

**The Insurance Companies have adjusted my loss and I will now throw all of my stock that was damaged on the market at prices below cost. All who want bargains are invited to come and see what I can do for them. The goods must be disposed of as early as possible.**

**EXPRESS RATES.**

Reduced by the Railway Commission.

The railway commission Monday, at Raleigh took action on the complaints regarding express rates by issuing two circulars. The first is as follows:

"The maximum charge per 100 pounds over 1 mile and not over 25 miles on shipments of classified merchandise and classes B, C, and D, shall not exceed 30 cents."

This a reduction of 10 cents.

The second circular is as follows:

"On all shipments of freight originating and terminating in this State which shall pass over the whole or portions of two or more roads not under the same control, the maximum rates charged shall not be greater than the sums of the local rates on such freight less 10 per cent, for the distance hauled over each road."

**A Curious Oath.**

The following curious oath was until recently administered in the courts of the isle of Man: "By this book, and the holy contents thereof, and by the wonderful works that God has miraculously wrought in heaven and the earth beneath in six days and seven nights, I do swear that I will, without respect of favor or friendship, love or gain, consanguinity or affinity, envy or malice, execute the laws of this isle, and between party and party as indifferently as a herrin's back bone doth lie in the middle of the fish."

**A Few Tongue-Twisters.**

Most of you probably are the possessors of a limber tongue; but if you want some good exercise for it just try to repeat these sentences rapidly several times in succession. You can also derive a great deal of fun getting your friends to do the same:

Six little thistle sticks.  
Flesh of freshly-fried fish.  
Two toads totally tired, tried to trot to Tedbury.  
The sea ceaseth, but sufficeth us.  
Give Grimes Jim's great gilt-gig whip.

Strict, strong Stephen Stringor snared slickly six sickly silky snakes.

She stood at the door of Mrs. Smith's fish-sauce shop welcoming him in.

Swan swam over the sea; swim swan, swim; swan swam back again; well swam swan.

A haddock, a hadpock, a black spotted haddock, a black spot on the black back of a black spotted haddock.

Susan shineth shoes and socks, socks and shoes shineth Susan. She ceaseth shining shoes and socks, for socks and shoes shock Susan.

You know the tongue twister Peter Piper, but there are many other jingles which are harder. One of the simplest and best or worst is, "mixed biscuits." Try saying that rapidly, and if you succeed, say this, a sentence which Londoners frequently have to use: "Stop at the shop at the top of Sloane street."

The Cuban Revolution began on the 24th of March, 1895, one year ago today. Although Spain promised to suppress the rebellion in six weeks the fighting has been going on for twelve months and if there is any truth in what the friends of the Cuban patriots say the cause is stronger now than ever. The insurgent army has surrounded Havana, the capital of the island, and the Spanish troops are unable to drive them away. All friends of liberty hope the patriots will gain their independence. —Salisbury Herald.

The Messenger reports two men freezing to death near Wilmington during the cold snap last week.

**A SONG OF SNOW-TIME.**

Sing a song of snow-time  
Now its passing by,  
Million little fleecy flakes  
Falling from the sky;  
When the ground is covered,  
And the hedge and trees,  
There will be a gay time  
For the chickadees  
Boys are in the school-house,  
Drawing on their slates  
Pictures of the coasting-place,  
And thinking of their skates;  
Girls are nodding knowingly,  
Smilingly about.  
Thinking of a gay time  
When the school is out.  
Three o'clock, four o'clock,  
Bang! goes the bell;  
Get your hats and cloaks and wraps,  
Hurry off, pell mell!  
Bring along the coasters all,  
If you want some fun;  
Up to the hill top,  
Jump and slide and run!  
Steady now! Ready now!  
Each in his place!  
Here we go, there we go,  
Down on a race!  
Sing a song of snow-time,  
When the snow-flakes fall;  
Coast time, skate-time,  
Best time of all!

**CONJURER WAS CONFIDENCED.**

**His Accomplice in a Trick Did Not Live Up to His Agreement.**

An illusionist was talking the other day of some of the accidents that sometimes spoil the art of the conjurer.

"It was in Nashville, Tenn.," he said, "that I experienced a real knock-down blow. I was performing the well-known trick of passing a marked coin into the center of an uncut orange. At least, that's what a good many people thought I was doing. I used a silver dollar and emphasized the trick by passing the coin into the pocket of some boy whom I had enticed on to the stage. I will openly confess that the boy had to be a confederate and that the marked coin had its fellow in one previously prepared by me. One night as I was entering the theater, I looked around for a likely youth to aid me in my double dealing. I picked a boy and promised to pass him in if he would follow my instructions.

"I am a conjurer," I said. "I want you to put this dollar in your right-hand trousers pocket. I'll get you a seat in the front row. When I ask for somebody to come on the stage you must come. Then I will ask you to produce the dollar."

"The boy promised everything, and, after making arrangements for him at the door, I left him. When I was ready for the dollar trick, I saw my young confederate sitting open-mouthed in the front row. I had prevailed upon another member of the audience to lend me a dollar marked exactly as was that I had given to the boy.

"I passed that borrowed dollar into the orange, cut the fruit open and out dropped the coin. Then I went on:

"And now, ladies and gentlemen, I will perform a still more difficult feat. I have passed the dollar into the orange. Now I will ask some member of the audience to step on the stage, and, without going anywhere near him, I will pass the same dollar, marked as you have seen, into the right-hand trousers pocket."

"True to his bargain, the boy stepped to the stage, I stepped opposite him and asked:

"Now, sir, have you ever seen me before?"

"No, sir," was the answer.

"I have here a dollar," I continued.

"I am going to pass it into your right-hand trousers pocket. One—two—three—go!"

"I made the proper magician's pass, and smiled upon my audience.

"Now," I said to my assistant, "put your hand into your right-hand trousers pocket, and give me the dollar."

"The boy looked a bit sheepish, but he dived his fist down. Then, to my unutterable horror, he produced a handful of silver and said:

"I've only got 90 cents of it left, sir."

"I went out in a hurry and took a drink."—N. Y. Times.

**An Awkward Fix.**

"What! you say that Herr Schmidle, the merchant, has gone blind? Here's a pretty how d'ye do—I've got a bill on the man which made it out, payable at sight!"—Dorfbarber.

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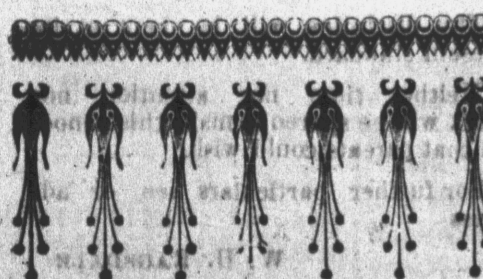
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A Tragedy in Polk.

Thomas Panter, a young white man aged about 21 years, met a horrible death near his home at Sandy Springs in Polk county, last Monday morning.

He had gone rabbit hunting accompanied by two little boys. Soon after they started, his dog began to fight, Panter became enraged at them and aimed a heavy blow at them with the butt of his gun.

Panter fell in his tracks, called the boys to him, told them he was killed and expired.—Rutherfordton Democrat.

He Could Chop.

Two six-year-old youngsters, Richard Bland, son of Noah Bland, and Ellis Elliot, son of Esquire Elliot, who are attending Miss Meldona Livingstone's fine school at Holly Springs, were playing with an axe on the school grounds the other day and began to dispute about their prowess as wood choppers.

How Japs Launch Their Ships.

The Japanese apply one of their pretty ways to the launching of ships. They use no wine. They hang over the ship's prow a large pasteboard cage full of birds, and the moment the ship is afloat a man pulls a string, when the cage opens, and the birds fly away, making the air alive with music and the whirl of wings.

The majority of people naturally think that mail matter means letters and books and newspapers, with some small packages of merchandise, that can go cheaper through the post than by express.

that this stuff may be carried free at the expense of the government. Mr. Wolcott has introduced a bill which, if passed, will correct abuse of the mails.

KEEP A STIFE UPPER LIP.

When everything seems gone to rack, Don't sit down and feebly grieve; Try to lure your good luck back— Do your best and make believe.

Although the world has got you down, Do not whimper in your sleeve; Insure your soul against its frown— Do you best and make believe.

If still good fortune draws not near— Foes attack and friends deceive, Be yet your own stronghold of cheer— Do your best and make believe.

Yes—make believe that fate will mend, Make believe time will retrieve; Court sweet illusion to the end— Do your best and make believe.

—Chicago Record.

A young lady walked into an Abeville store and after selecting a piece of cloth asked what was it worth. "Four kisses per yard," said the polite clerk. The young lady stood abashed for a moment and replied that she would take four yards.

Queen Louisa of Prussia and the Rose. Before parting Napoleon spent a few moments at her side, and at the end, turning, pulled from a bunch a beautiful rose, which he offered with gestures of gallantry and homage.

"Madame," came the frigid reply, "it is mine to give and yours to accept." But he gave his arm to conduct her to the carriage, and as they descended the stair together the disappointed guest said in a sentimental and emotional voice, "Is it possible that, having had the happiness to see so near the man of the century and of all history, he will not afford me the possibility and the satisfaction of being able to assure him that he has put me under obligations for life?"

With solemn tones Napoleon replied: "Madame, I am to be pitied. It is a fault of my unlucky star." Queen Louisa's own lady in waiting related that her sovereign's bitterness overcame her at the last, and as she stepped into the carriage she said, "Sire, you have cruelly deceived me."—Professor Sloane in Century.

What It Cost Him.

Mrs. Watts—There! We have cleared off the last of that church debt, and it never cost you men a cent. See what women can do.

Mr. Watts—I don't know about the other fellows, but I know you have made me spend more than \$100 for extra meals down town, while you were out monkeying around.—Indianapolis Journal.

Guessed Wrong.

Flathunter (who hates dogs)—Do you allow your tenants to keep dogs? Landlord (on the wrong scent)—Well, yes, sometimes.

Flathunter—That settles it. I won't take the flat.—New York Tribune

The vellela, a species of jellyfish, is a natural raft, having a membrane which, when erected and spread, serves as a sail.

A writer gives this advice to women: "If you have to stand up in the cars, do not assume an air of injured innocence."

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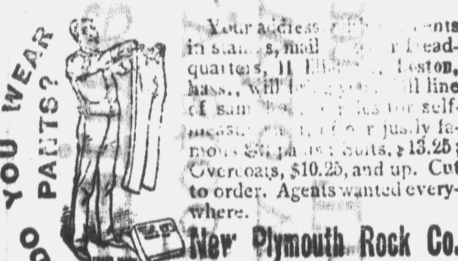
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Leave Weldon	A. M. 11 55	P. M. 9 27	
Ar. Rocky Mt.	1 00	10 20	
Lv. Tarboro	12 12		
Lv. Rocky Mt.	1 00	10 20	5 45
Lv. Wilson	2 05	11 03	
Lv. Selma	3 53		
Lv. Fayetteville	4 30	12 53	
Ar. Florence	7 25	3 00	
	No. 40 Daily.		
Lv. Wilson	P. M. 2 08		A. 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 Jan. 6th 1896.	No. 78 Daily.	No. 32 Daily.	No. 40 Daily.
Lv. Florence	A. M. 8 15	P. M. 7 41	
Lv. Fayetteville	10 58	9 40	
Lv. Selma	12 32		
Ar. Wilson	1 20	11 35	
	No. 48 Daily.		
Lv. Wilmington	A. M. 9 25		P. M. 7 00
Lv. Magnolia	10 56		8 31
Lv. Goldsboro	12 05		9 40
Ar. Wilson	1 00		10 27
Lv. Tarboro	2 48		
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Train on Scotland Neck branch leaves Weldon 3.55 p. m., Halifax 4.1 p. m., arrives Scotland Neck at 4.5 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 7.00 a. m., arrives Parmele 8.40 a. m., Tarboro 10.00; returning leaves Tarboro 4.30 p. m., Parmele 6.20 p. m., arrives Washington 7.45 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, 6.05 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., arrives Nashville 5.05 p. m., Spring Hope 5.30 p. m. Returning leave Spring Hope 8.30 a. m., Nashville 8.35 a. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 9.05 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Trains on Latta branch, Florence R. R., leave Latta 6.40 p. m., arrive Dunbar 7.50 p. m., Cho 8.05 p. m. Returning leave Cho 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.

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The Persecutions of the Boers First Started Him to the Wilderness.

Between Livingstone and his Boer neighbors there was little love. He accused the Boer farmers of cruelty to the natives, and they resented his interference and threatened to drive him out of the country. He published their misdeeds in the Cape newspapers, and in revenge for his strictures they finally set fire to his house and burned him out.

This it was which first induced Livingstone to travel to the north, in hopes of finding a land where he could follow in peace his vocation as missionary and where the Boer farmers could no longer molest him. In his search for the ideal territory he had in view he entered regions utterly unknown to the best informed geographer, and made many discoveries of importance. It was then that he discovered Lake Ngami and the southern feeders of the Zambezi. It was from this motive that he was led to continue his journey across the Zambezi, to follow its course to its head waters, and to make his way to San Paul de Loanda in Angola, and this was why he retraced his steps and followed the Zambezi to the eastern ocean, where his first series of remarkable adventures terminated after sixteen years of travel.

Just as the Boer persecution had started him on his explorations and diverted him from his cherished missionary work, so the great reputation he obtained by these brilliant feats of travel and valuable discoveries of great lakes and rivers tended to separate him still further from his true role. He had revealed the existence of a tropical world, of luxuriant savannas and extensive forests, where animal life was prolific and the vegetation was of marvelous variety and growth. The Zambezi river was 2,000 miles long, the lakes were full of sweet water, the soil was fertile and well repaid cultivation, the native products were varied and useful, and as for the natives, when left alone by the roving Arab and unmolested by the Portuguese half caste, the account of his long residence among them and his many adventures with them proved that they were a good deal better than English people had any notion of. However, the slave trade was rampant in the interior, whole districts were being devastated, and thousands of human beings annually perishing through the bloody violence adopted by the Arabs. The sights in the slave ship's hold were not to be compared in horror to what he had seen in African kraal and camp.

Livingstone was much occupied with delivering addresses in the principal British cities, and after warning his audiences with his glowing pictures of African lands, he would make their flesh creep by telling them of the wholesale murders perpetrated by the Arab and Portuguese marauders, and then close with an appeal for the help of Christian England to stop these horrid inhumanities.—Henry M. Stanley in Century.

**London Milk.**

Perhaps among the manifold contributions to the commissariat of London that of milk asserts itself most loudly. First, there is the rumbling transfer at railway stations of those truncated tin cones containing it which have arrived by night trains from the country into milkmen's carts, whose jangling cans add to the rattle they make as jehus drive furiously to the various "walks" where it is distributed by thick soled, white aproned women, who, in filling the household jug, also leave a "blob" of it on the doorstep—a libation resented by tidy mistresses. The noise of its arrival before the London milkmaid fills her pail might well lead one to wish that its transporting carts were fitted with pneumatic tires. No other vehicle makes such a seemingly needless row in going about its business. But every Londoner must have his supply of milk betimes, and in this respect the poor townsman is better off than his mate in the country. There a peasant, daily working in the midst of cow pastured fields, is often unable to get a jug of it for his family. It is sent away to the city, in whose meanest streets the housewife can always buy a penny worth.—Cornhill Magazine.

**Hard Work.**

Mrs. A.—I'm surprised that your husband earns so little if he works as hard as you say. What does he do?

Mrs. B.—The last thing he did, was to calculate how many times a clock ticked in the course of 1,000 years.—London Tit-Bits.

**WIENIAWSKI KNOCKED OUT.**

An Experience of the Famous Violinist in Aristocratic Society.

Eugene Isaye tells this story of Wieniawski's experience in Paris, in which the artist did not come off first best either. When that violinist was the rage, 20 years ago or more, a baroness of the Faubourg St. Germain insisted on his coming to her soiree. He did not care much about doing so, but finally gave in. When he went, the baroness received him with effusion, and after a few moments, when a few people were present, asked him to play something. He glanced around; the baroness had gone back to the head of the staircase, and there were present a few shriveled up old gentlemen and three or four young girls. "Bah!" he said to his accompanist, shrugging his shoulders. Let us play 'Ernst's Elegie.'"

Now, you know that "Ernst's Elegie" is of all compositions the most dull and uninteresting. It is tedious enough to drive a hearer to commit suicide.

They played "Ernst's Elegie," and the baroness, who had been out of hearing during the performance, came beaming into the room soon after, at least so runs the story in the Pittsburg Dispatch.

"Ah, monsieur, how beautiful! I cannot thank you enough, but might I dare to ask you to play once again? Yes!" And she hastened away to welcome more guests.

"What shall we play?" asked the accompanist. Wieniawski looked around. The company was becoming more numerous, but no more interesting than at the beginning. "Let's play 'Ernst's Elegie' again," he said.

They did so with renewed lack of attention from every one and another burst of ecstasy from the baroness and a third request to play, after which she fitted away again.

"If these people don't understand 'Ernst's Elegie' they must hear it till they do," Wieniawski said to his accompanist when she had gone, so he played the elegie for the third time, and the baroness, who came back just as the last few bars were being sounded, proclaimed this to be the most ravishing of all the violinist's renditions and bade him adieu with thanks.

Thus far this is the story as Wieniawski tells it, but Rubinstein, who heard it repeated once, said, "Ah, but you have omitted the last part," and this is how he ended it: "As Wieniawski was leaving the baroness' house one of the guests, a little shriveled old gentleman, who had been present from the beginning of the soiree, came up to the violinist. 'Monsieur Wieniawski,' he piped, 'I have felt the most profound admiration for your playing tonight. Indeed, I have never missed a concert that you have given in Paris.' Wieniawski bowed, and the old gentleman continued: 'There is one piece in your repertory that once made the most profound impression on me, and I desire ardently to hear it again. Come with your violin to my house tomorrow or the day after and name your own terms, for before I die I must hear you play "Ernst's Elegie."'"

Rubinstein says that Wieniawski did not stop to make the appointment. He rushed out of the house too much overcome to say whether he would gratify the old gentleman's last wish, and that is one of the most authentic musical histories that were ever penned, for Rubinstein and Wieniawski both vouched for it.

**Packing Sugar.**

The bag has displaced both the hogshead and the barrel in the shipment of refined and raw sugars. There was a time, not so very long ago, when such a thing as shipping sugar in anything but a stave made vessel was unheard of, but now it is just the other way. The bag has become popular because it is cheaper, and continues to grow cheaper, while the wooden receptacles advance in price at about the same ratio. Even molasses has gone back on the stave, and that sticky commodity is being carried in bulk.—Philadelphia Record.

**A Lost Rebuke.**

"George," said she in a tone of bitter rebuke, "as far as I can see you are going to the dogs."  
"You're never contented, Maria!" returned her erring husband. "You made me give up horses, and here you are complaining about dogs. Do I object to your cats and your canaries? No, madam! I would scorn to interfere with your pets—and I beg of you to respect my preference for noble animals!"—New York Tribune.

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## TRAIN AND BOAT SCHEDULES.

Passenger and mail train going north, arrives 8:22 A. M. Going south, arrives 6:47 P. M.

North Bound Freight, arrives 9:50 A. M., leaves 10:10 A. M.

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

Steamer Myers arrives from Washington Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Washington Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

## WEATHER BULLETIN.

Threatening and unsettled tonight and Thursday, warmer.

## FEBRUARY FANCIES.

Fun, Frivolities, Facts and Figures at One Finding.

Pure North Carolina Butter 20 cents a pound at D. S. Smith's.

Fine Oranges 25 cents a dozen at Morris Meyer's.

Prayer meeting in the Methodist church to-night.

7x11.—See what a big Slate you can get for 5 cents at Reflector Book Store.

So many people having gone to the Fair to-day makes it look unusually quiet on the streets.

Fresh Mountain Butter 20c per lb  
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NEWS.—The best Flour is Proctor Knott sold by S. M. Schultz. Try a 24 lb bag.

The Observer is advocating a tobacco warehouse in Fayetteville. A good tobacco market will help any town.

The E. M. Short Lumber Co, are moving their lumber road from Reeves Landing to Cowpen Landing near Pae-tolus.

Cod Fish, Irish Potatoes, Prepared Buckwheat, Oat Flakes, Cheese, Macaroni, P. R. Molasses, at S. M. Schultz.

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The REFLECTOR will be numerously represented at the fair to-day. The "old man," Leslie, Harvey and Frank are all doing it up.

Harding & McGowan have received their car load of Buggies which are the prettiest ever exhibited here. Prices are low down.

If you have not smoked the "Golden Seal" you missed something delightful. Sold by Jesse W. Brown at Cory's old stand.

Referring to the discovery of the cathode ray, a writer in the New York Sun says he expects to live to see the day when the law of gravitation will be overcome, and when we mortals can soar in the air without any air ships, patent wings, gas inflation or anything of that sort, but just soar at pleasure and scoot whither we will. That will be nice in slushy weather, won't it? A struggling fellow can rise then and have a pretty good showing.—Durham Sun.

## FAMILY AFFAIRS.

In Other Words Folks Whose Names Get In Print.

J. W. Wiggins left last night for Kinston.

W. C. Proctor went over to Whichards this morning.

W. H. Barbes, of Suffolk, Va., left this morning after spending a few days here.

R. P. Andrews, of, Washington, D. C., was in with his samples to see the "old man" last night. If you want to see something nice just wait 'till the stationery and blank books bought from him get in.

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## Notice.

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J. L. WOOTEN.

## Pitt in It.

In the race at Newbern yesterday we learn that a Pitt county horse, owned by Messrs Smith & Hooker captured third money. The name of the horse was Eloise.

## At Rest.

Hon. George W. Davis, a distinguished citizen of this State, died at Wilmington Sunday morning, in his 76th year. He was Attorney General in Hon. Jefferson Davis' cabinet. A good man has gone to his reward.

## Off for the Fair.

There were 190 tickets issued here this morning by Agent J. R. Moore for the excursion to New Berne. The tickets gave out and there were several that got aboard without them. There must have been 200 left here. The train had five coaches and a baggage car.

## Billie Listening.

Five candidates were introduced to the "goat" last night at the meeting of Stowell Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias—Wilmington Messenger.

Billie says he can't see why they will keep those gay and festive goats in the Lodge room. Every time he reads an item like the above he shivers. He says do away with the goat and you'll get more members. Eh, Jack.

## Will They Fight.

The following was cabled to this country from London Monday: The Bollingbrook Club of London has offered a purse of eight thousand dollars for a fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons, and will allow each five hundred dollars for training expenses. Should Fitzsimmons refuse it, Frank Slavin is ready to meet Corbett. Slavin already has a forfeit of five thousand dollars posted to meet Fitzsimmons. Slavin will bet Corbett five thousand dollars that he can stop him in five rounds. The purse is not so large as the one offered in America but the expenses are much less.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 24.—Corbett said to-day that he would accept the proposition of the Bollingbrook Club to fight Fitzsimmons.

## LAND SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Pitt County made at December Term 1895 in an action therein pending entitled "R. H. Garris against B. J. Heath and wife Rebecca Heath," I will on Wednesday, April 1st., 1896, sell at public sale before the Court House door in Greenville, to the highest bidder for cash, a certain tract or parcel of land in Pitt County, described as follows: "Lot No. 1 of the Patty Moore tract of land which was allotted to Rebecca Heath, being 1-5 part of said division, containing 9 acres more or less, adjoining the lands of Frank Tripp, Warren Braxton and T. R. Stocks."

This the 26th day of February 1896.  
ALEX. L. BLOW,  
Commissioner.

## Shot to Death.

It was rumored on our streets yesterday that a murder had been committed in Edgecombe county and we ascertained the following facts:

William M. Howell, a young white man, aged about 21 years, son of a prominent farmer, killed John Bullock, colored, living on the farm. Sunday afternoon Howell and Bullock had a difficulty about a horse. Hot words ensued, and Howell struck Bullock, inflicting a wound on his shoulder. Monday morning Howell ordered Bullock to leave the premises, but he refused, whereupon, Howell got his gun and, while standing in front of the house, Bullock drew his axe and cursed Howell, using threatening language, whereupon, Howell fired the fatal shot. Howell was arrested and in default of \$1,000 bond was placed in jail at Tarboro. The Coroner's jury brought a verdict of guilty of manslaughter.

## Warranted Not to Fail.

One day during the summer a man walked into a barber's shop in London and said: "Shave please." He was put into a chair and shaved, for which the barber charged a shilling. "A shilling!" said the man, bewildered. "Yes," said the barber. So the man paid the money and as he was departing he exclaimed, looking around the shop, "You've got a good many flies about your shop." "Yes," said the barber, "I wish I could get rid of the little pests." "Well," said the man, "I have a good recipe for getting rid of them." "Oh," said the barber, "out with it then." "You've got to pay me a shilling first." "All right," said the barber, as he paid it. "This is it, then," said the man, turning toward the door, "first catch your fly, then shave him and charge him a shilling, and I'll warrant he won't come back again. Good-by."—Ex.

## Died.

Mrs. B. F. Briggs, the well known proprietress of the Briggs hotel, at Wilson, died Monday morning at that place, after a long illness.

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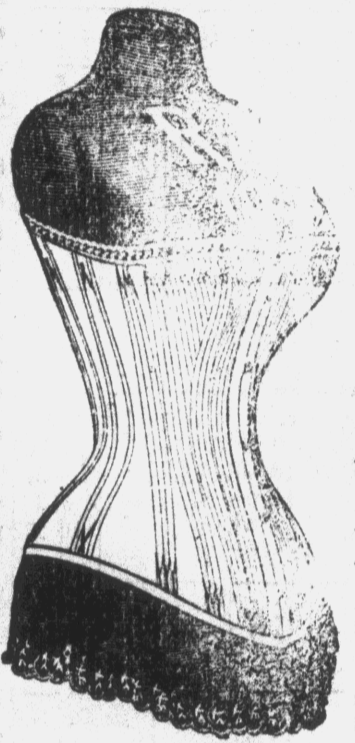
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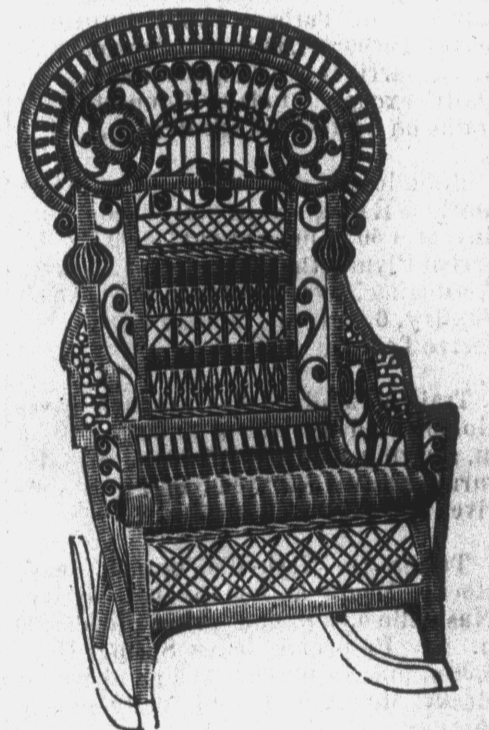
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