

Scraps and Facts.

At Asheville, N. C., Wednesday, the United States court gave Ed Hunt a verdict for \$8,500 damages against George W. Vanderbilt.

Colonel R. R. Hemphill, of Abbeville, has corrected the abduction story published in the Charlotte Observer.

A correspondent at Daytona, Fla., gives the thrilling experiences of a boy bicyclist riding there racing with a mad horse.

The next issue of The National Review, says a London cablegram of Tuesday, will contain an article announcing an important bimetallic development at the hands of the United States monetary commission.

Indications point to a decided falling off in the number of immigrants landing upon our shores during the present fiscal year.

It seems that old Horace Boies has been misrepresented somewhat. It may be true that he has expressed doubts as to the eventual success of 16 to 1; but he has never yet said that 16 to 1 is wrong.

strous crime is upon us today; that here in this land of the free its victim is a prostrate nation, whose granaries are bursting with food, while millions of men, gaunt with hunger, go forth from homes where famine reigns, and wander up and down its streets pleading for work they cannot obtain, begging for bread they cannot earn.



YORKVILLE, S. C.: SATURDAY, JULY 3, 1897.

By a vote of 29 to 23 the senate has restored cotton bagging and ties to the free list. This is another victory for McLaurin.

Suppose a man should subscribe to a pledge to support the constitution of the state, and it should afterward develop that this man was, to his own pecuniary benefit, ignoring the constitution.

Here is what Horace Boies thinks of the gold standard: "There are no words in the English language at my common command that express my utter abhorrence of a financial policy that I believe was designed to enrich a limited few at the expense of the toiling millions of the world."

So it seems that the town council purposes to take the law and the evidence as to holding two offices and receiving compensation, etc., published in THE ENQUIRER of Wednesday, as a joke.

Sometime ago, THE ENQUIRER intimated that the charges against Gaston and Scruggs, of Beckroge trunk fame, were really trivial, and on account of this suggestion there was more or less criticism—mostly adverse.

Were the belief among the Conservatives strong that Mr. McLaurin will first, last and all the time stand firmly by Senator B. R. Tillman, he would, in our opinion, receive no considerable conservative support in the approaching primary.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

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Grist Cousins—Can furnish you with vinegar, fruit jugs and rubbers, tea of several grades, lemons and cottage hams.

Prisoners in Jail. The following prisoners, all colored, are in jail awaiting trial at the approaching term of the court of general sessions on the charges named:

Clinton Dunlap, housebreaking and larceny. John Anderson, larceny of livestock. Pick Brooks, violation of the dispensary law.

HOMING PIGEONS.

Mr. H. H. Beard, express and telegraph agent at Yorkville, released a flock of five homing pigeons at the Narrow Gate depot last Thursday morning at 5 o'clock.

The pigeons released Thursday morning were sent here by C. McClain, of Trenton, N. J., and those to be released this morning belong to another party in the same city.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Judge Witherspoon returned home last Wednesday.

Miss Evelyn Parish has returned from a two week's visit to Newport.

J. Robt. Craig, of Gastonia, is visiting friends in Yorkville.

Mr. R. Lee Kerr, cashier of the Savings bank, of Rock Hill, was in Yorkville on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Bratton have returned to Yorkville for the summer and are occupying one of the residences in the Baptist High school building.

Cadet B. M. Dobson arrived from the Citadel Thursday night. He has been standing high in his classes, and in recognition of his military qualification he has been appointed a sergeant.

Mr. W. R. Carroll left last Thursday for Chewsville, Md., to spend a few weeks with the family of his father-in-law, Mr. B. A. Betts.

Mrs. J. W. Humbert and Mrs. T. S. Jefferys are attending the meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the South Carolina conference at Anderson.

Master Bolton and Miss Luella Smith, of Knoxville, Tenn., arrived in Yorkville on Thursday, having been called to the bedside of their grandmother, Mrs. Nancy J. Smith, who recently received a stroke of paralysis.

YORKVILLE GRADED SCHOOLS.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Yorkville Graded schools, held in the office of W. W. Lewis, chairman, on Thursday morning, Mr. W. E. Dendy, of Greer's, S. C., was elected superintendent, and Mr. James B. Kennedy, of Yorkville, was elected assistant superintendent.

Mr. Dendy is a native of Walhalla, S. C. He was educated at the North Georgia Agricultural college at Dahlonega, and, after graduation, studied law. Then he became a schoolteacher, and for three years past has held a position in the high school at Greer's. He is only 28 years of age, unmarried and comes highly recommended.

Mr. Kennedy is also a young man. He was graduated from Erskine college, Due West, in 1892, and has studied law; but for the most part has been engaged in school teaching. He is a man of exemplary character, high intellectual attainments, and his choice will, no doubt, give general satisfaction.

The matter of selecting a music teacher was postponed until the 12th instant. There is to be no salary connected with this position. The graded school authorities will merely furnish a room in the school building, and allow the teacher all that may be received from tuition.

THESE GET GRADES.

The names of the applicants to teach in the public schools of the county, who successfully passed the recent examination, together with their postoffices and the class of certificate awarded to each, are as follows:

FIRST GRADE—Miss Ollie Elder, Guthrieville; Miss May Crosby, Sharon; Miss Ella Dobson, Yorkville; Miss Bessie Paris, Belmont; Miss Luta Fewell, Old Point; Mr. C. E. Dobson, Yorkville; Mr. J. J. Brown, Carp; Miss Annie Thomason, Yorkville; Mr. J. C. Brown, Carp.

M. Barber, Blackstock. CLASS B.—Oma Crawford, Smith's Turnout; Eliza Hall, Rock Hill; Ada L. Cureton, Rock Hill; Jessie Dodd, Rock Hill; Edith L. Thompson, Yorkville; Missouri Crockett, Rock Hill; Sallie M. Cavley, Rock Hill; Elizabeth Mason, Rock Hill; Annie White, Fort Mill; Maggie E. Crawford, Smith's Turnout; Annie L. Burt, Yorkville; Henrietta Crawford, Smith's Turnout; J. C. Hood, Rodley; Emma Simpson, Newport; T. L. Loutley, Fort Mill; J. E. Lindsay, Fort Mill; J. W. Erwin, Guthrieville; Newton M. Wilson, Warren, L. A. Giles, Lowrys ville; J. F. Orr, Lowrys ville; R. E. Jones, McConellsville; John M. Miller, Sharon; A. B. Jenkins, Warren.

One of the papers, No. 54, containing no name, is entitled to a second grade, "Class B" certificate.

THE BICYCLE CLUB.

The Yorkville Bicycle club met on the Garrison green last Tuesday afternoon, the president—Mr. G. H. O'Leary—in the chair, and Mr. W. M. Propst, secretary, keeping the record. About 30 members were present.

Upon the suggestion of the committee appointed to look into the matter, yellow and black were adopted as the colors of the club.

The committee on by-laws submitted a carefully prepared report, which, upon discussion, was adopted. It is provided that the club be under the government of an executive committee consisting of nine members, and including the president, two vice presidents and secretary and treasurer. The annual dues were fixed at 50 cents each for grown people, and 25 cents for boys and girls under 14 years of age.

Dr. Kuykendal, as chairman, submitted the report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to go before the council in behalf of the proposed bicycle ordinance.

The doctor was somewhat humorous in his remarks, saying that the experience of the committee was rather stormy in the first portion of its interview; but during a calm that followed the storm, the council was duly impressed with the reasonableness of the request preferred, and kindly ordained it to be the law of the town.

President O'Leary made a suggestion to the effect that the club direct its energies toward the securing of better roads outside of the town, and signified his willingness to make a contribution for the purpose.

It was decided that meetings of the club be held every Friday afternoon from the first of May to the first of September, and that from the first of September to the first of May, it would go into winter quarters.

ANOTHER MEETING.

The town council held another meeting last Tuesday night. It was not the regular time for meeting, nor had the reporter been invited; but he was there. According to adjournment, as already stated, the next meeting was to have been held on the 2d instant.

The reporter happened along by the courthouse, saw a light in the council chamber, and strolled through the corridor. It was early in the evening. Intendant Lowry and Warden McElwee were in the chamber. Upon noting this the reporter concluded that there was to be a meeting later on. He did not say anything, but continued his stroll.

Warden Moore, of the committee on licenses, made a verbal report. He said that he had written to Columbia for a copy of the license schedule in vogue in that city and had procured the same. He suggested, however, that it would probably not be worth while to consider the question at this time; but it would be better to just hang the information on file for future reference.

No action was taken upon the report; but, instead, the council drifted into an informal discussion of the subject of street improvement. It was suggested that with what money there was on hand, and the street tax which would come in from the 1st to the 15th of July, and the borrowing of \$500 in anticipation of the tax levy, as much as \$1,000 could be raised for street improvement, and although no "final result" developed, it seemed to be the consensus of opinion that the best thing to be done with this money, under the circumstances, would be to invest it in crushed rock, to be applied to the streets as far as possible now, and the balance kept upon hand for future use.

The question whether it was best to try to gather up the necessary rock about or blast it from some of the numerous granite boulders nearby, was canvassed, and as the result, it was decided that the council would, in a body, take a trip along the western outskirts of the town next Monday morning for the purpose of ascertaining the points at which the most desirable stone could be had at the least cost.

Warden McElwee described a peculiar kind of top soil which, he claimed, would be as good as macadam for use on the streets. He had made a pathway across the street opposite his house with it some seven years ago. It never got muddy or turned to dust and would last indefinitely.

He had known portions of the streets to be fixed up with it and it was the best street in town. The soil, he said, was to be had on at least three different tracts of land, and he suggested that if an acre or such a matter could be bought at a reasonable figure, it would be a good investment. It could not only be used on the streets; but it might be well to let the people of the town have as much as they wanted of it free of charge for use on their side-

walks. The suggestion was taken under advisement, and Warden Moore was appointed a committee of one to see what the desired land could be bought for.

After remaining in session something over an hour, the council adjourned. The proceedings were quiet and orderly and dignified and to all outward appearances the members were in a good humor. As to when the next meeting will be held, the reporter has no information.

LOCAL LACONICS.

The Enquirer Until 1st of January, 1898. THE SEMI-WEEKLY ENQUIRER will be sent to any address, from this date until the 1st of January, 1898, for \$1.00.

Alliance Meeting on July 9. W. N. Elder, president, requests THE ENQUIRER to announce that the third quarterly meeting of the York County Alliance will be held in Yorkville on the second Friday in July, 9th instant.

A Fine Specimen. Dr. J. B. Allison left at THE ENQUIRER office on Thursday morning a cotton stalk, about 2 1/2 feet high and containing 22 squares, ranging in size from buds to full blooms. It is the finest specimen that we have seen this season.

Approaching Marriage. Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Jeannette Davidson, of Yorkville, to Mr. W. H. Herndon. The ceremony is to take place at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. S. L. Davidson, on the morning of the 14th instant, at 7 o'clock.

25 or 30 Days. The case of Rev. John H. Turner, colored, charged with carrying concealed weapons, was tried before Magistrate Sandifer and a jury yesterday. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and Magistrate Sandifer imposed a sentence of 25 fine or 30 days on the chaingang. J. R. Hart, Esq., attorney for Turner, promptly gave notice of an appeal to the court of general sessions.

The County Commissioners. Next Monday, July 5, is the day for the regular quarterly meeting of the county board of commissioners. Some of the papers have said Tuesday; but they have it mixed. When the board appoints a meeting it usually selects a Tuesday; but the regular meetings prescribed by law are required to be held on Mondays.

Experience Was Different. Mr. J. F. Wallace was among the visitors to the Nashville exposition; but his experience was different from that related in THE ENQUIRER of Wednesday. He got a first-class boarding house at reasonable rates, and did not have to pay more than 50 or 60 cents each for the best of meals and a like sum for a bed. He was aware that many of the York veterans had been deceived and gouged; but at the same time he saw in Nashville a great deal that was deserving of being put down as genuine, wholesome hospitality. He enjoyed the trip very much.

Sustains the Congregation. Bishop Clinton, colored, of the African Zion Methodist Episcopal church, was in Yorkville on Tuesday in connection with the Turner vs. the congregation row. The reporter is informed that the bishop declared that Turner had resigned, the resignation had been accepted in due form, and that so far as he was concerned that he took of the church government quoted by Rev. Turner did not apply to the case at all, as the provision was only for the removal of preachers and had nothing to do with resignations, which might be tendered at anytime. The understanding is that Turner has given up the fight except that he may try to get his back salary.

Gets There With Honey. Rock Hill Herald: Mr. H. M. Simpson, of Catawba Junction, is a very successful "all-around" farmer; but his bee farm is proportionately the best investment he has yet made. His apiary contains about 100 hives at his home at Catawba, and another of 50 hives at his place on Fishing creek. Last year he obtained 3,000 pounds of delicious honey, which finds a ready sale at 12 cents per pound. Mr. Simpson has a patent machine for separating the honey from the comb, extracting every drop of the syrup and leaving the comb intact, not a cell being broken. When replaced in the hive the bees commence to refill them immediately.

Was For Last Year. The \$25 salary recently voted by the town council for Mr. T. W. Clawson as health officer, was for alleged services last year, while that gentleman was also a member of the board of health. From a member of the former council, the reporter learns that the question was brought up before the former council went out of office; but was killed on a tie vote, the vote of the intendand to pay the amount, making the tie. In the present council the proposition is said to have been to pay Health Officer Clawson \$40. Warden Parish and Pegram were both opposed to the proposition on the ground that the services were not worth that sum. Finally, however, Warden Parish suggested that the amount should not be more than \$25. Warden Pegram did not vote for this sum. As to whether or not Warden Parish voted for it, our informant is unable to say. It is a fact, however, that the council agreed to pay the sum of \$25, and it is presumed that the amount has been paid.

CHAT FROM CHEROKEE.

The Proposed Cowpens Monument—Annual Picnic of the Antioch Band—Flat at Howell's—Other Notes. Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

ETNA JANE, June 30.—Those who have taken an interest in it are very sanguine that the Cowpens battle ground park is yet to be a reality. It should be so. Not only for the sake of Cherokee county, but for all the other counties of the state as well, for all did their part in common with North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee in making it one of the most renowned battlefields of the Revolution; and consequently our state and national pride should actuate us to have it preserved that future generations may venerate the gallant deeds done there which culminated in the independence of America. York, Union and Spartanburg counties ought especially to feel an interest and pride in this matter, as they are the maternal ancestors of the new county of Cherokee, within whose limits this sacred spot lies.

I regret that I am unable to attend the annual picnic of the Antioch band, on the King's Mountain battleground, on the 3rd

of July, to which I have been so kindly invited. The occasion, I am sure, will be a very pleasant one, and we hope those who do attend will have all the pleasure it has in store for them.

The grass is pushing our farmers so now that they must necessarily forget many pleasures which otherwise they might enjoy.

King's Mountain and Cowpens stand side by side in the galaxy of Revolutionary battlefields. They will ever be remembered as the cradles of liberties, and I am proud to know that our people appreciate them as such and show their loyalty by repairing there annually to celebrate Independence day.

News reached here yesterday morning that Robt. W. Harris, postmaster at Union, had suicided by taking an overdose of morphine. I know no reason for his rash act.

The public is greatly disappointed now that the flat at Howell's ferry is sunk, and travel is partially suspended over that route. We hope soon to see it replaced by a new and safe one. For several weeks it has been dangerous, but fortunately no accident has occurred.

We have intensely hot weather at present, and many farmers have their entire crops to work over before they can lay them by. Our corn is beginning to tassel out. On good land, where it has been well and regularly worked, it is good.

Heavy rains poured down last Sabbath night and the creeks and river were up some yesterday.

Rev. W. R. Owings will preach at Salem next Sabbath, July 4. Children's Day will be observed at Salem, July 29. Extensive preparations are being made for a grand time, to which we extend an invitation to THE ENQUIRER to attend.

CAN DO ANYTHING.

The Town Council Recognizes No Limitations.—Could Put a Bell and Lantern on the Writer of the Communication if It Wanted To.

Editor of The Enquirer: Please give me your opinion as to whether or not that portion of Section 7 of the bicycle ordinance published in THE ENQUIRER of Wednesday, is discrimination. It reads as follows: "Each bicycle, when ridden at night, in addition to such bell, must be furnished with a lantern, such lantern to be lighted." It strikes me that if the town council has authority to require a bicycle rider to have a lighted lantern on his wheel while riding "in the street between the sidewalks," it also has authority to impose similar conditions on buggies, wagons, carriages, wheelbarrows, carts, etc., and should do so.

LETTER FROM HOODTOWN.

Lightning Kills Livestock—Caught a Monster Carp—Personal and Other Notes. Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

Hoodtown, July 1.—During a thunder shower Tuesday afternoon, lightning struck a gum tree in Mrs. E. A. Latham's pasture, a short distance from the house, and a milk cow standing near was killed. Also five chickens. The inmates of the house were shocked somewhat. The lightning rod on the house occupied by Mr. Walter I. Duncan, on the same plantation, was struck, and the little Negro nurse was thrown down on the floor by the shock, though otherwise uninjured.

The farmers are getting along fairly well with their work. Most of the early corn has been laid by, and some will be ready to quit the cotton, too, in a short time. Cotton blooms have been reported quite a number. I have not been able to learn who had the first in the neighborhood.

Wilson McConnell and Will Dowdle, two Negro boys living on Mr. Waddy Thompson's "Beauty Spot" plantation, on Broad river, happened on good luck on Tuesday. While playing about in a shallow pond, they saw a very large fish. They secured some sticks and killed it, and it proved to be a carp, which measured 3 feet in length and weighed 13 1/2 pounds. Afterwards another was caught weighing 14 pounds, though not so long, besides a number of smaller fish of other kinds. They had been in the pond since early in the spring, when the river was so high.

As the fruits of Rev. Waddell's sermon a few weeks ago, a variety of vegetables, etc., were shipped yesterday from this neighborhood to the orphanage, including chickens, corn, etc.

Dr. H. D. Shackle, wife and babe, of Mill Spring, N. C., visited Dr. W. A. Hood's family last week.

Yesterday was undoubtedly the hottest day of the season. The outlook now indicates a hot summer, in spite of a backward spring. Malaria has already made its appearance in this section.

BLACKSBURG BUDGET.

The Weather—District Conference—Picnic Today—Other Notes. Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

BLACKSBURG, July 2.—This month is ushered in at a pretty high rate of temperature, which, with the recent rains we have had, is of great benefit to the crops. It is what the farmers call "growing weather," and what they are always pleased to see. Corn and cotton have taken on a vigorous growth, are generally well worked, and the prospects for good crops are very encouraging. The threshers are on their yearly rounds, and so far as I have heard, the yield of small grain is very good.

The District Conference of the M. E. Church South, will be held at this place next week, beginning on Thursday morning, the 8th inst. About 25 lay and clerical delegates are expected. Bishop Duncan, of Spartanburg, will preside over the meeting.

A delightful house and lawn party was given at the grounds and residence of Mr. Otis Osborne, on Tuesday evening, for the benefit of the Methodist church at this place. The whole place was brilliantly lighted, ice cream and cake were served, there was music and singing, the evening was pleasantly and profitably spent, and quite a liberal sum was realized for the church.

There will be a picnic at King's Mountain Battle Ground tomorrow, in honor of the Fourth and the heroes who fought and won that decisive battle. Speeches will be made by Dr. B. F. Dixon, of King's Mountain, Hon. D. E. Finley, of Yorkville, and perhaps others.

Mrs. J. R. Smith, who lost her dwelling