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REWARD FOR HEROISM.

Southern Railway to Educate Nannie Gibson, The Mountain Girl Who saved Passenger Train From Wreck on Western Division.

Asheville Cor. Charlotte Observer. Nannie Gibson, the 14-year-old mountain girl, living near Graphite, who recently saved from wreck a mixed passenger and freight train of the Southern Railway...

A short time ago one of the officials of the road went to see the girl and presented her with a check for \$25, and asked her if there was anything else that she desired. The girl informed the official that she would like an education. He told the child that his company would, in all probability, grant her wish, and upon return to the city took the matter up with the head officials...

She will come to Asheville and enter the institution at the fall term. She will be given a two-years' general schooling and then a regular business course.

A representative of the Charlotte Observer recently talked with the girl near Old Fort, where she has moved since the wreck. She is a bright-looking child and has a remarkably strong face and a sweet and womanly disposition.

Her mother died two weeks ago and Nannie is now the "mother" of a large number of little brothers and sisters. In conversation with the newspaper man, she said that on the day of the slide she was at home with her invalid mother and the younger children; that when she heard the noise she knew at once that a slide had occurred, and, realizing the danger of passing trains, called to her younger sister, a little girl of 11 years of age, and told her to go down the track and flag any west-bound train.

waving red flag. He applied the emergency brakes and brought the train to a standstill within 10 feet of the slide. A collection was taken up at the time and a neat sum given the child. Nannie said that she considered it only her duty and appeared surprised that so much ado should be made over the affair. She expressed her appreciation of the Southern's offer of an education and expects to thus fit herself for life's battles.

Greenville's Rich Negro.

In the condemnation proceedings instituted by the Southern Railway Company for the purpose of purchasing certain lots near the passenger station from Henry Moseley, colored, the jury summoned to assess the value of the property, met at the site yesterday and found a verdict for \$6,250. The land consists of several lots in that part of the city just across the Southern Railway yards from the passenger station, and is nearly two acres in area.

The verdict gives an idea of what a negro can do if he is reliable and hard working. This land does not represent by a good deal, all of Henry Moseley's holdings in real estate in this city, which has been advancing in value every year.

Moseley expressed satisfaction with the verdict. His friends on the jury had treated him right, he was sure, he said.

Sure See Em.

When women leave home for a short time nowadays and leave notes for their husbands they make sure they will see the slips of paper by weighting them down on top of the refrigerator with the family corkscrew.

Suppressing a Scandal.

The "calico row" which took place one day last week in the west part of town has been sufficiently aired, so we will not give the affair any further publicity by reciting the harrowing details.

Interesting Law Case.

There has just been filed with the clerk of the court for York county an order by Hon. G. W. Gage in a case that was heard by him at the spring term of the general sessions, and which seems to involve a novel and interesting question of law as to the value of an inchoate right of dower.

The title of the case in which the order has just been issued is J. M. Cherry vs. the Smith-Fewell company. Mr. W. J. Cherry represents the plaintiff and the defendant is represented by Spencer & Dunlap.

According to the complaint the defendant sold the plaintiff a plantation on Catawba river, known as the Campbell place, and gave a general warranty title which along with other things covered all possible contingencies as to dower. After purchasing the property the plaintiff learned that Mrs. Jennie E. Hutchison, wife of Mr. W. C. Hutchison, who had formerly owned the land, had not renounced her dower. The plaintiff forthwith demanded of the defendant that it extinguish this dower. The defendant refused; whereupon the plaintiff himself purchased the dower from Mrs. Hutchison, paying her therefor the sum of \$200.00.

The defendant demurred to the complaint in the case, setting up that the plaintiff had failed to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action, and also claiming that as the alleged incumbrance could not mature during the lifetime of W. C. Hutchison, who is still alive, the plaintiff certainly has not been damaged up to this time.

"It has been decided by the courts of this state," says his honor, "that the inchoate right of dower is neither an estate in land, nor is it an incumbrance thereon; but it is defined as a 'substantial right of property,' such as a woman may sell for a price. The substantial right of property arises out of the concurrent seizure of land by a man, and his marriage thereafter to a woman.

"So the right is inseparable from land and proceeds out of it, if it is not an estate in it. A substantial right of property of that character has value, and value is always capable of ascertainment. Such an ascertainment is certainly had in the common transactions of life, sometimes by judicial processes, more frequently by mutual agreement between the woman claiming the right and the person claiming the land. The fact that the right is uncertain of fruition or dower, and therefore of doubtful value, is not conclusive against its existence, or its value. Many rights rest in like uncertainty; but are nevertheless subject to a practical ascertainment. The covenant of general warranty is such a contract as will indemnify the land owner against the widow's claim of dower and that although the claim was inchoate when the covenant of warranty was entered into; but became ripe and was asserted thereafter.

"The existence of the right of the wife and the existence of the covenant of warranty, are the two factors which have superinduced that which might be mistakenly regarded as the premature assessment of dower; but it is no such thing. Dower is a specific interest, determinable actually, and is always the same. The inchoate right of dower is altogether uncertain of fruition. Therefore of value, it must be assessed by a jury upon all the testimony, and must, in the nature of the case, be of less value than the dower."

His honor goes on to say that in this case it will be proper for the jury to decide what was the real value of the rights of Mrs. Hutchison in this property at the time those rights were acquired by the plaintiff. He does not lose sight of the fact that if Mrs. Hutchison should die before her husband, the claim question will be wiped out; for on the contrary he argues that if Mr. Hutchison should die first the amount the plaintiff would have a right to claim of the defendant would be all the greater.

On overruling the demurrer his honor grants the defendant twenty days from the filing of the order in which to file its answer to the complaint, and

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PARTRIDGES IN CAPTIVITY.

The Success of Prof. Hodge's Experiments in Massachusetts.

Boston Transcript.

Dr. Clifton F. Hodge, professor of biology at Clark University, is having remarkable success in his efforts toward domesticating the ruffed grouse, or partridge. The latest achievement is the raising of a second generation of the birds while they are in captivity, five strong, healthy birds having been hatched two weeks ago by the mother partridge.

More could scarcely be desired than to have a pair mate and produce their young in the back yard of a city home. So far as is known the birds have acted exactly the same as their brothers in the woods, even to the curious act of drumming. They are just as large as those in the woods and are lively and contented. One of the old male birds seems to be especially delighted when Dr. Hodge enters the enclosure in which they are kept and plays with the bird as one would with his pet cat. In no case, so far as is known, has this species been anywhere near so perfectly domesticated.

Dr. Hodge began these experiments in the spring of 1903, when he obtained some partridge eggs from the woods and hatched them out under a bantam hen. At the time he was laughed at for trying it. But, after the chicks were hatched out, and it was seen that they were being raised, a member of the Massachusetts Fish and Protective Association who resides in Worcester reported the affair to a meeting of the directors, which then voted \$200 to be given to Dr. Hodge in aid of his experiments.

It is interesting in enlarging his enclosures with a view to aiding such work as the association is doing, especially by eventually setting the birds free in the covers of the State and perhaps in our city parks. Dr. Hodge's purpose in the experiments, so far as his own work is concerned, is more especially to study scientifically the biological relations of the species—its foods, habits and instincts and the possibilities of its domestication.

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Medical Consultation in China.

A physician has just returned from China, heavily laden with stories of Chinese medicine.

"Medical consultations are carried to their extreme limit in China," he said. "There, when anyone becomes seriously ill, a consultation of fifteen or twenty doctors fill the house with their arguments. They make as much noise as a political convention.

"But such a consultation as that would be considered small and futile if a great man—a mandarin say, of the third class—were to be ill. To consult on his case at least 100 doctors would gather together.

"A member of the royal family was taken sick while I was in China, and my Chinese host told me with a good deal of pride that the largest consultation known to history had been held over the sick man. No less than 316 physicians, he said, had come from every part of the kingdom to study and discuss the case.

"The royal patient, I heard afterward, died.

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HOLE THROUGH HIS HEART.

Yet the Patient is Alive and the Doctors are Marveling.

New York Sun.

Unable to trace the course of a bullet by means of the probe, Drs. Brady and Rossford, of St. Vincent's Hospital, Staten Island, put on the X-rays yesterday and found that the bullet had entered and passed through the heart and was buried in the lung of Harry Nowok, of 178 Chrystie street. He started out for a day of pleasure on Tuesday, but while crossing the bay on the ferryboat Castleton, he was hit in the left breast by a bullet from a revolver which Max Dascher, of 533 West One Hundred and Third street was displaying to a friend.

It looked as if Nowok would not live until the ferryboat got to Staten Island, but he appeared then stronger and better, having rallied from the first shock. The fact that he was alive with a bullet hole indicating that the bullet had entered his heart, caused the doctor to think the wound superficial, and he was allowed to rest until yesterday afternoon before a serious attempt was made to find the bullet. The doctors say it is the most remarkable case on record. Last night the patient seemed better and stronger than at any time since being admitted to the institution. There was no indication that a change for the worse was likely to occur. The doctors have taken steps to prevent Nowok from moving or being excited.

How a Dentist Collected his Bill.

Washington Post.

"Nothing looks so small to a man when his tooth aches as a \$10 bill, and nothing so big after the dentist has finished with him," says a young dentist. "There's a man here in town who has owed me five \$10 bills for more than a year. He is perfectly able to pay the bills, but he won't do it. He says it's an outrage to charge that much for filling only ten or a dozen teeth. Well, last month he broke a tooth and came to me on the jump, with beads of sweat on his brow. The nerve of the man made me mad. He wouldn't pay what he owed, but he came hot-foot to take up my time the minute he needed me. I put him into the chair and patched up the tooth. Then, while I had him gagged securely with rubber dams and things, I got out the biggest drill I own and waived it before him. He looked scared and gurgled.

"Sit still," I said, holding his head—I'm twice his size. Sit still; I'm going to take the gold out of these two back teeth. I want to use it."

"You never heard such a yelp as went up from that man. He pawed at his pocket and dragged out a roll in mad haste. I let him peel off \$50 before I laid the drill down. He was scared blue, and I was mad enough to have dug the gold out in earnest if he hadn't paid up. He won't wait to be scared into paying after this, because he knows that if he does I'll tell people how I held him up for that fifty."

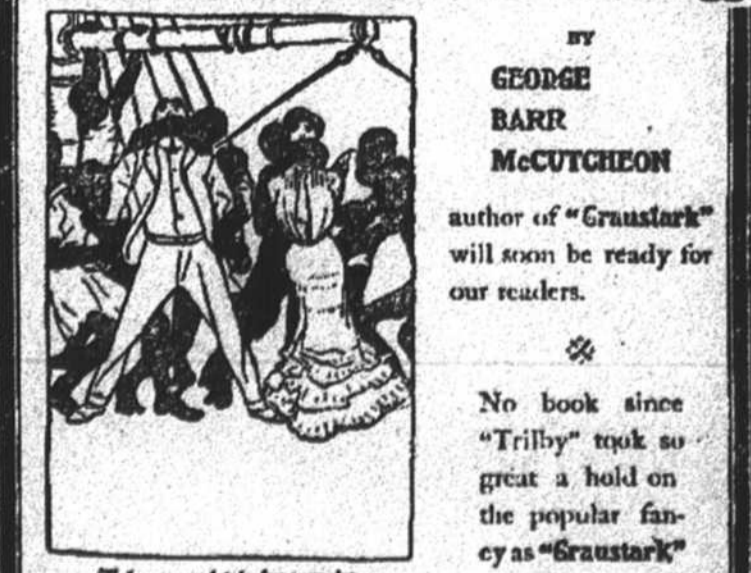
Clark's Commentary on the Weather.

Stonewille Landmark, July 4th.

Now it came to pass that on the first day of the month, early in the morning, the long drought that has prevailed in this section was broken, for the heavens were opened and rain, gentle and peaceful, fell steadily until far up into the day upon the parched and thirsty earth, to the great delight of much people, both the just and the unjust.

BEGINS TUESDAY, 18th.

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that the case will eventually go to the supreme court seems to be a foregone conclusion, for it involves very important issues that have never been passed upon before.

Backsies Semanablist.

One of our best citizens is said to have surreptitiously borrowed one of our village fire ladders last fall to pick apples over toward Avondale and then forgot to bring it back. Marshal Carter found its whereabouts, and Mayor Stoneburner towed it home. Like other towns, we've got some forgetful people. This forgetfulness is a bad disease. The afflicted don't feel like work in the daytime, and at night they don't sleep well.

CURFEW IN PITTSBURG.

Citiz Must be Home by 8:15 and Boys by 9:45 Hereafter.

Pittsburg, Penn., July 6.—For the first time in fifty years the curfew bell tolled in Pittsburg to-night. There were two curfews, one for girls at 8:15, the other for boys at 9:45. A few arrests were made before midnight.

The curfew idea was revived by Chief Wallace, because too many children were hanging around the streets at night. The law is an old one which has been on the ordinance books of the city many years, but has been disregarded.

WILL RETURN TO THE ARCTIC.

Commodore Peary, the Gallant Explorer Expects to Start Saturday on His Perilous Trip to the Ice Fields of the Frozen North.

New York, July 11.—Sailing Master Houghton, of the Arctic exploring steamer Roosevelt is authority for the statement that the mysterious millionaire who has offered to be one of five to contribute a hundred thousand in response to Commodore Peary's appeal for money to equip and start the polar dash of the Roosevelt, is none other than John D. Rockefeller. Two thousand cases kerosene oil and seventeen barrels lubricating oil have also been put aboard the vessel as a present from the Standard Oil Company. The start for the ice field is expected to be made Saturday. The fund for which Peary made the appeal is swelling, and the amount as required is expected to be had by them.

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