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### "SHORTY" WANTED BOTH IN NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA

Case of Wadesboro Prisoners. Raleigh Cor. Charlotte Observer.

Solicitor J. K. Henry, of the sixth judicial district of South Carolina, appeared before Governor Glenn this morning and asked that requisitions be honored for "Connecticut Shorty" and "Missouri Charlie," the two noted safe-crackers who were arrested at Lilesville, recently. They were wanted in South Carolina especially for the robbery of the Heath Mercantile Banking Company, at Heath Springs. J. T. Bennett, of Wadesboro, was here as counsel for the two prisoners and insisted that the Governor did not have the right to honor the requisition from South Carolina, when they are held under a warrant for violation of the laws of North Carolina, the charge of carrying concealed weapons. Attorney General Gilmer was called into conference with Governor Glenn in connection with the question of law that was raised and the Governor still has the matter under advisement. The decision is to be announced to-morrow. Solicitor Henry says they have a regular "open and shut" case against the burglars in the finding of marked money and other articles on their persons that were taken from the Heath Bank. R. R. Kay, secretary and treasurer of the McAden Cotton Mills, and O. F. Mason, as counsel for the company, attended the hearing in the executive office with a view to gathering any evidence they could that would connect the two prisoners with the robbery of the safe in the office of the company at McAdenville. However, Mr. Mason informs me that there were no developments in this direction.

### SAVED A TRAIN.

A Girl Gives Warning of Track Obstruction. Asheville, N. C., May 1.—But for the presence of mind and natural intelligence of Nannie Gibson, a sixteen year old bare-foot mountain girl, a mixed freight and passenger train leaving Asheville this morning eastward bound, would in all probability have been wrecked at Mud Cut in the Blue Ridge mountains and several lives lost. Nannie Gibson lives close to Mud Cut. This morning she saw a great pile of rock and earth slide on the track at that place shortly after a special train had passed, and realizing that an engine of an eastward bound train would be unable to see the slide in time to stop the train and that there was imminent danger of loss of life and property, she picked up a torpedo, and running up the track some distance placed it on the rail at the mouth of the tunnel. Then hurrying back, she found a red flag, and again started up the track when she heard the engine whistle of the mixed train. As the train came she waved the flag, the engineer applied the brakes, and the train came to a standstill within less than twenty steps of the slide. After the girl had told her story the passengers showered upon her coins, amounting to many dollars.

### PISGAH PARAGRAPHS.

A Contingent—The Sick Improving—Notes Gathered by our Paragrapher—Personals.

Pisgah, May 6.—Our brother farmer, Mr. J. Frank Jackson, who is an alderman in Gastonia, had the misfortune to lose about 20 cords of wood by a forest fire last Friday evening. Mr. Jackson's hands were engaged in burning off a "new ground" when it caught out into the woods close by; as there was a slight breeze a going, it soon got beyond control and burned over 12 or 15 acres, possibly 20, before it was again under control. Scattered through the woods there was stacked up over 125 cords of wood; some was burned to ashes.

The children of Mr. Boyce Whitesides who were sick with pneumonia are recovered.

Mrs. Milton Howell has been quite sick for a few days. Today she is better.

Misses Laura and Margaret Bell who were the guests of Mrs. John A. Morrow for the past 10 days have returned to Gastonia.

There must be a suicidal mania sweeping over this country. Every large daily and semi-weekly newspaper reports one or more cases of self-murder. This tendency to self-destruction is a mystery.

While I was writing the above a buggy stopped at my door and a fellow called "Hello!" He wanted me to subscribe for the Atlanta Constitution (daily) "The Black Cat"—a monthly magazine, and a farm paper—all for two dollars.

The city paper to come every day, the Thomas cat once a month, the farm paper to come weekly. He was a fat gut and had on two pairs of spectacles; he was so sorry that I was going to deprive my children of the knowledge they might gain from his periodicals.

His pity was wasted for we get three weeklies, four semi-weeklies, three monthlies and one semi-monthly at a cost of \$8.50. I have little use for agents or peddlers. One came to see me 250 miles to sell a lightning rod, another with a patent fire kindler, one with patent medicines, one with stock liniment (which was turpentine, hartshorn and red water.) Every one of these fellows is trying to make an easy living at the expense of his patrons. I guarantee all of these articles could be bought in regular trade at less money than agents sell them at.

Pisgah batters fell upon Gastonia boys at Gastonia Saturday evening. It was the worst exhibition of ball that has been witnessed in many a day. Every man to the bat hit the ball with a "sickening thud." Gastonia's plan seemed to be to fill up the bases and then bring the whole bunch in home with a three-bagger. The result was, Pisgah 11, Gastonia, 2. 11 to 2 is decidedly too much of a good thing. Pisgah's remarkable score in the game with Gastonia, was not well liked by the town boys.

Oh yes, the "egg hunt" given by Pisgah Sunday school proved a delightful occasion. After a diligent search, nests were found containing gorgeous varicolored eggs. The nests were ingeniously hidden in out-of-the-way places around the church yard. One boy found a hen nest in the stove pipe—probably laid by a bantam. The egg hunt was one of the delights of the glorious Easter tide, when spring is awakening life in flowers and birds and butterflies and mosquitoes.

Mr. James P. Morrow, a native of Pisgah, but who has been living in Huntsville, Ala., for the past two years, has returned to Knoxville, Tenn., and accepted a position on the L. and N. R. R.

B. G. Rheinhart has opened up a black smith shop at Lory.

Mrs. Will Whitesides formerly of Pisgah now of Lory has been sick for sometime. She is recovering.

The Union Grove meetings have closed. The pastor Rev. R. L. Milton was assisted by Rev. H. L. Williams of Asheville, Rev. H. F. Lowe of Concord, and Rev. McSwain, of Lory. There was quite an accession to the church.

The young ladies of Linwood will give an ice cream supper on Friday night May 12. Supper at 7:30. The proceeds go toward Y. W. C. A. of Linwood.

Hurray for Gaston and good roads.

The sacrament will be held at Pisgah Sunday (to-morrow) Rev. Dr. Galloway of Gastonia preaches to-day, (Saturday),

## A FAN AD.

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### YORK AND YORVILLE.

What's Doing With Our Neighbors Just Across the Line.

Mr. J. Holland Morrow of Gastonia, visited the family of Mr. D. T. Woods this week.

There are a dozen or more houses under construction in Yorkville at this time—more than have been going up at any one time before for several years.

Work on the plant of the Neely Manufacturing company continues to progress nicely. Most of the window frames have been set in the main building, and with good weather the work of putting on the roof will probably be commenced within another week. Several cottages for operatives are well under way.

The estimate of the York County Southern Cotton association places acreage reduction at 19.2-9 per cent and fertilizer reduction at 19.5-9 per cent. These estimates are based on partial reports. President Spencer believes that a complete report would show nearer 25 per cent reduction.

Engineer Jim Hunter, who was pulling the Ogden special, which was wrecked at Greenville last Saturday morning is a nephew of Mr. J. J. Hunter of Yorkville. He was never in a wreck before and it is generally conceded that this wreck was through no fault of his.

The annual meeting of the Commercial Club of Yorkville, was held in the parlors of that institution last Wednesday evening, and after transacting the business of the occasion, the members enjoyed a banquet at the Parish hotel.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, W. B. Moore; vice president, M. C. Willis; secretary and treasurer, John R. Hart; board of governors, W. R. Carroll, O. E. Grist, I. W. Johnson, W. W. Lewis, Dr. J. D. McDowell, B. N. Moore, I. H. Norris, J. A. Tate, W. Brown Wylie.

Tributes of respect were adopted to the memory of Mr. James W. Snider and Major James F. Hart, two members of the club who have passed away since the last annual meeting.

There were forty chairs at the banquet tables and after due justice to a most creditable spread, there was something over an hour of speech making, lasting until 12 o'clock.

Lands belonging to the estate of the late Dr. A. P. Campbell were sold at Clover last Tuesday by Mr. W. E. Adams, executor, Mr. J. E. Beamguard acting as auctioneer.

The Dr. A. P. Campbell residence lot was bought by Mr. R. L. Campbell for \$2,250.

A tract of about 100 acres was bought by Capt. W. B. Smith for \$15 an acre.

A tract of about 80 acres was bought by Mr. W. E. Adams for \$15.50 an acre.

A tract of about 90 acres was bought by Mr. Herbert Wright for \$17.75 an acre.

A tract of about 100 acres was bought by Rev. J. M. McLain for \$25 an acre.

A tract of about 100 acres was bought by Dr. J. W. Campbell for \$23 an acre.

The lands of the estate included nearly 500 acres and the average price was pretty close to \$20 an acre.

Albert Percy Boyd, formerly of Asheville was found unconscious in a street in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, N. Y., and died in a hospital. At first it was suspected that he was a victim of foul play. The body was sent to Asheville Friday for burial.

### THE CRADLE OF TEARS.

Strange Cradle in Which are Placed the Griets of the World.

Theodore Dreiser, in Tom Watson's Magazine for May.

There is a cradle within the door of one of the great institutions of New York before which a constantly recurring tragedy is being enacted. It is a plain cradle, quite simply draped in white, but with such a look of cozy comfort about it that one would scarcely suspect it to be a cradle of sorrow.

And this cradle is the most useful and, in a way, the most inhabited cradle in the world. Day after day, and year after year, it is the recipient of more small wayfaring souls than any other cradle in the history of the race. In it the real children of sorrow are placed, and over it more tears are shed than if they were an open grave.

It is the place where annually 1,200 foundlings are placed—the silent witness of more truly heartbreaking scenes than any other cradle since the world began. For nearly thirty-five years it has stood where it does to-day, ready-draped, open, while as many thousand mothers have stolen shamefacedly in and, after looking hopelessly about, have laid their helpless offspring within its depths.

For thirty-five years, winter and summer, in the bitterest cold and the most stifling heat, it has seen them come—the poor, the rich; the humble, the proud, the beautiful, the homely—and one by one they have laid their children down and brooded over them, wondering whether it were possible for human love to make so great a sacrifice and yet not die.

Still the tragedy repeats itself, and year after year, and day after day the unlocked door is opened and dethroned virtue enters—the victim of ignorance and passion and affection, and a child is robbed of an honorable home.

### Mind Reading Essential to Successful Warfare.

Philadelphia Ledger.

The Japanese are to be credited with the discovery that mind reading is essential to successful war. It appears that the fall of Mukden was due to psychology. Field Marshal Oyama having made a careful study of the mental operations of Kuropatkin. Before, during and after the battle of Liao Yang the Japanese commander had for his chief purpose to convince the Russian general that Japanese could fight only in the woods and on the hills; so Kuropatkin assumed that no serious movement would take place on the plains. Then, of course, Oyama did fight on the plains, after making a display further to mislead the Russians. It is not surprising that English military men should say that the Japanese combat "commands almost despairing admiration," and that it reveals combined intelligence and physical endurance beyond all parallel. Oyama's stupendous conception involved the advance of 400,000 men over a front of nearly one hundred miles, and required that the movements of every unit of the five armies should be accurately co-ordinated. During these movements there were the heaviest of snowstorms, and the ice in the rivers to be crossed broke before the Japanese reached them. There seems to be no doubt that this is indeed "the greatest combat at arms in the history of the world."

Mr. J. C. Caddell, formerly editor of The Raleigh Times, has taken editorial charge of The Salisbury Sun.

### The Lay of the Hen.

Milwaukee Journal.

It is the season when the modest hen has greatness thrust upon her. Three-fourths of all the eggs laid in the United States are laid between March 1 and July 1.

Of robin and blackbird and meadow lark spring poets write page after page; their praises are sounded every minute by prophets and sages; but not since the stars sang together, not since the creation of man, has any one drawn a goose-feather in praise of the patient, profitable old hen.

All honor and praise to the singing that cheers up the wild-wood in spring, and the old tender recollections that bring up joy, childhood, love, and all that sort of thing; but more important than the twitter of the robins or all the wild melody of free birds is the cackle of pride over a new laid egg; that proudly cluck when a brood of chickens surround the old hen.

And now the music of the hens fill all the country with promise of plenty and substantial prosperity.

The hen is more than a musician and a prophet. She has the magic power to turn her humble song into the clink of gold.

In 1900, when the latest complete census was taken, the total value of all fowls on farms were \$35,795,906. These produced in one year, poultry that sold for \$136,381,877, and eggs that sold for \$144,286,370—a total of \$281,178,247. The investment yielded an income of 400 per cent.

So the cackle and cluck of the humble hen are far more than mere music.

The lay of the hen may not be a subject for the poet's rhapsodies, but it is a subject for the careful consideration of the practical minded.

The Atlantic Hotel at Morehead City owned by the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad, has been leased for the coming season to C. Gresham & Son, of Charlotte.

## Insomnia!

You can become a fast sleeper by protecting your property by means of a policy in a reliable insurance company. You could carry the risk yourself, but the premiums on an insurance policy are but small things when reckoned against the loss you would sustain if the property should burn and the apprehension of such a catastrophe you are under daily and nightly.

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Killed by Train.

Millard Giles of Newton was found in a dying condition beside the railroad track at a point just south of the depot, at Conover, about 6:30 Monday morning. He died a few minutes afterward without regaining consciousness. The cause of his death is unknown, though it is presumed that he was struck by a train some time during the night. His body was lying within a foot or two of the track and his head was badly injured. Over both eyes were severe bruises, and big gashes were cut across the top and back of the head. He was last seen Sunday afternoon about dark, coming through Conover with his brother-in-law, Mr. Jule Goforth. Both men were intoxicated. Goforth's statement is that he left Giles near the spot where he was killed, and saw nothing more of him. The coroner's jury gave as their verdict that the deceased came to his death by a blow struck by a moving train or some unknown object.

At 10 o'clock Friday morning the dead body of Thomas Howsee, aged 17, was found in the gasoline house of Bailey Lumber Company's plant at Union, S. C. Howsee went to the place Thursday afternoon about 4 o'clock to get some gasoline and it is presumed either fainted or slipped and fell in the water pit in which the tanks stand. When the body was found the skin stripped from it like peeling an apple. Howsee was the son of Mr. Est. C. Howsee and is said to have been a popular young man.

CHILD SLAYER SURRENDERS.

Man Who Killed Little Quinn at Spartanburg Gives Himself Up.

Sumpt Nance, who fired a pistol shot at Anna Bishop several days ago in Spartanburg but who killed little Lillie Quinn instead, has surrendered to Sheriff Nichols. He went to the home of a relative, Joe White, near Cherokee Springs, and expressed a desire to give himself into the hands of the officers of the law and White accompanied him to the city. Nance is now in jail. The facts in the case are these: On Saturday night about two weeks ago Nance and Bishop engaged in a difficulty in the west end section of the city. They were near the home of Lucius Quinn and when Nance fired at Bishop, the 6-year-old daughter of Quinn, who was playing in the yard, fell with a bullet in her brain, causing a wound from which death ensued a few hours later. Nance escaped and had been in hiding until he surrendered.

Thomas Jones was shot Thursday morning by Thomas Godfrey of Spartanburg, and died in a few minutes afterward, the bullet entering his left side in the region of the heart. Jones' wife was a witness to the tragedy in which her husband lost his life. The homicide occurred on North Church street, at the home of the deceased. The quarrel was over some grape vines. The slayer surrendered to the sheriff and is now in jail. Both principals are well known in the city where they enjoyed good reputations for peacefulness and order.

## A Matter of Health

There is a quality in Royal Baking Powder which makes the food more digestible and wholesome. This peculiarity of Royal has been noted by physicians, and they accordingly endorse and recommend it.

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### SYMPTOMS THAT INVITE GERMS.

Little Ailments that Should be Looked After if one Wants to Keep Well.

Anyone who has any of the many symptoms caused by poor digestion should take special care to avoid conditions where disease germs are likely to be present. Any of the following symptoms are good evidence of stomach troubles.

Acidity	Stomach up of food	Nausea	Cramps
Belching	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
Flatulence	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
Heartburn	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
Indigestion	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
Loss of appetite	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
Stomach pain	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food	Stomach up of food
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These little ailments, which indicate a weak stomach and imperfect digestion, should be looked after by the use of MI-O-NA, if one wants to keep well. A tablet of this remarkable remedy, taken before each meal, will so strengthen the stomach and digestive organs that natural weight will be restored and perfect health and strength regained.

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