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An Old Confederate Found a
Skillet He Had Borrowed More
Than 40 Years Ago.

Asheville Dispatch.

Gen. James M. Ray, of Asheville, who during the war between the States commanded the 60th North Carolina infantry, has received a letter from John G. Lindsey, formerly of Asheville, and now of Chattanooga, in which Mr. Lindsey says that he recently went to the battlefield of Chickamauga and located a spot and found a skillet that he had hid there more than 42 years ago.

Mr. Lindsey was a member of company A, North Carolina regiment, and was with his company during the battle of Missionary Ridge. On the evening before the Confederates evacuated the battlefield—November 25, 1863—Mr. Lindsey went with several members of his company and begged supplies from Gen. Bragg's cook. They secured the supplies all right and then Mr. Lindsey prevailed upon the cook to lend him a skillet, promising to return the cooking utensil on the following night. But the fortunes of war made impossible the keeping of that promise and the return of the skillet. The troops were withdrawn that night and before taking up the march Mr. Lindsey hid the skillet in a rock cliff near by.

That was nearly 42 years ago. Recently Mr. Lindsey visited the battlefield and remembering the incident of the skillet and the additional fact that his promise to return the skillet remained unfulfilled, he made search for cliff and skillet. With little difficulty he found the spot and skillet as he had left it. Now, after a lapse of nearly half a century, Mr. Lindsey would gladly keep his promise and return the utensil, but all the participants in the original transaction are dead and the old frying-pan will be sent to Gen. Ray, at Asheville, to be added to his immense collection of war relics, said to be the largest private one in the State.

Twelve Months on the Roads for Snapping an Unloaded Gun.

Newton Reporter.

In Lincoln Superior Court Tuesday a young man named Jones Kiser was tried for shooting a young girl in the western part of the county. He thought the gun was not loaded and asked the girl to put her ear to the muzzle and hear the sound made when he snapped the gun. He assured her that the gun was not loaded, but when he snapped it the gun fired and blew the top of the girl's head off. The young man thought the gun was unloaded; but he was found guilty of manslaughter for criminal carelessness and sentenced to 12 months on the chain gang.

STICKS IN THE STOMACH.

Feeling That Often Comes to People With Weak Digestion.

A poor sufferer from indigestion once said that his stomach felt as though it was filled with sticks and as though some of them were on fire and burning him up inside.

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—A. J. S. 14.

Tuesday's Charlotte News says: There were 32 men and women composing the party that left this city this morning on No. 39 for the college at Due West, S. C. The greater portion of the crowd were representatives from this county, which has always stood high in point of numbers at the institution at Due West.

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TOO SHALLOW FOR

THE BIG CRUISER.

The "North Carolina" Cannot
Cross the Bar.

Special to Raleigh News-Observer.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 10.—The armored cruiser "North Carolina" will be unable to visit the State even after completion, that is, unless there is a considerable deepening of the channel of the Cape Fear River, which is not an early probability. Inquiry at the Navy Department discloses the fact that the big man-of-war, which is 502 feet in length and is to draw 27 feet of water, will be unable to cross the bar at Southport, much less make the trip up the Cape Fear to Wilmington. It was Governor Glenn's earnest hope that the cruiser would at least find sufficient depth of water at Wilmington or Southport to permit of the presentation of the silver service, which it is proposed to give the "North Carolina" after completion more than a year hence. The Hydrographic office at the Navy Department has made an investigation of the possibility of the "North Carolina" making the trip up the Cape Fear to Wilmington, and while there is sufficient depth in the harbor proper to accommodate a vessel of 27 feet draft, in some places, the channel is only 17 or 18 feet. The Southport harbor has a depth of 32 feet, but on the bar the depth is only 21 feet. These figures are at mean low water, but as the rise in tide is only about four feet, the situation is not improved. In addition to the 27 feet of draft, three feet of water is required for navigation. The officials of the Navy Department would not permit the "North Carolina" to undertake to enter a channel of less than thirty feet depth. The City of Charleston, which is anxious to have the presentation of a silver service to the Tar Heel ship take place there, has ample harbor accommodations, though the cruiser could not enter the channel save at high tide.

Miss Rebekkah Glenn, daughter of Governor Glenn, has been selected to christen the cruiser.

Stensland Takes Poison.

Tangier, Morocco, Sept. 11.—Stensland, the defuncting president of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank, of Chicago, under arrest in this city awaiting return to the United States, attempted suicide today by taking poison and is now seriously ill as the result. Twelve guards are now employed to see that he has no further chance at an attempt on his own life. If his condition warrants he will sail for home tomorrow on the Prinz Adelbert.

Burbank Cultivates Five New Flowers.

St. Louis Republic.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Sept. 9.—Five new creations, the work of Luther Burbank, have been prepared for the market and will be commonly grown within a year. The new plants are listed in a catalogue just issued by Burbank. The first and most wonderful is the improved Australian star flower. The variety just perfected by Burbank is of unusual beauty and color, and is of the nature of old-fashioned everlasting flowers.

The Shirley poppy, a new variety of which has been called the Santa Rosa strain by Burbank, is an enlargement of the regular cultivated poppy, which is commonly grown in California gardens. It is larger and more beautiful than anything that has ever been offered before, and the colors particularly are blended in a new manner. The California wind poppy is another variety of the common cultivated poppy, differing slightly from the Shirley poppy. The bunchers christiana is a new foliage plant which is considered by Burbank one of the most wonderful of his creations. It has large layers of peculiar shape and brilliancy, and is one of the most striking foliage plants known.

The Patagonia vegetable squash is a variety of garden vegetable which has been imported from Chile by Burbank and greatly improved. It is an apple-shaped squash, very sweet to the taste and is expected to be a favorite garden squash.

A Raleigh dispatch says: Secretary Bruner, of the Agricultural Department, will ask the Board of Agriculture to let him make a campaign through the North Carolina mountains in order to push the matter of growing celery there. He says no soil is better adapted to this purpose and from \$300 to \$600 an acre can be made, at the rate of a cent a stalk.

THE TAR HEEL FOXHOUNDS.

Mr. J. L. Linberger, of Lincoln, Has Written an Interesting Letter to Mr. W. J. Leavell, of Kentucky, About His Walker Dogs—Other Fine Dogs.

Charlotte Observer, 11th.

Local fox hunters will find interesting reading in the following letter, written by Mr. J. L. Linberger, of Lincoln, to Mr. W. J. Leavell, of Camp Nelson, Ky. Mr. Linberger was one of the first North Carolinians to discover that well-bred hounds are as valuable as any other well-bred stock. He owns one of the best packs of Walker dogs in the country. He takes an annual hunt in Richmond county, chasing reds and grays. In his letter to Mr. Leavell he said:

"I am just back from a week's hunt from Covington, N. C. Was out five mornings and bagged seven gray foxes. Covington has a small country store, with a few houses several miles apart, and is on a high hill, from which you can see into seven adjoining counties.

"This is the roughest and most broken country I ever hunted in. The hills are very rough, full of rocks and underbrush; very hard on dogs. The longest race was about one hour.

"There are a great many very old cunning gray foxes, and some of them very hard to get a close run on. I had some trouble in getting a run, but found none that were too cunning for my pack of Walkers. However, I had to trail one for several hours before the dogs could get their heads up and run.

"I read every fox chase in The Sportsman's Review, and I never find that a hunter has any except a trail, then a jump and the fox is holed or caught. I never hear of what I call a running trail. Have asked several hunters what a running was, and what the fox does to cause these dogs to run a few minutes and then come to a slow trail, then another run for a short time and then trail again. Have heard various explanations; that the fox was a long ways ahead and would double back and forth and then go straight for a mile or more, and it was when the fox went straight that dogs could run, and that they had to trail when fox would double back.

"I have watched this carefully for seven years, and find, in my judgment, that my fellow hunters are in error, in my opinion. I find, from close observation and experience, that a pack of dogs can only run a fox when the fox runs, and if the fox is only a few hundred yards ahead and is slipping and not running, that no dog or dogs that I ever owned could do anything but trail along slow and the scent would be poor, but, in the meantime, if perchance the fox was seen by me and I succeeded in giving him a fright sufficient to make him run, that the pack would get their heads up and run him to kill, and just like any other fox, and it would only be a matter of time when he would be caught like any gray fox that I ever tackled.

"I find reds the same as grays. The red foxes that my pack have caught only stay from earth in accordance with the run I get on them. Of course, the scenting conditions and the country have something to do with length of time as well as the gameness of the fox. I have seven red fox dogs that care very little about running a gray, and, with good scenting conditions, have never had a red that they would not hole or catch. They have caught quite a lot on the grounds. They run anywhere from forty minutes to eight hours.

"I caught an old dog fox last January in eight hours. He ran straight away for fifteen miles and was caught on the ground twenty miles from where he jumped. The dogs in this race, you know all of them, Dewey and Dixie (from Corbette and Clio), Tex, Jap, Simon, Skip, Piget and Snow (Fleet and Snow from Skip and Dixie).

"In my last hunt the fox were some distance from where I stopped. I untied ten dogs at four o'clock in the morning and they went straight away for ten miles before they left the road. After day we tracked them for ten miles and learned from farmers that they were one hour ahead of us. When we found them they were running and caught an old gray fox in

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about fifteen minutes after our arrival.

"The only objection I have to my pack is that the minute you let them free, that their one aim is to kill a fox and absolutely care nothing for the hunting party. They will go any distance to strike. The hunter follows them. They don't follow him. I know nothing of the methods of whipping in and blowing off from a trail. I never blow my horn except when I start and after the catch. It is folly to try to blow my pack off of any trail if there is any scent of fox.

"I have exchanged a pair of my puppies for a pair of July's; want to see what they are, as I know nothing but the Walkers, and if the July's are better, I want some, but the Walkers are as game as I am. I usually get enough first. Have never had a dog I bought of you to come out of a race, or any puppy I ever raised from them after they were old enough to run.

"The fox in the vicinity where I used to hunt are getting very scarce. The reds are being spared in every way possible, unless he runs straight and can't make it back to cover, which they occasionally do.

"Last February, one day about four in the afternoon, the boys were eager for a little chase, and they knew where Jap, Mollie, Streaker and Dixie had been holding an old red for several weeks. They took seven dogs, struck, jumped and had a fine circling race for thirty minutes, and then the fox took a straight line for ten miles. The boys remained until dark and went home. The next morning came and no dogs in. The first dog to come in was Dixie, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon; next came Jap, with the foot of a very large red fox tied around his neck. This made the boys anxious.

"On Monday they started to find where they caught, and did. They got the hide, which was a beauty. The catch was about 12 miles from the jump. The boys were all over the fact that their old red was to the bad, as he was the nearest fox and was a good runner.

"I write this letter to tell you how I am pleased with the dogs purchased from you, and that every one has turned out just as represented. In my last hunt I lost three, or had three dogs shot by an outlaw. The dogs ran near an illicit distillery and were shot. The ones killed were Queen, Mack and Tex.

"I failed to mention Mollie in the red fox chase. She was in all of them, and has proven to be a great dog. The little bitch Streaker, was a dandy. She was bitten by a mad dog in the

spring and died, as did also Simon, Jennie and Swiss. Tillie is as game and true a runner as I own.

"Of all my dogs, Jap is my favorite. His only fault is that he does not hunt very well. His judgement is very fine and bottom excellent. He is a great dog in long chases, and nothing on earth excites him. His head is always level. He is far better for reds than grays—runs with much more speed. Running does not seem to hurt him at all. He has a very powerful mouth and gives it free and thick, but never babbles.

"The Walkers of Kentucky have made fortunes out of their hounds. Their best dogs sell to \$100, \$200 and \$300, and will run for 48 hours. As a rule, the Walker hound has shaggy tail, rough hair and chop mouth. They hunt well and stay forever.

Mr. Linberger owns about 40 pure-bred Walkers.

North Carolina is gradually discarding the pot-licker hound and taking on the well-bred dog. The July, the Sugar Loaf, the Tring, the Walker the Byroster, the Goodman, the Spencer and other noted strains are bred here. An 8-week-old pedigree puppy of any one of these families of hounds will sell for \$10 or \$15, and one a year old will bring \$25 or \$35, according to works and promise.

Big Feet for Chinese Women.

Wilmington Messenger.

It is likely that the next generation of Chinese women will have feet of normal size and that the custom of centuries which required the women of the Flowery Kingdom to hobble around on feet the size of infants caused by the feet being bandaged from the time they are small children will be done away with. Several years ago the dowager empress issued a decree prohibiting the bandaging of the feet of female infants. She has just found—that this order has been ignored to a great extent and she has issued another to the same purport and in order to make it effective it is decreed that no man shall be eligible to any office in whose family there is a female whose feet were not allowed to grow to the natural size. This franchise qualification will no doubt have the desired effect. We suppose that in future the bigger the feet of the wife and daughters of a Chinaman the higher he can climb in the scale of public office.

The three negroes who are yet to be tried for the Lyster murder, whose trial will take place in Stanley county in January, will be held in Charlotte jail until the trial.

HARRISON MAKES COMPLETE DENIAL.

Had Nothing to do With Kidnapping.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Elizabeth City, N. C., Sept. 10.—Imprisoned in the county jail of Pasquotank county, where he was brought from Currituck county, Thursday night, Joshua Harrison, under indictment for kidnapping Kenneth, the nine-year-old son of State Senator Beasley, on February 13, 1905, was today liberated on bail in the sum of \$2,200. Mr. Harrison, with the consent of his attorney, E. F. Aydtlett, gives out the following statement:

"That he is absolutely innocent in regard to the charge against him of kidnapping the Beasley boy or having anything to do with it; that for three or four weeks or more before the boy was missed he had been continuously at home; that the boy was missed on Monday; that he knew nothing of it until Tuesday at dinner, when Mrs. Julia Forbes spoke of it at the table; that he was at home all day Monday and Tuesday, but on Wednesday he went up to John Fisher's store about nine o'clock, and remained until about 11 o'clock, and went from there to Coinjock bridge, from there went to Vanstack's, and from there home, reaching home about sunset. 'I remained at home then continuously until Friday morning,' he said, 'at which time I took the boat to Elizabeth City. In company with John Newbern and wife and others we reached Elizabeth City about night, and I remained at the Stokely house until Saturday afternoon, and took the train from Elizabeth City about three o'clock and went to Shawboro.

"Mr. Tull then went from Shawboro to Barco, and I went from there to John Guard's at Coinjock, and went from there to Mr. James Sanders' and remained there all night, and went from there home Sunday morning. I was at home then for weeks.

"I did not know the Beasley boy. I never saw him to know him.

"My relations with Mr. S. M. Beasley have always been of the most pleasant character so far as I know. I am a Republican and Mr. Beasley a Democrat, but our relations have been so pleasant I have voted for him each time he ran as a candidate to represent the county and when he ran for the Senate. The report that Mr. Beasley had laws passed against selling wine, which were hurtful and objectionable to me is untrue. If this had been so I would not have voted for him to go to the Senate in November before his boy was lost in February following. There has never been a moment since the boy was missed that I would not have made any sacrifice to help find the boy and relieve his heart-broken parents. The family relations were the most cordial and had always been.

"I am 67 years of age and I live six miles from where the boy was attending school. The report that my daughter, Mrs. Gallop, went to New York on one or more trips regarding the Beasley boy is untrue. She did go to Newark, N. J., as I am informed, to see Miss Hannah M. Lyons, for a lumber company in Norfolk, to try, for the company, to buy Miss Lyons' pine lumber on the Gallop tract of land in Currituck.

"I, like many others, have had my opinion that the boy was frozen to death on that bitter cold day and night, but where I cannot say; I wish I could."

YORK AND YORKVILLE.

What's Doing Among our Neighbors Just Across the Line.

Yorkville Recorder, 11th.

In the second race for magistrate for York township Mr. J. C. Comer defeated Mr. R. L. DeLoach 295 to 280.

There are a number of cases of diphtheria in Yorkville; but the anti-toxin treatment is invariably proving efficacious.

Cotton receipts have not yet begun to reach a very considerable volume; but the buyers expect to be busy within a week or two.

Mr. R. J. Herndon is making arrangements to build on the ruins of the old Parish Hotel, but has not yet decided as to exactly what kind of a building he will put up.

Rev. J. E. Covington, of Greenville, arrived in Yorkville last night, and is the guest of Rev. W. E. Hurt. Mr. Covington is assisting Mr. Hurt in a protracted meeting at Union Baptist Church this week, holding services in the morning and evening.

Mr. Moore Jones, a highly esteemed citizen of the Hebron neighborhood, died last Saturday morning at 2:30 o'clock. He had been in bad health for many years, suffering principally from a disorder of the liver, which was the cause of his death.

Miss Crossmore, of Baltimore, will have charge of the Thomson Company's millinery department this season. Mr. Knox Quinn, of Smyrna, and Miss Jessie Baber, of Yorkville, have been added to the sales force, and Master Miller Drakeford, of Yorkville, has been added to the office force of the Thomson Company.

Messrs. Glenn & Allison are re-building the barn on their farm that was destroyed by fire last winter. Mr. W. D. Glenn is giving his personal attention to the work.

There are pretty general complaints that the cotton crop promises to be at least 25 per cent short. There is no question of the fact that cotton is opening rapidly and that the top crop will be light.

As a result of the report of the Bureau of Statistics of the Agricultural Department yesterday cotton went up 20 points, and the grainers' report issued a short time afterward caused a decline of 10 points. The net gain of the day was 10 points.

Mr. G. R. McDaniel, of Filbert, showed at this office last Saturday quite an interesting relic of bygone days in the shape of Councilor Philip's Eulogy on George Washington, printed on cream-colored silk. The printing was done by P. Carey, Yorkville, in September, 1839. Mr. McDaniel found the relic among old family papers.

Mrs. M. E. Russell, of Yorkville, sustained a fracture of the right hip last Friday afternoon, as the result of a fall. She had gone across the street to visit Mrs. Roth, and tripped herself on the edge of the porch. Because of her advanced age, the mishap is quite a serious matter. Her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Powell, came over on Saturday from Charlotte.

There have been a number of cases of diphtheria in town within the past few days, one at Mr. J. B. Brice's, one at Mr. J. L. Sanders' and two at Mr. E. O. Sandifer's. Other cases have been reported. Because of the diphtheria outbreak, the opening of the Graded School, which was advertised for yesterday, was postponed until a later date.