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IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Matters Of Interest Over the State.

Bertie county is for free silver.
Tarboro, it seems, will soon have another cotton factory.

Great damage to crops in Onslow county are caused by grasshoppers.

The wife of Rev. J. W. Edwards, near Fayetteville, dropped dead Sunday night.

The Southern Dental Association will meet in Asheville this year on July 28.

Davidson College will erect a scientific building to cost \$15,000 to the memory of the late Col. Martin.

Eleven inmates of the Rowan county Home for the Aged and Infirm are over 75 years old and five are over 85 years.

Last week H. C. Patton, of Asheville, a prominent merchant, was found drowned in a small pond at that place.

A horse thief, named Thomas, was caught with a stolen horse in Burke county and placed in the Morganton jail.

At a revival conducted by Evangelist Weston R. Gales, at Rocky Mount, there have been about one hundred accessions to the church.

John Davis, of Alexander county, struck Arthur Reber, of the same county, on the head with a jug of brandy from the effects of which he died.

Dave Lane—The Mail Robber.

For six months or more a systematic robbery of the mails sent to and from Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Co. has been going on. The matter was reported to the Postoffice department and detectives have been on the alert. Thorough investigation will always trace these thefts to the Durham postoffice, and on this account suspicion rested upon the force in that office.

Finally, Gregory and Dexter, two detectives, who had the matter in charge, devised a scheme that caught the rascal. A colored man named Dave Lane was employed at the factory and it was his duty to deliver mail at the office and receive mail and take it to the factory. He did not handle all the mail, but only that sent to and from the coupon department. And the robberies were confined to the mails from this department. Some days ago one of the detectives went to Greensboro and mailed two or three packages to the coupon department with money enclosed. They were bills and marked. He saw the packages put in the pouch at Greensboro, followed the pouch and saw it safely delivered to the mail agent, went in the mail car and saw the package unmolested put in the pouch for delivery to the Durham office. The man who carries the mail from the railroad station to the postoffice was closely shadowed. When the mail was taken to the office one of the detectives kept watch at the front door, the other at the rear. Dave Lane went in and got the mail, there being no one in the office at the time but Mr. Jenkins, the delivery clerk. When Lane left the office for the factory he was closely shadowed and it was observed that he could not have tampered with the packages on the way. When the mail was handed in at the factory office the letters had been broken and the money gone. Lane was arrested and the money found in his pockets. When he got the morning mail there was no one in the office but Mr. Jenkins and it is thought the packages were opened in the postoffice.—Durham correspondent to Raleigh News and Observer.

A Beecher on Trial for Forgery.

One son of Henry Ward Beecher is on trial for forgery and his brother is counsel for him. They do not look in the least alike, nor does either resemble the distinguished father.

The proceedings are before Justice Fursman, in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, and they are like a proxy civil trial in which there is a tangle of wall street affairs.

Henry B. Beecher was the senior partner of Beecher, Schenck & Co.

It was brought out that Beecher, Schenck & Co. were the agents for the American Security and Casualty Company, of Baltimore, of which W. E. Midgeley, one of the partners of Beecher, Schenck & Co., was president. Beecher, Schenck & Co. were the general agents of the company and were to receive 35 per cent. of the premium.

The specific act for which H. B. Beecher was indicted was forging the corporate name of F. B. Bond, vice-president of the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul railway. By means of clerks, book-keepers and heads of departments it was shown that Mr Beecher in 1893, had handed Manager Burke, of the railroad department two applications for policies purporting to be signed by Bond. One policy was for \$500,000; the other for \$250,000, and the amount of commission due Beecher, Schenck & Co. on them would have been \$222,000.

This amount was carried through on the books and brought into the annual report. Mr. Weeks said that the Casualty Company declared a 5 per cent dividend on the basis business, although the policies had never been made out.

Vice-president Bond was placed upon the witness-stand yesterday. He said he had never signed the applications for the policies. The signatures are "F. S. Bond, per A. S. B." Mr. Bond said he knew no one whose initials were "A. S. B." and that he had never authorized the signing of the applications. In fact, he had never heard of them until recently.

It was Mr. Wellman who brought out that Mr. Beecher knew how Mr. Bond signed his name and that the signature showed no suggestion of an attempt to imitate that of Mr. Bond.—New York World.

Notes and Opinions.

The total amount of gold, silver, paper and fractional silver money in the United States is \$2,739,000,000.

Steamboat Ironsides struck a stone in the Ohio and sank in five feet of water. The boat was worth \$21,000. No lives were lost.

In South Framingham stands the highest and largest elm to be found in Massachusetts. It is 36 feet in circumference and was planted in 1775. It is still green.

Kentucky has a colored new woman who is a bricklayer and stone mason. There is also a white woman in that State who, although 77 years old, shears her own sheep.

A Novel Incident.

A rather novel incident occurred some nights ago in Monroe. There was a mad dog scare in the neighborhood, so a young man who went out calling carried his pistol with him for defence in case he should come across the dog. When he returned towards home it was very dark and, hearing some noise behind, he at once supposed it a dog and turned around and fired. Instead of hitting a dog he shot another young man who had been out calling and was returning home. The ball went between the bones on the young man's leg and he has not yet been able to walk again.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH, 1896.

Convention Dates.

Democratic National Convention, Chicago, July 7.

Populist National Convention, St. Louis, July 22.

Silver National Convention, St. Louis, July 22.

Democratic State Convention, Raleigh, June 25.

A Chicago man whose wife's affections have been stolen is suing for \$50,000. If some men would value their wives affections half so highly when they have them as they do when the affections are gone there would be fewer law suits.

A story is told on Russell Sage to the effect that a lady went to him a few days ago with a subscription book and asked his assistance for a worthy charity. Mr. Sage took the book, ran quickly through the list of names and saw that Mrs. Russell Sage was down for \$25, so he promptly took his pen in hand and put "Mr. and" before Mrs. Russell Sage.

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An Eccentric Man.

"Mr. Lewis Click, aged 85 years, died at his residence near Hot Springs Monday evening. Mr. Click was a good citizen and very consistent in all his ways and dealing. Like many other men, he was a little eccentric and had some peculiar notions. For instance, one day his dog either accidentally or intentionally killed a young chicken. Mr. Click had the dog brought before him at once for trial. His son Dan and daughter, Susie Ann were witnesses against the dog. After hearing the evidence Uncle Lewis pro-

nounced the dog guilty and sentenced him to 11 years' close confinement. An old crib was used for a prison and in that place the unfortunate dog served seven years. Many of the neighbors plead hard for the poor dog, but he would not remit a day. The dog was fed and watered regularly, and after staying seven years in the old crib, some one under the influence of strong drink, who had considerable feeling for the dog, entered the premises one night and carried him away, and he has never been seen since. It is said by many who saw the dog that his claws grew long as a panther's, and his eyes turned green as grass, from staying in the dark so long. At another time he tried his ox for pushing down a few panels of fence. He found the ox guilty and sentenced him to imprisonment for three years in a rail pen 10 feet square. The ox served out his term and afterwards became a useful animal."—Ex.

Learning to Ride the Bike.

She had taken two lessons on the wheel and wanted to try it without an instructor. So she rented a bicycle, took it up on a back street of San Rafael, headed it downhill so she would not have to work too hard and had a lady friend hold it until she got on. She started a little wabby, but soon got the wheel going straight down the incline at a three minute clip before she realized that it was running away with her. Just then a cow and a calf loomed up in the street ahead. She gave herself up for lost and screamed. The experienced cow thought it was a new sort of locomotive whistling and got out of the road, while the calf stood squarely in the middle of the street, with its fore legs spread apart, its ears sticking out like cabbage leaves and its eyes fairly popping out of its head in astonishment.

The bicyclist screamed again, and just as she expected to collide with the calf it whirled around and with its tail over its back went bawling down the street. When the cow saw the queer looking apparition in bloomers chasing her calf, she started to the rescue, bawling at the top of her lungs. Half a dozen neighborhood dogs heard the racket and went yelping after the cow. For two blocks the procession went down the street, the calf, bawling in the lead, the woman a close second and screaming, the cow bawling along close behind and the dogs howling at her heels. Finally the lady struck a stone and landed in the gutter with the wheel on top of her, and there she lay till the procession had passed.—San Francisco Post.

The Most Expensive of Governments.

Congressman Joe Wheeler, of Alabama, recently called attention to the fact that we spend far more money for government than any other nation.

The appropriations made by Congress at its session just closed amount to \$515,984,820. The last Federal census shows that in 1890 our State, county and municipal expenditures aggregated \$569,252,634. These latter expenditures are undoubtedly much greater now than they were in the census year and it is safe to say that our total expenditures for governmental purposes during the present fiscal year will far exceed \$1,000,000,000. No other government spends anything like so great a sum.

Russia, which has a population of over 100,000,000, spent last year but \$885,005,996; France in 1893 spent \$690,184,119; the United Kingdom, \$469,592,105. Perhaps all local expenditures are not included in these figures, but the expenses of the German Empire may without doubt, be fairly compared with those of our Federal government. The German Empire spends in 1895-96 but \$297,240,240, against our appropriation of \$515,984,820. Our expenditure for pensions exceeds that of all other governments several times over and is far greater than the cost of any standing army in the world.

AN INVOCATION.

Fall, gentle rain, in blessed, brimming drops—
Cool with thy kiss the city's burning streets;
Moisten the meadows where the hot sun beats,
And fall refreshing on the thirsting crops!
The warm wind for thy cordial greeting stops—
The panting flock for a merry welcome bleats;
The famished fields unfold a thousand sweets,
The grass bends dimpling on the mountain tops!
Fall, gentle rain, while the rejoicing land
Smiles thankful where each radiant gem appears:
Fall like a benediction from his hand
Who makes the storm and sunlight of the years;
Who sends thee to refresh the living,
and
To mourn the dead that knew no love—or tears!

FRANK L. STANTON.

Lightning's Queer Freak.

One of the queerest freaks of lightning yet recorded is the prank it played at Mr. Alex. Dunn's at Neuse. In Mr. Dunn's barn lot are a row of cow stables, four in all. All were occupied when lightning struck the building last Saturday. The cow in stall number one was killed, the animal in stall number two escaped unharmed. The cow in stall number three was killed, and the cow in stall number four was unhurt. The only explanation of this strange incident is that the stalls are built at the foot of a large tree. In the stables where the cows were killed the roots of the tree protrude, while in the other two stalls the roots are beneath the surface. The bolt of lightning struck the tree.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The County Paper.

Any man can take a newspaper. It is the cheapest thing he can buy. What good does it do you? It instructs you and your wife and teaches your children; it comes to you every week rain or shine, calm or storm, bringing you the best news of the neighborhood. No matter what happens, it enters your doors a welcome guest, full of sunshine, cheer and interest. It shortens the summer days and enlivens long winter evenings. It is your adviser, your gossip and friend. No man is just to his wife and children who does not give them the home paper to read.

Reward of Merit.

Teacher: And how, James, was hoisery made in former days?
James: Don't know.
Teacher: Next!
The Next: Er—er—er.
Teacher: Next!
The Next: Dunno.
Teacher: Master Flipp, do you know?
Master Flipp: Nit. (Is sent to the head).—Judge.

Walter—Poor Dibles! The say he got a pair of beautiful black eyes lately. I feel sorry for him. Tom—You needn't. He got a very handsome girl with them.

"The Hopkins family has quit taking ice."

"Why is that?"
"Couldn't agree on whose duty it was to get up early and identify it before it melted."

Notice.

All residents of Greenville owning dogs are hereby notified that they must register the same and pay the taxes thereon by the 1st of July, as required by Ordinance 36, Section 1 of the Town laws. E. M. McGowan, Tax Collector.

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Greenville Market.

Corrected by S. M. Schultz.

Table listing market prices for Butter, Western Sides, Sugar cured Hams, Corn, Corn Meal, Flour, Family, Lard, Oats, Sugar, Coffee, Salt per Sack, Chickens, Eggs per doz, Beeswax, per.

Cotton and Peanuts

Below are Norfolk prices of cotton and peanuts for yesterday, as furnished by Cobb Bros. & Commission Merchants of Norfolk:

Table listing prices for Cotton (Good Middling, Middling, Low Middling, Good Ordinary) and Peanuts (Prime, Extra Prime, Spanish, Tone—firm).

GREENVILLE TOBACCO MARKET REPORT.

BY O. L. JOYNER.

Table listing tobacco prices for Tops (Green, Bright, Red) and Cutters (Common, Good, Fine).

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TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Dated June 14th 1896.	No. 23 Daily.	No. 35 Daily.	No. 40 Daily.
Leave Weldon Ar. Rocky Mt	A. M. 11 55 P. M. 1 00	P. M. 9 44 10 39	A. M.
Lv Tarboro	12 12		
Lv Rocky Mt	1 00	10	5 45
Lv Wilson	2 05	11	6 20
Lv Selma	2 53		
Lv Fayetteville	4 36	1 7	
Ar. Florence	7 25	3 4	
	No. 40 Daily.		
Lv Wilson	P. M. 2 08		A. M. 6 20
Lv Goldsboro	5 10		7 05
Lv Magnolia	4 16		8 10
Ar. Wilmington	5 45		9 45
	P. M.		A. M.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Dated April 20, 1896.	No. 78 Daily.	No. 32 Daily.	No. 40 Daily.
Lv Florence	A. M. 8 40	P. M. 7 40	
Lv Fayetteville	11 10	9 40	
Lv Selma	12 37		
Ar. Wilson	1 20	11 35	
	No. 48 Daily.		
Lv Wilmington	A. M. 9 25		P. M. 7 00
Lv Magnolia	10 52		8 30
Lv Goldsboro	12 01		9 36
Ar. Wilson	1 00		10 27
Lv Tarboro	2 48		
	No. 78 Daily.	No. 32 Daily.	
Lv Wilson	P. M. 1 20	P. M. 11 35	P. M. 10 32
Ar. Rocky Mt	2 17	12 11	11 15
Ar. Tarboro	4 90		
Lv Tarboro			
Lv Rocky Mt	2 17	12 11	
Ar. Weldon		1 01	

Train on Scotland Neck Branch leaves Weldon 3.55 p. m., Halifax 4.1 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 4.55 p. m., Greenville 6.47 p. m., Kinston 7.45 p. m., returning leaves Kinston 7.20 a. m., Greenville 8.22 a. m., arriving Halifax at 11.00 a. m., Weldon 11.20 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a. m., and 3.00 p. m., arrive Fayette 3.50 a. m., and 4.40 p. m., Tarboro 9.45 a. m., returning leaves Tarboro 3.30 p. m., Fayette 10.20 a. m., and 6.20 p. m., arrives Washington 11.50 a. m., and 7.10 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Connects with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., via Albemarle & Raleigh R. R. daily except Sunday, at 4.50 p. m., Sunday 3.00 P. M., arrive Plymouth 9.00 P. M., 5.25 p. m. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 6.00 a. m., Sunday 9.30 a. m., arrive Tarboro 10.25 a. m. and 11.45

Train on Midland N. C. branch leaves Goldsboro daily, except Sunday, 6.00 a. m. arriving Smithfield 7.30 a. m. Returning leaves Smithfield 8.00 a. m., arrives at Goldsboro 9.30 a. m.

Trains in Nashville branch leave Rocky Mount at 4.30 p. m., arrive Nashville 5.05 p. m., Spring Hope 5.30 p. m., Returning leave Spring Hope 8.30 a. m., Nashville 8.30 a. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 9.05 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Trains on Latta branch, Florence R. R., leave Latta 5.40 p. m., arrive Dunbar 7.50 p. m., Clifton 8.05 p. m., Returning leave Clifton 6.10 a. m., Dunbar 6.30 a. m., arrive Latta 7.50 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton daily, except Sunday, 11.10 a. m. and 8.50 p. m. Returning leaves Clinton at 7.00 a. m. and 3.00 p. m. Train No. 18 makes close connection at Weldon for all points daily, all rail via Richmond, also at Rocky Mount with Norfolk and Carolina R. R. for Norfolk and all points North via Norfolk.

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MAIL THIEVES.

Tricks of Rascals Who Rife Uncle Sam's Letter Boxes.

Much Money is Annually Pilfered from Envelopes by Expert Operators—Schemes by Which They are Caught.

One of the few cases of recent occurrence where money has been stolen in the New York postoffice happened in March, 1895, when a clerk named Lagan was detected in secreting letters. It was his duty to distribute the letters into boxes, and as he did this rapidly he managed to throw about one out of five into his vest, which was really a large pouch open at the top. Lagan was sentenced to three years in prison. In the fall of 1891 a gang of expert thieves was found to be plundering mail boxes all over the country. In each city they would proceed in the same manner, their first care being to get possession of the padlock attached to a mail box; which they could easily do by sawing through the staple.

Having procured this lock, it was child's play for them to make a key which would fit it, and they would open any mail box in the city. Having provided themselves with the key, the rest was plain sailing. Every evening one of the thieves, disguised in the regulation uniform, would make his round from box to box in the most open way, being practically free from interference or suspicion, since not even the policeman in any neighborhood or residents there would have any idea that he was not a postman, perhaps a new one, and he would be left free to go ahead with his depredations.

The stolen mail thus obtained would be brought to the rooms occupied by the thieves and there carefully examined. Every letter would be opened, either by steaming the envelope or with a pen-knife, and if found to contain nothing valuable would be resealed and mailed again, so as to lessen the chances of suspicion. Of course, money and all articles of value were retained, and a great quantity of checks were obtained in this way, the latter being in many instances "raised" or "altered" so that the conspirators were able to realize large sums on them.

The originator of this ingenious scheme of robbery was Prentiss Tiller, who is now "serving time" in the Jackson penitentiary, while his accomplices were sentenced to from 10 to 15 years.

As it is almost impossible to take postoffice thieves in the act of robbing the mails, the inspectors have to rely upon ruses in discovering the guilty clerk or employe. One of the most common and successful devices is that of the test letter, a trap in which many light-fingered employes have been taken.

After weeks, sometimes months, of surveillance, the question of guilt is narrowed down to two or three men, upon whom the decoy letter or package is then tried.

For instance, if the complaints have been in regard to small pieces of jewelry, such as are often sent through the mail, the test letter will contain a scarf-pin or a pair of sleeve buttons, inclosed in such a way that they can be plainly felt by anyone handling the letter.

And if money has been stolen, then the letter is prepared with bank notes wrapped in thin paper, so that they can be readily seen on holding the letter up to the light. Whatever is inclosed in the letter is marked in such a way that it may be easily identified afterward.

Thus prepared, the test letter is mailed in the district from which came the letter in regard to which complaint has been made. The letter is posted by one of the inspectors, who, unknown to the postman, stands near by and watches until the letter is gathered up.

Returning to the office, the inspector notes whether the letter is in the mail pouch which is to carry it to its destination. If it is not there the field of suspicion is narrowed down to the postman who carried it from the box to the office and to the clerks who handled it while being stamped and put in the mail pouch.

If the letter is found in the pouch, then it is checked at every subsequent point where it is liable to be handled, the checking being done by the inspector in charge, who in no instance interferes until the usual opportunity for theft has been accorded.

As soon as the inspector who is on the trail of a test letter finds that it has disappeared, and concludes from his check system that it must have been abstracted by one of two or three men, he immediately orders those men to be taken to a private room and searched—searched thoroughly, so that if the tell-tale bill or object is on their person it must be discovered.

There are many complaints of money lost in the mails, which upon investigation prove to have their source in the dishonesty of employes. Porters, office boys, petty clerks, all have opportunities to take what they know are valuable letters, and often avail themselves of them.

For instance, only a short time ago many complaints were received from the Presbyterian missions, which were losing money at an extraordinary rate. The culprit proved to be their office boy, a lad of 16, with a salary of four dollars a week. He confessed his fault, and said that he had spent the money in taking his girl to the theater; that they went two or three times a week, and

that he liked to give her small presents. There are many similar cases, and a remarkable feature of them is that often the people who have made the complaint refuse to press it when they know it concerns one of their employes, and sometimes they do not even discharge the offender.—Boston Globe.

TWO SKELETONS.

One is Over Four Times as Large as the Other.

The largest and smallest skeletons of humanity ever preserved are kept in the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, in Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. One is eight feet four inches in height. The other is less than two feet.

Charles Byrne, the famous Irish giant, who was more generally known as O'Brien, died in 1783, when he was 22 years old. His capacity for liquor was in keeping with his high physical proportions. So keen was his anguish over losing all his property—to-wit, a £300 note, that he drank a cask of ale in one day. The day following he was dead.

Bryne had a great dread of becoming a dissecting-room subject. He made a bargain with a fisherman before he died to take his body out into the channel and throw it overboard. Hunter, the English surgeon, learned of this arrangement, and by paying the fishermen \$500 he prevailed upon them to carry out their bargain to the letter, but to attach a rope to the body and drag it up again after it had been immersed. The fishermen served two masters and Hunter got the body.

The tiny skeleton is that of Caroline Crachami, the Sicilian dwarf, who was exhibited in Europe in the early part of the century. The child did not grow after birth, and before she reached her teens she died.

Her body, it is said, was sold to a British surgeon by her parents. Beside the giant's frame stands one of the boots he wore when he died. The skeleton of the dwarf can be slipped into it as easily as a pipe stem.

Too Good to Use in Spanking.

Almost incredible sums are sometimes expended on slippers. Thus not long ago a countess had a pair made, ornamented with rubies, emeralds and diamonds, costing \$20,000. But at a masked ball given by the duke of Manchester some years ago a lady impersonating Cinderella wore a pair of slippers adorned with jewelry valued at over \$60,000.

Spectacles.

Roger Bacon was the first to suggest the use of spectacles. When they came into use in Italy, about the year 1285, on the recommendation of Alessandro di Spina, a monk of Pisa, women were forbidden to wear them, because it was thought that such facial ornamentations would make them vain.

A Free Press in Austria.

Austria's new ministry has sent a circular to all public prosecutors reminding them that the freedom of the press is guaranteed by the constitution, and warning them that the illegal practice of confiscating newspapers, on the ground that they incite to hatred and contempt, will no longer be tolerated.

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South Bound Freight, arrives 2:00 P. M., leaves 2:15 P. M.

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G. M. Tucker came home Thursday evening from a trip to Norfolk.

Mrs. Lena Hanes, of Wilkes county, committed suicide last week by hanging herself. Her mother killed herself a few years ago in the same manner.

Hal Sugg tells us he has just sent off another order for the book entitled "Cuba and the Fight for Freedom." It is a splendid work and should be taken by every body.

To Ocracoke.

Quite a number of people will go from here to-morrow on the excursion to Ocracoke. The round trip fare from Greenville is only \$2.25. Those who go will find Hotel Ponder, at Ocracoke, under the management of Mr. George Credle, more delightful than at any time in its history. Many improvements have been made, the hotel nicely renovated and refurnished, and the fare excellent. Steamer will leave Greenville at 2 o'clock P. M.

ON THE EXCURSION.

Faces Seen Looking Out the Window Either Going or Coming.

J. A. Dupree went up the road to-day.

J. Z. Brooks, of Grifton, spent to-day here.

O. W. Dail, of Snow Hill, is in town.

A. G. Cox, of Winterville, was in town to-day.

W. C. Hester returned from Oxford Thursday evening.

Mrs. Georgia Pearce returned this morning from LaGrange.

J. T. Williams went to Kinston Thursday evening.

James Staten, of Everetts, spent last night here and returned home this morning.

F. C. Harding and C. C. Joyner went to Bethel to-day to attend the commencement of Bethel Academy. Mr. Harding delivered the address.

Severe Hail.

We learn that a severe hail and wind storm passed over the section between Great Swamp and Grindle Creek on Thursday evening. Many farms were badly damaged. The worst sufferer seems to be Mr. J. R. Barnhill, near Berea church. His crops are almost entirely ruined, the tobacco crop especially. He says he will have to cut it all down and let suckers come on the stalks. In many places cotton and corn were broken off by the wind and fruit trees are blown down. Mr. W. R. Whichard, who rode through a part of the damaged section, tells us it is almost heart-sickening to look upon the ruined crops that but a few days ago were so beautiful and gave such promise of a bountiful harvest. We sympathize with the sufferers.

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At Rest.

The remains of Mrs. Alvania M. Clark were interred in Cherry Hill Cemetery at 11 o'clock to-day, funeral services being conducted by Rev. E. D. Wells. The pall bearers were Messrs. G. F. Evans, H. A. Sutton, E. A. Moye, J. L. Little, J. J. Cherry, C. D. Rountree, J. S. Smith and D. J. Whichard. A large number of friends followed the remains to their last resting place.

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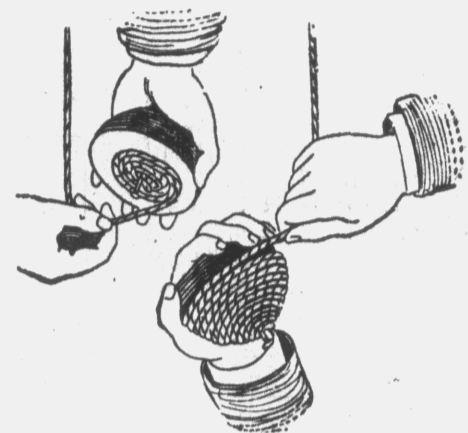
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