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## Lee Fisher Begins His Sentence.

Sheriff A. L. Hill left last Saturday for Raleigh, where he will turn Lee Fisher over to the State pententiary. It will remembered that Fisher was tried and convicted for killing R. F. W. Allston at Lynn, several months ago.

# Directory COLUMBUS, N. C.

#### Baptist-Rev. T. H. Posey pastor, Preaching 2nd and 4th. Sundays at II a.m and on Saturday before 2nd. at. 3 p. :n Sabbath School every Sunday 10 a. m N. T. Mills, . Supt. Presbyterian-T. C. Croker, pastor. Freaching-, 3rd Sundays at 3 p.m. sunday School-Fvery Sunday to a. ut.

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SURPRISED THEIR FRIENDS.

## Miss Kellte Waldrop Becomes the Bride of Mr Crawlord Walker

The marriage of Miss Nellie Waldrop to Mr. Crawford Walker of Mill Spring comes as a surprise to the many friends of this popular couple. The happy

# The Tick of the Old Clock

[Original.] When I bought my country place I made in offer for it and everything on it just as it stood, and the deed was thus made out. The house was 150 cears old and there was some very old furniture in it, including a clock reach-ug from the floor of the hull nearly to the ceiling. It had not kept time for idany years. The works were fusty. and the pendulum, which had been deinched, stood in the corner of the case. While the party from whom I made he publishes and 1 were looking at the dd clock he gave me the following reason for the pendulum being in that postion: He said that there was a tra-

ition that one of the former of the premises had been warm he clock would foretell the bour his death. How this ghostly infarina-ion was to be conveyed was not designated, but the warned man, boying to lisarm the ghost, detached the penduium and set it in the corner of the case. One night in autumin, when the winds were blowing and the rain falling, he was tring while awake when uddenly the old clock in the hall below began to tick. What induced him to count the strokes from the very first one he didn't know, but he did count them till the three thousand five hun dred and fortleth stroke, when a sudden sinking sensation came over him, and he called for assistance. He died one minute later, or on the three thousand six hundredth stroke-that 's, in exactly one hour from the first stroke. 1 thanked my informer for this grewsome tale and told him that if he would verify it I would sell him theproperty I had just bought from him for one half what I had paid him, but the days of ghosts had passed and such stories no longer affect people as they once did. : .

Nevertheless, conscious as we are that there are existences beyond our ken, one must be superstitious. The seed had been planted in me, and often event occurred Saturday Jan. 9th afterward when I lay awake at night and's much or untruth can be dis f would fancy the slightest sound to be the tick of the old diock. I was tempted to sell it, but, in the first place, my wife greatly valued such old truck; in the second, I was ashamed to confess even to myself that I was afraid of it. You laugh at me, but how many people are there who de not prefer to first see the new moon over the right shoulder? This alone indicates that we are all in a measure superstitious. Whether by nature or One autumn my wife left me to be gone a few days. There was only a Polk county s most industerious servant at home besides myself. The hight following my wife's departure the house seemed unusually still-in-The News joins with their deed, it was unusually still. I can't say I felt unwell, but I was what I may call discomposed. My usual hour for going to bed was 10 o'clock, but this night I sat up till 11 and even then felt no inclination to seek my ionely couch. I got to sleep, however, in about half an hour after going to hel. During the night I aweke suddenly. Sometimes we awake at might feeling comfortable. He awake for a short time and go to sleep again. But this night 1 knew the moment I awoke that I was in for a senson of wakefulness. It was a bad night. The wind was fitful, and a slow rein had been coming down block to be erected between the cil day. I felt a terror creeping over me, though at what I could not divine I was not afraid-of the dark or the wind or the rain. Nevertheless I was I had been awake only a few mo ments when I heard a tap, tap, tap, tap, for all the world like the ticking of a clock. Why I did so I can't es plain, but I counted each trp or tick from the first. Then it occurred to cided interest in Tryon, and there me that the ticking came from the clock in the hall below. The works had not been cleaned, the dendulum still stood in the corner, but if ever i had heard any sound coming from a certain direction I heard that cloc's ticking, and the ticks seemed to the to be exactly one second apart. I hepton counting, not from choi e, but from come unexplained compulsion. I tried to stop counting, but do what I would couldn't lose the number of the bests There 1 lay, every minute growing more and more discomposed, counting the seconds by sixties, knowing that at every sixtleth second another minute had elapsed. The story that had been told me about the clock thus warning a man of his death would not be ban Ished. By the time I had counted 1.200 strokes I was in a terrible condition, and at the three thousandth 1 knew I was hearing collepse. I remetaber counting 3,000 beats, after which I must have become uncen When I came to myself it was contog dawn. I was weak as a bilter. 1 wished to get up and call a servant. her d one in the hall and callel. A doctor came, my wife was te'enraphet. for, and-well I was not cut of hed ngain the old clock was not there. Mr wife had removed It. fix months later one rainy night -1 heard the ticking or tapping again. I awakened my wife and called her at tention to it. She listened for a mo ment, then said; "Is that what threw you into collapse?" "Yes; the same sound." "You silly man, that's nothing hat dripping water." I would not go to sleep till I had 10"fe ad examination and had verified dennester enter old cleck, cleaned and repaired. studies in the hall, to my wife's great pleasure, tast dan't fince it over much. - ROBINSON M BRIDE

WE LEE Is hig just beyond the chiele of fire light - rose complithing. Mustafa Ahmed slipped away apput his daily Presently I head his guinned cawing to get the camel again to rest, but the beast would not down and must be beaten, the boy meanwhile mouthing great curses. I wondered that a being so smalleshould without peril to filmself strike a creature like this with his fist, continuing all the time within

reach of teeth and hoofs. Mustafa, "a most curious and interesting thing about this."

Ahmed had mastered the damel and ne y came to his place.

"The khawaja has observed." Mustata continued withat a child may beat and commanded campl. It is not because the camel is stupid nor yet beuse he is timid; it is because of a wise provision whereby God sulted him to the weakness of men. The camel's eyes are like magnifying glasses and increase the stature of his muster seven tlines, wherefore he is obedient to the gigantic appearing creature.".

In Damascus, too, I heard this superstition .- Norman Duncan in Harper's Magnzine.

The Telltale Hand. A writer in an English weekly declares that if we want to know what the other person is thinking we must look at his or her hands. Even unpracticed lips can lie, as every one knows Long practice in self control will enable one to keep one's voice sweetly cordial when there is nothing but indifference or cold dislike behind it. The eyes can be made to shoot glances which are not at all a register for the emotions. But the hands, it is accorted, are utterly beyond the controll of these to whom they belong. Even people who, hardly ges, igulate at all-had to keep the hands still is considered by the Anglo-Sazon a most es sential part of good breeding-even these people are, it seems, constantly revealing themselves in little move ments of the hands. The immortal Mulvalley has put it on record that a wo



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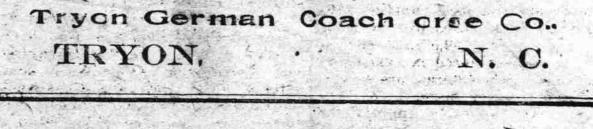
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The Great German Coach Horse.

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cloud & West

A sentence of fifteen years was -imposed on him.

successful in a hunt for possums one night last week.

Mr. D. V. Tallant's residence is nearing completion, and people are wondering who will be the fortunate mistress of this beautiful country home. '

Several hunting parties were en chain of happiness and proshere during the previous week perity. for the purpose of hunting in \*this vicinity. Claude Ballenger and others camped near here for several days and nights, and with a pack of hounds succeeded in catching a number of coons on the mountain.

It is an every day occurrence to get notice at this office to addresses of our paper change from one postoffice to another, which is easily done when the patrons give their old addresses, which we hope they will do hereafter when as king to change.

If you love, love more. If you hate, hate less. Life is to short satisfied that the opportunities to spend in hating any one. Why presented will appeal to any one war against a moral who is going the same road with us? Why not expand the flower of life and hapiness by learning to love, by teaching those who are near and hands may be hard, but your bance which John Fisher; of heart need not be. Your gorm flowers grow in the most rugged uncheltered places? The paloce not very careful, business will crowd all there is of beauty out of the heart. This is why God has given the Sabbaths and Saturday nights, that we may leave business and have a little heart Cleaning.

at Inman, S. C.

Mrs. Walker is the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. Jake Carpenter of Land- Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Waldrop, of rum, accompained by Mr. J. W. Mill Spring and is one the most Newman, of this place were very popular young ladies of the town. Mr. Walker is the son of Mr. E. L. Walker and a young man inheritance, I don't know.

of splendid character and one of youg man.

host of friends, in wishing for them a long life with an unbrok-

### NEWS FROM TRYON.

Tryon Bee

Mr. L. Reibling is busy on his new plans for the new brick Smith block and R. F. Blue's building. We are not at liberty to state what the plans are, but in an uncomfortable condition. we can safely say that Trade street will, undo ibtedly, be beau tified by a handsome structure. Mr. Reibling has manifested deis no question but what he will add largely to the business of the

town. . We have been seeking capitalists of that class for a number of years, and we feel who desires to invest in this direction.

The case of Fisher vs. H. M. Tanner, auditor of the Southern Railway, was tried on Monday before Justice of the Peace Gash. dear a beautiful lesson? Your The affair grew out of a distur-Lynn, caused on the train ou may be hent or ugly, but do not Dec. 20, when, the conductor, know that the most beautiful Maj. Johnson, and the auditor, scieus. H. M. Tanner, disarmed Fisher. A trial at .Saluda resulted, in which Fisher was bound over to but had not the strength. Later, I. of care, the cottage for love; the Superior Court for carrying Not that there is no love in a concealed weapoits; and also put , mansion; but somehow if we are under a \$200:00 bond to keep for a nepth. When I went downstairs the peace. After that. Fisher swore out a warrant for the larceny of his pistol by II. M. Tanmer; but as 'ranner handed the pistol to Marshal Ruodes when when he served we warrant there seemed to by no case whatever Tanner stating he thought it a rooman thing to return a plate! to a man when he sugarlad es The home paper is the mirror it away from hun for ica. cr us ing shot. Atty. Shipman, Faurola attorney, was present at the hearing.

erned by the action of her hands. O: carse it takes a practi of reader to incorpret whit the breads are saying. t is not a case of "he who runs may

Cletr Furs. eThis is ea, fur," sold a furrier. We use it for light An excellent h ing car fur makes too. Dogs, calves, The light, op ssume buts rets-any itial that wears fur, in fast, is cald a in the fur market. Bat hair t fed up with other stull hits up ins. that ship. It is also mod. I believe repe picking. The days the crothe operation of dea for the deprop i tredied, mattes a very hardson inter l'attribution ave conclored fa cetlist definite sepairs, and they also ive to form the timmla of goes, tyes. A cuer, this about the Init frages i what the fund must be take: The de d-of whiter, "The impiaust work ender the emelect climatioditions. Only thus is the fur at f. et. The Crescer, on the other hand, the could work bert intend weather, must do all his work in the heat of summer or otherwise he would not be able to keep up with the changing fashions."-Exchange.

The Magical Mirror. An ordinary mirror of any size or shape, a piece of Franch chalk pointed so that it can be used to write and a silk hundker hief are the requisites. Draw upon the mirror with the chalk any design or words you choose. With the handkerehief whoe the glass lightly until it is perfectly clear and no writing or design is apparent. Having all fuls prepared beforehand, show to some one and request that he breathe gently on the face of the glass, when he will see a picture of his future wife. for the design drawn will show very distinctly. This can again be wiped off, and if breathed upon the design will be again visible.

An Odorless DisInfectant. If one objects to the cdor of carbolle acid, he may use for the plumbing an odorless disinfectant prepared as follows: Dissolve half a pound of permangamate of potnsh in four gallens of water and pour this carefully down the pipes. This solution, if allowed to stand in bowls or basins, will stain them purple. The stains may be removed with a weak solution of oxalic acid. The acid must be rinsed off immediately after it has been used.

A Hindrance. Suburbanite-You are hof an hom late this morning. Letter Carrier-Yes" matam. The sections of storepipe 1 have to wear inside my trousers legs on account of the dogs you keep along this street hamper my movements. ma'am."-Chicago Tribune.



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Rare Indurd.

How rarely do these three things meet-a can who thin's rouching, is fitted for it and any great number of persons who think he ought to have ft -Exclusive.

Crusted.

Stonebrahe-Ito you think your fathe would object to my marrying you? Holder I Con't know If bo's ruything like me he world .

Parents and tuski are always ented well before Christman-Atchi son Clobe.

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