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Concord's Fighting Rat Goes

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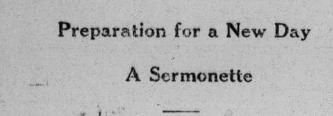
Concord.-Concord's most famous back of the Tom, planting his teeth home." It was a long trip, particu- thousands of bales of cotton linters office of the Green River Bottling usually scaling face. A friend stoprat, conqueror of a three foot rattle- in the cats neck.

snake after a week's battle, is seeking The cat showed his surprise with the srfeet-car. Just out of the hospi- being consumed by the da Pont Com- tive of The United States Publisher new worlds to conquer. Inspired with convulsions of the body and shricks tal, and hardly able to walk, she pany in the production of Duco, which that he believed country newspapers a zeal uncommon in rats and charg-ed with vemon from the snake he shock his body with all his strength billed is unlike paint, varnish and enamel to be the most effective form of ad-top, from which she could view her in that it contains no oils. Thus, as vertising for bottlers of carbonated killed after being bitten several and sought his foe with the paw, country home, she said, "I cannot so a new by product of agriculture, it beverages. He aid that advertise times, the rat recently drove off a cat Still the rat clung, on driving his any forther, I am ready to drop in has opened new markets for the ments of such a product as sets defines the troubble?" the friend asked. placed in the cage with him and to- teeth again and again into the neck my tracks and die, yet I want to farmer. originally constructed for his first victim. The ration to the state one too too. The cation of the saw the lights sissippi no one had an automobile "The people in the city skim sissippi no one had an automobile "The pe

Admire's of the rat's fighting stuck to his job for fifteen or twen- nerved her on. Reaching the house corn would some day be used as a particular thing they are looking for. qualities following his victorious bout ty minutes, then began to tire of the she peered in through the window. finish for automobiles and still this the country weekly read every working his victorious bout the she peered in through the window. with the ratiler, wagered that it jabbing in his neck. He forgot to use wather and mother could not sleep year this chemical achievement is a- he said. "But the people who reswould be just as successful against his paw as an offensive weapon and that night, for it was just one year rousing more interest among the in it." a cat. The wagers were quickly call- sought to locate with it some opening since Flora had left their roof, and farmers than an yother feature of ed and a neighborhood cat placed in in the wire of the cage. the cell.

Several person who questioned the Why everyone knew he was supposed like this: "Just a year ago. Flora pany contained many new and beau- started a Little shop that became a rat's ability to kill a snake were to kill that rat, seemed to say the left." "Oh, that Flora might return, tiful Daco color combinations which great department store and brough called into witness his second major expression on his face, yet here was We have waited and waned and battle within ten days.

The cat knew his business but not determination of a tiger. the temperament of his foe. No soon- Supporters of the cat finally took husband, I caw Flora's face, as she er was he in the cage than he made him from the cat, and the rate went looked in through the window-pane." didn't claim he was doing it t pro- n't make one country's pet hate a a lunge for the rat, which was quietly back to his corner, with his fur still He said, "No, darling, you did not sheltered in a corner of the cage, so newhat like the feathers of a frizz- see Flora's face on a wintry night The cat's paw found the corner of by chicken, the only mark he bears as like this. That is only the wind and the cage but not the rat for with un-presult of the fight with the snake. enow brushing the branches against usual speed the rodent shifted to the the window-pane." They talked on,



(Rev. H. W. McDiarmid.) Notwithstanding the extreme cold so made by night to emphasize the "Mother." "Yes. Flora, dear, what is it?" "Mother. He was younded for lips began to move, and the said, weather and the Christman holiday fact that Christ was to be the light my transgressions. He was bruised changes good interest was manifest- of God in a dark world. ed in the Presbyterian services lest Sunday. At the evening service the the Argelic Hosts these shepherds and, mother, oh, mether, with His for my iniquities and the chastise pastor , Rev. H. N. McDiarmid, did d'fferently from what men are stripes I am healed." I tell you men. preached a most unique sermon from doing today, not questioning the fact and women, this Christmas-tide, let

the subject, "Preparation for a New of Christ's birth and of his divine us say with the shepherds-Day," using as his text, Luke 3:14, origin, but said, "Let us go even into "Let us now go even unto Bethle-Bethlehem and see, and when they bent, and see this thing which is "What Shall We Do?" In part the pastor said, "when went they found even as the Angel come to pass"; and they went, and

John the Baptist the fore runner of had said." If men will search as they found it even as the angel had Christ came into the regions round carrestly today for the divinity of said." about Jordan announcing the coming Christ and his virgin birth as these of the Messiah, and preaching the shepherds did their search will like

Farmers Interest In baptism of repentance, he aroused wise be rewarded. the interest of three classes, the In view of God's offer to the world common people, the publicans and the of a Savior and especially at this seasoldiers. One hearing John's message son when we have just celebrated his and the character of the Savior to birth, all people should come from more interested in the 1926 Automocome, and the nature of bis mission, the ways of sin and dedicate themthese three classes came to him ask- selves to God in Christ. In illustraing the same question. "What Shall ting this point the pastor told a We Do?" To the common people touching story as given by Dr. R. E. John replied "Him that hath two Neighbour, the whole of which is of this year's show is the beauty and

coats let him impart to him that worth repeating: variety of Duce colors seen on the "Once upon a time there was a girl hath noze; and he that bath meat let him do likewise," impressing up- that went far away from her home. Motor, Company, nev cars exhibited by the Chevrelet on them that the possession of these She ran away, and Eved in sin. Soon things implied an obligation upon the roses left her checks and the colors comes from the fact that two them. To the publicans who were light went out of her eye. She be-The agricultural interest in these guilty of exacting more taxes than came sick, and was carried to the United States are combined by the the law allowed and crediting them- hospital. There she hovered between chemists in the manufacture of serves with the same, John answers life and death for two or three their question by saying "Exact no months. She was turned out of the more than that which is appointed haspital on Christmas Eve. She said you" thus showing that the Savior to herself, "I am not fit to go home expected to establish principles of to my father and mother. I will not honesty in business. To the soldiers go on in my life of sin. There is no who were guilty of intimidation and place to go. I will go out youder and robbery in the regions in which they drown myself." She was strolling acamped, John replied to their ques- long the street that wlatry night, tion and said, "Do violence to no that Christmas-Eve, As she passed man neither accuse any falsely and a church she heard music, and so he cont at with your wages." In an- she just slipped in, and took a back swering these three classes, anounc-ing the first coming of Christ, John hand; he read for his text, these was making known the manner of words: "He was wounded for our living which Christ expected to char- transgression, He was bruised for acterize citizeds in his kingdom. As our iniquities, the chastisement of we today are closing an old year our peace was upon Him and with looking forward to the opportunity His stripes we are healed." When of a new year and anticipating the Flora heard these words of the text. second coming of Christ when he she dropped her head over on the shall come in power and great glory, beach in front of her, and there, with these same principles of charity, her face buried in her bands, she honesty and righteous living should thought of those matchless words characterize all the activities of She did not hear the minister's ser-God's people. If these principles are mon, she did not hear the choir sing not already established in our con- ing, nor did she hear the benediction duct, the most important thing for She thought only of Chr.st and His us to do is to see that they are cs- Cross and of her own sins. Finally tablished before the New Year dawns the hand of the sexion touched her, upon us, and before Christ comes un and he said, "Woman, are you go ing home to-night? She looked up expectedly. At the morning hour Mr. McDiar- a Trighted, and staggered out into mid used for his text. "Let us Now. Even into Bethlehem and see this NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS. thing which is come to pass," And The annual meeting of the stock-belders of the Union Trust Company they went and found it even as the Angel had said. Speaking of this reof Shelby, for the election of directors solution of the shepherds, attended, was called to the fact that these shepherds were abiding in the same country where Abraham journeyed and toward which Daniel faced and three times a day prayed to God FORREST ESKRIDGE, Cashier solution of the shopherds, attentionwhile in exile in Babylon, and where God had chosen to build up a right-NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS. cous nation. Attention was further The annual meeting of the stock called to the fact that God first helders of the First National Bank made known the Savoir's birth to of Shelby for the election of directors Shepherds rather than to merchantmen, bankers or men of any other trade, because the shepherds in car-ing for their flock represented the 12th, 1926 at 11 o'clock a. m. at their for the ensuing year, and for any othcare which Christ was to exercise for banking ro FORREST ESKRIDGE, Cashier. **ECK & STEPHENS** Certified Public Accountants Gastonia, N. C. COME IN NOW

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the night. As she went, she said, mixed with nitric acid to form nitro- COUNTRY WEEKLY BEST cellulose while corn, after being dis- SOFT DRINK AD M On Another Rampage in Fight side, He was bruised for my iniqui- tiled into duty alcohol, is used as a ty." Finally she said, "I am going solvent. The result is that today A representative of the St. Louis two-days with a worried look on his tels, and after the slow the students

larly, the final eight miles beyond and millions of bushels of corn are Company recently totd a representa-

always with the rat on top. The cat shining from the windows. That and no one dreamed that cotton and through the paper until they find the

radly, and then the mother said, "Oh,

look, look, I saw Flora's face." The

girl had peered in through the win-

dow and then turned from view. Flore dragged herself to the door,

turned the latch, and, as it flew open

she fell across the threshold. The

loving arms of father and mother

picked her up and laid her on a lounce.

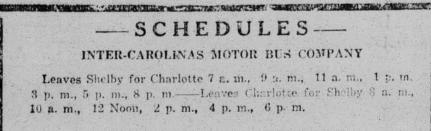
As Flora regained consciousness, her

sad eyes fixed on mother, then her

New York Auto Show

the rat on his back fighting with the pled with God that she might come room of Arey Bros Garage. car also be seen at the local show them an immense fortune is dead.

> Cain might have been worse. He If only the school histories would tect his rights. other's pet hers.



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> To be Manufactured in Shelby, Beginnnig at an early date.

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udden change from joy in bloom.

"I fear my wife is going insane. It's

those people next door," Walker said.

"What have they done? What's

ped bim and asked the reason for the ments on him.

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"No thank you very much."

"Well, have a cigar, then?"

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co: Cotton, in the form of inters, is BILIOUSNESS Retired Minister Tells How He Keeps in Good Form With the Assistance of Black-Draught.

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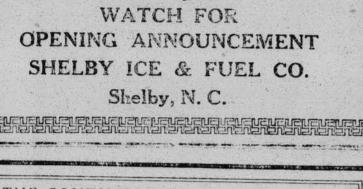
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cent, per annum, payable semi-annu-ally, and the principal will mature \$200 per annum on the first day of January of each year, 1929 to 1953 inelusive. Bidders, when making their bids, must deposit a certified check upon an incorporated bank or trust company payable to the Town of Waco for two per cent, of the face amount of the bid to secure the town against any loss resulting from a failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of the bid. Bids could be filed with undersigned mayor or clerk and treasurer. This December 19, 1925. U. L. BLACK. Clerk and Treasurer Town of Waço, N. C. 2t-21c.



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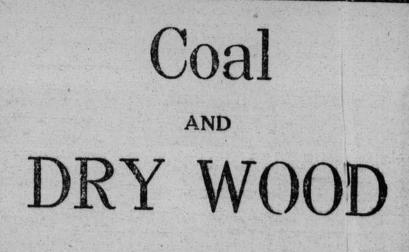
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