful management of harvest is to have the best of machinery and to keep it in good order. If it is a new machine there will not be much bother, but if it has been run for several years it should be overhauled. Have plenty of teams as well as man force when harvest begins, so the work may be pushed rapidly. Buy the best twine. Harvest wheat early rather than late. Do not wait until the grain is fully ripe, if it can be avoided. The proper time is when the wheat is in the tough dough state just as the stalks begin to turn a golden yellow."

"The best way to put up a shock of wheat is to set up 10 sheaves in a compact form well braced at the bottom, heads leaning toward the center, butts well settled to the ground capped with two sheaves broken in the middle laid on in the form of a cross, ends well spread out. Time is valuable when harvest begins. Delay means loss."

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TIRES SET COLD.

One Patron Says he Never Saw a Better Job.

This is a picture of the machine at R. C. Warren's shop that sets tires cold without removing them from the wheel.



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This is to certify that I have seen "Henderson's Cold Iron Shrinker," in operation at Mr. Robert Warren's shop in Gastonia and consider it the best machine I ever saw for tightening loose tires on a buggy or wagon wheel.

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THE BOERS IN BATTLE

Edward B. Ross Describes Their Methods of Warfare.

BOOOTING OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

French and Italian Scouts Have Rendered Very Valuable Services. "Crew Nests" Another Plan of Guarding Against Surprise—Triple-ent System of Trenches Affects Effective Protection.

A branch of warfare to which the Boers attach almost supreme importance, and rightly so, is scouting, writes Edward B. Ross in the April Forum. At this their roving habits and mode of life make them particularly adept, although during the present war some of the most valuable work in this direction has been performed by attendants. Two corps of scouts, one composed of Frenchmen under Captain Le Gallien and the other of Italians under the command of Captain Bleckherd, both recruited in Johannesburg during the earlier months of the war, rendered services of almost incalculable value to the Boer cause. Of us essentially cautious nature, the Boers never think of moving in any new direction until the country has been thoroughly reconnoitered by scouting parties and the enemy has been located, and it is to this fact that their marvelous mobility is largely due. Having ascertained the position of their opponents and calculated the numbers likely to be engaged at any given point, the scouts report to the general of the force to which they are attached, and the burghers are then shifted from one position to another so as to be ready for all emergencies. Thus it is that during the present campaign the Boers have almost invariably been just where they could do the most effective work and in about the right numbers to do it.

Another method of guarding against surprise is that of "crew nests." Choosing an elevated position as possible in the neighborhood of their trenches or laager, the Boers erect a cover of loose bushes made to appear so natural that from quite a short distance it is easily mistaken for the growing shrubby bush with which the country is to a great extent covered. Planted on the top of a kopje, the Boers with their telescopes and field-glasses are able to keep a lookout over miles of the surrounding country while themselves perfectly hidden.

Having decided upon the positions they intend to occupy and defend, the burghers proceed to dig trenches or erect low stone walls, or "schanses," as they are called, of loose stones piled up some three feet high, or if the ground is suitable, they do both. If anything, the latter afford the more effective protection of the two, since not only do these schanses give almost perfect shelter from rifle fire, but through the interstices between the stones the men are able to watch for the approaching enemy. On the smallest mark being presented they either use the interstices as loopholes or else they pop up, aim, fire and are down again in an almost incredibly short space of time. In this manner they can pick off the advancing soldiers while remaining in almost perfect security themselves. The method of fighting explains to a great extent the extraordinary disproportion in the casualties of Boers and British respectively in most of the important engagements fought during the present war. These schanses are frequently several miles in length and are sometimes built in duplicate or even triplicate, thus enabling the Boers on being driven back from the first to retire and continue to fight behind the second and the third. The admirable construction of these trenches has been testified to on more than one occasion by the British generals, notably by Sir Redvers Buller in his dispatches on the operations in Natal.

Playing Pingpong in the Hartman. Pingpong has become a great favorite in Turkish homes, where it is played with great zest by the ladies, who are delighted with a new amusement, says the London Telegraph. The khedive of Egypt's mother, the khedivah, has set up a pingpong table in her magnificent new palace on the Rosetta, and the ladies attached to her play every day. One great advantage they have in that they are aware of little black slugs which pick up the balls and save them all trouble.

Pingpong Balls Galore. One factory in England is turning out 4,200,000 pingpong balls each week. Catarrh Cannot be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must get the blood and internal organs clean. Catarrh is a blood and internal disease, and in order to cure it you must get the blood and internal organs clean. Catarrh is a blood and internal disease, and in order to cure it you must get the blood and internal organs clean.

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