

INHUMAN TREATMENT ACCORDED YOUNG GIRL.

Augusta, Ga., June 24.—Charges that he fastened a chain around the neck of his 15-year-old daughter, suspended her by the chain from a meat hook in his butcher shop, and then beat her with the butt end of a buggy whip until the blood flowed freely from wounds on her shoulders and body, were made against J. J. Johnson, who was arraigned in recorder's court this morning.

There are three specific charges against Johnson—disorderly conduct, cruelty to a child and assault with intent to murder. On motion of the defendant's attorney the hearing was continued until Friday.

Policeman R. M. Moore, who arrested Johnson, states that he was called to the Johnson meat market last night by a telephone message from neighbors who heard the girl's screams. The policeman stated that when he reached the shop he found Johnson's daughter, Nellie, hanging from a meat hook, suspended by a chain, which had been wrapped twice around her neck and locked. Moore said the girl's arms, neck and portions of her body showed evidences of severe beating, and that blood was flowing from the wounds, apparently caused by the butt end of a buggy whip, which the father held in his hand. The chain had made a gash in the girl's neck and she was exhausted when the policeman released her from the chain.

Moore arrested Johnson, who was refused bail by the authorities and locked in the jail. Johnson told the authorities he had whipped his daughter because he could not control her.

LADIES' WONDERFUL ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

(The Observer.)

Goldsboro, June 24.—Yesterday evening about 6:45 o'clock, just as the lightning and thunderstorm was breaking into the heaviest downpour of rain that has visited the city in years, the large automobile of Mr. John L. Borden, driven by his negro chauffeur, James Wooten, at a high rate of speed to get its occupants out of the storm, overturned at the corner of John and Ashe streets, and that none of its occupants was killed is little short of miraculous.

The car was occupied by Mrs. John L. Borden and four of her children, Misses Rowena, Mary and Annie Lee, and Master Arnold, Miss Elizabeth Borden, youngest daughter of Mr. E. B. Borden, Mrs. D. R. Kornegay and Mrs. Robert Miller. It was found that Mrs. Miller had a broken ankle, several ribs broken, and is badly bruised. Mrs. Kornegay has a dislocated shoulder and scratches, cuts and bruises on face, arms and body, but no broken bones. Miss Mary Borden's face is badly lacerated and lower jaw broken in two places; she is also considerably bruised about the body. These three are the most severely injured. The others are more or less bruised, cut and scratched.

Kinston, June 20.—Three-year-old son of H. C. Ipeck, a farmer living near Cove City, was attacked by an infuriated hog when he stumbled into her litter of pigs, and was frightfully injured. The boy's face was lacerated and one eye torn out. He may lose the other. Some women rescued him and he was rushed here to a hospital and will probably recover.

WEBB LIQUOR LAW NOT PROSECUTABLE.

Washington, June 19.—The Webb law forbidding interstate shipments of liquor into "dry" states is not a criminal statute and violations of it cannot be prosecuted in United States courts. Attorney General McReynolds so declared in instructions sent today to every United States attorney in the country. The law merely prohibits such interstate traffic and contains no penalty for infractions.

"Its purpose," said the attorney general, "is to permit state laws to operate in respect of intoxicating liquors moving in interstate commerce."

The law simply deprives shippers of any privileges they might claim on the ground of interstate commerce and permits the application of state prohibition laws to interstate commerce in liquors.

This is the first time the department of justice has construed the Webb law, which was declared unconstitutional by former President Taft and former Attorney General Wickersham. President Taft vetoed the bill on the ground that it violated the interstate commerce clause of the constitution by delegating the regulation of commerce to the states. The bill was passed over his veto.

Attorney General McReynolds' interpretation is said to mean that the federal government is not called upon to enforce a law for the violation of which no penalty is imposed and that the interstate commerce forbidden by the law is "outlaw" commerce in regard to which the states are free to apply their statutes. The attorney general did not attempt to pass upon the constitutionality of the act, and it is believed that this question ultimately may reach the United States Supreme court.

Lightning Destroys Wood Working Plant.

Fayetteville, June 23.—A fire was started by lightning today which destroyed the plant of the Fayetteville Wooden Ware company. The loss is \$26,000 and was about half insured. Fifty men are out of work. Orders aggregating 30 carloads of goods are on hand. The company will probably rebuild immediately. The same storm fired the strawberry packing house of C. S. Strange and the country place "Myrtle Hill," destroying the house. Two mules were struck on the farm of D. B. Gillis. Cora McLean, a negro girl, and Rose Cromartie, an aged negro woman, lost their lives.

Nine Drowned.

Washington, June 23.—"Nine unaccounted for and undoubtedly drowned" was the report to the War Department tonight on the capsizing of the Government survey steamer Beaver, yesterday on the Mississippi River near New Madrid, Mo. The list of missing: C. S. Williamson, Jr., engineer; J. W. McConeill, surveyor; J. C. Lamb, pilot; A. D. Coston, steam engineer; Owen Logan, stoker; H. Estes, C. Brown, Philip Wray and H. S. Sherrill, laborers.

The report said that every effort was being made to recover the bodies and that a diver had been engaged to make an examination of the steamer. The boat is at the bottom of the river, under 18 feet of water.

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COME AND HELP US CELEBRATE

Uncle Sam's 137th birthday will be celebrated in big style on July fourth, and we are going to make the old gentleman proud of his boys. Every citizen of Caldwell, Watauga, Wilkes, Alexander, Burke, Catawba and other surrounding counties is cordially invited to be with us on that day, and help us enjoy the big celebration.

This is Lenoir's entertainment, and we are now insisting that all our good people come in and enjoy the day at our expense. Every cent of the expense is contributed by citizens of the town and they have responded liberally just to give the people of this section of the State a day full of pleasure and amusement. All the contests will be open to everybody irrespective of county and age.

From morning till night good music will be furnished you by the Hickory and Lenoir bands, and we are making special efforts to provide free ice cream. On the second floor will be the offices of the president, the science hall, laboratory and class rooms. The remainder of the building will be given over to much labor and exertion, and we are only asking now that you come, bring the old woman and the children and enjoy what we have prepared for you. It is going to be the biggest day in the history of Caldwell County, and you just can't afford to miss it.

Cordially yours,

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FACE FORWARD.

(Raleigh Times.)

In North Carolina's Hall of History is the most splendid message ever sent by a North Carolinian and it is, like all really great messages, in a few words. Here it is: "Tell my father I died with my face to the enemy." It was written on the field at fateful Gettysburg and the writer was the gallant Col. Isaac Erwin Avery. He and his horse were both shot and his right side was useless, but as he reclined, dying slowly, he contrived to get from a pocket a pad of paper and on it wrote or rather scrawled this message to our race throughout the ages. It is an epitome of North Carolina's work at Gettysburg, because that was the fashion in which our men went to their fate on that field. This message, over which men and women have looked with eyes full of what have been aptly called proud tears, carries with it a meaning for other people than those who are soldiers, for North Carolina ever calls on her sons and her daughters too to keep their faces towards many sorts of enemies. We do not have to recount these enemies; the public conscience knows them all too well. All North Carolina wants is that, knowing them, we shall be prepared to die if need be, in our opposition to them.

A Mississippi judge refused a woman a divorce which she wanted because her husband kissed her pretty maid. The wife should be thankful that her husband has found a way to keep the servant.

When you write an advertisement, write it to fit all of your readers rather than a few who can comprehend a complicated sentence or a dictionary style.

MAKING THINGS LOOK NICE.

(Ohio State Journal.)

"I will not put that pavement down," "I'll not sod that front yard," "I'll not trim that tree,"—because I will not get a cent more rent for the house if I do. That is not stating the whole case. Of course the man should have his rent. He can't do without that. But there is something incumbent on him, and that is the civic duty of making his property presentable and attractive so it will be an honor to the community.

Owning property is a sort of public matter after all. It establishes a relation between the owner and the people. He has no right to make that relation a purely selfish matter on his part. He should exert himself somewhat to make it agreeable to his neighbors. Suppose everyone in this town would refuse to improve the appearance of their property a bit more than they had to—why, in 10 years the city would look desolate, and bankrupt. Never keep up a ragged appearance, never permit an eyesore, never refuse to put down a pavement or improve a lawn because it will not increase the rent. The truly great man lives to benefit others and not himself, and yet in benefiting others he benefits himself. It is hard to get onto that gospel, but it is there—written in the very constitution of things.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to the many kind friends who have ministered to us so faithfully during the long continued illness of our dear companion and mother. And for the many expressions of sympathy for us in her death.

May the blessings of Almighty God, ever be with you.

C. H. CURTIS, and family.

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PISGAH FOREST TRACT WILL NOT BE PURCHASED.

Washington, June 23.—The Pisgah forest tract, part of George Vanderbilt's famous Biltmore estate in North Carolina, which the national forest commission inspected three weeks ago with the view of purchasing it as part of the Appalachian forest reservation, was decided against today by the commission. Officially the only reason given for the decision was that "all things considered in connection with the proposed purchase, it was decided best not to take the contract." The price asked, certain restrictions and contracts for cutting timber, which it would have been necessary to accept, are said to have influenced the commission's action.

The commission today approved for purchase two tracts, one of 3,900 acres in the Mt. Mitchell area, western North Carolina, average price \$5.39 an acre, and another of 2,100 acres in the White Mountain area, New Hampshire, average price \$4.95 an acre. This makes the total area purchased by the commission since its creation less than three years ago more than 600,000 acres.

Jail Delivery At Graham On Sunday.

(Daily News.)

Burlington, June 23.—There was a wholesale jail delivery in Graham, the county seat, yesterday just about noon. There were five prisoners, all negroes, and all escaped. The jailer and his family had gone visiting, with the jail securely locked. The five prisoners, all in one cell, knowing this, secured a piece of pipe or iron bar and sprang the cell door sufficiently to allow one of the negroes, a boy, to pass through. He went downstairs and searched and found the keys, and returned and let all free. They were seen escaping by an outsider, who reported to the police, but they got away. One of them returned this morning and gave himself up, but the other four are still at large, and are heading toward Danville, it is understood. They are: Dee Moore, Jim Evans, Tom Cooper and King Fuller, all in for stealing.

If You Want To Be Loved.

(Christian World.)

Don't contradict people, even if you're sure you are right.

Don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend.

Don't underrate anything because you don't possess it.

Don't believe that everybody else in the world is happier than you.

Don't believe all the evils you hear.

Don't repeat gossip, even if it interests a crowd.

Don't jeer at anybody's religious belief.

Learn to hide your aches and pains under a smile.

Learn to attend to your own business.

Do not try to be anything else but a gentleman or a gentlewoman, and that means one who has consideration for the whole world and whose life is governed by the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would be done by."

Why can't you have your advertisements set up and displayed in a style that will make them conspicuously different from those of the other fellow?

NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Interesting Reading Matter of Local and National Affairs in Condensed Form.

The North Carolina Veterinarian Medical Association met in annual session in Salisbury Tuesday.

A large tobacco warehouse at LaGrange, the property of Mrs. O. C. Wilkerson was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The blaze is believed to have been the work of incendiaries.

Ben and James Threatt, brothers of Lancaster, S. C. became engaged in a difficulty Monday, while visiting their parents, and as a result, Ben is seriously cut in several parts of the body and James is in jail.

In an interview at Asheville a few days ago, former Governor Robert B. Glenn stated that in the early fall, he would definitely announce whether or not he would oppose Senator Overman for the United States Senate next year.

The automobile of Clarence Reynolds of Weaverville, went over a bank last Sunday morning a few miles north of that town, turning completely over, and the occupants, a lady and several children, narrowly escaped death.

Tom Alford, colored of Smithfield, was instantly killed Monday morning, while attempting to splice a broken wire. He caught hold of a live wire and was knocked from the pole. His neck was broken in several places by the fall.

Announcement had been made that the American Tobacco Company will begin the manufacture of Sovereign cigarettes in Durham about the first of July. The whole of the output of this cigarette will gradually be carried to Durham from New York.

A drunken passenger giving his name as B. F. Little of Hickory created a stampede and panic on passenger train No. 35 running from Salisbury to Asheville, Tuesday night by firing five shots from his 32 caliber pistol, just as the train left Barber Station.

Drs. John S. Hood and J. E. Anthony and Mr. John White narrowly escaped death Monday afternoon, when the second section of No. 37 struck the rear of the automobile, while crossing the track of the Southern Railway near Kings Mountain. The car was torn to pieces.

J. O. Clary, an employee of the Southern Power Company, while doing some extra work at Kings Mountain for the town, was knocked from an electric light pole, by a shock received from a live wire and fell twenty five feet from the ground, sustaining serious injuries.

Judge, lawyers, policemen, and spectators were sent scurrying to cover in the Criminal court of Washington, D. C., late Monday afternoon, when Ray Stewart aged 18, fired three wild shots in an attempt to "shoot up" the court. The boy is said to be unbalanced as a result of reading cheap literature.

A Western bachelor has just left a girls' school \$10,000. Very few men who have escaped matrimony exhibit so much gratitude to the girls.

Some people give the impression that everything they tell you happened to them twice.