

Humorous Department.

Some Bird.

At the recent maneuvers of the battalions in southern waters, a visitor on board one of the ships was talking to an old salt, and the old salt warmed up enough to show the visitor some of his treasures and curios collected in all parts of the world.

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GOOD SNAKE EATS BAD.

Cannibal Serpent is now Being Bred to Benefit Humanity.

I have just witnessed a fight between a good snake and a bad snake; a fight terrible and grotesque in the extreme, yet destined to be of great benefit to humanity.

My colleague and I were driven in a swift automobile to the Serpenteria Institute of Butantan, which lies amid exuberant tropical vegetation, the beauty of which is only marred by the thought of the deadly snakes and insects it conceals.

The Institute is conducted by Dr. Vital Brazil, one of the most distinguished scientists of Brazil. He has prepared a serum of great efficacy for snake bite. More than 1,000 persons lose their lives annually from this cause in the most civilized parts of the country.

We enter a great hall in which are glass jars containing snakes in alcohol, snakes of all sizes, of all colors, some intact, others dissected, to show their different organs.

But we have come to see the cannibal serpent, and we beg Dr. Brazil to show him to us without delay. The doctor extracts him from a box by means of a long curved stick, and places him on the ground near us.

He is a large non-venomous viper, about four feet long, thick and muscular, of a bluish color, glittering like bright steel. He crawls around and raises his flat head, darting forth his long tongue in a way that seems to us threatening, despite his good reputation.

To reassure us, Dr. Brazil picks up the snake and winds him round his arm. He tells us his scientific name, "Rachidielus Brazili." The natives call him "mussurana." Until recently everybody was ignorant of his valuable qualities as a serpent eater.

When will farmers brace up to the consideration of preserving the fertility of their soil? No matter what crop is grown, there is a constant evidence of a decline of productive power in the land.

This is simply the old story of selling out the farm by the bushel or the ton. Farmers must take into consideration the ever governing fact that every crop, no matter what, exhausts the soil of some of its elements of fertility.

Let that be considered a fixed charge to be met every year. The final effect will be that in a few years the farmer will have under his feet a strong resolute soil that will answer back to him in good crop in almost any season.

Now, if any of these conditions and elements are wanting they must be supplied. That is plain, common sense, else down goes the productive power of the land.

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THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THIS BANK STRIVE TO SEE THAT PATRONS ALWAYS FIND HERE A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.

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DON'T STAY AWAY BECAUSE YOUR TRANSACTION IS A SMALL ONE. IT'S THE SUM OF SMALL THINGS THAT MAKE THIS BANK GREAT.

The National Union Bank, ABSOLUTELY SAFE, Rock Hill, S. C. W. J. Roddey, Pres. Ira B. Dunlap, Cashier.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. County of York. IN THE PROBATE COURT.

By L. R. Williams, Esquire, Probate Judge of York County.

WHEREAS H. T. WILLIAMS, has applied to me for Letters of Administration, on all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Mrs. M. E. WILLIAMS, late of the county aforesaid, deceased.

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me at our next Probate Court for the said county, to be holden at York Court House, on the 27th DAY OF MAY, 1911, to show cause, if any, why the said Administration should not be granted to the said H. T. Williams.

L. R. WILLIAMS, Probate Judge of York County.

Does Honesty Pay? For Fruits, Vegetables and Canned Goods, don't forget Old George is the cheapest place in town.

OLD GEORGE THE BUTCHER. SEE THE Piedmont Marble and Granite Company.

IRON FENCING. We handle STUART'S IRON FENCING for cemeteries and front yards, and can also furnish you a nice vase or settee for your lawn or an Ornamental Hitching Post or Tree Guard.

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MONUMENTS. In Granite and Marble. Plain and Finely Carved TOMBS, STONES sold at reasonable prices.

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YORKVILLE MONUMENT WORKS. On the Following Schedules: On and off at Yorkville.

J. C. WILBORN—REAL ESTATE.

WANT YOUR PROPERTY WITH ME IF YOU WANT TO SELL—FOR SALE—Two lots of the Herndon property on West Madison St., joining Herndon lots 130 and 131. Price \$22 per acre.

125 Acres—Two miles of Bethany; joining W. B. Stroup and others; 30 acres in cultivation, 95 acres in timber. Price \$25.00.

119-1-2 Acres—A 4-room house, 11 miles of Bethany High school at \$300 per acre.

203 Acres—Three miles of Clover, near St. Paul's church, a 2-story, 9-room house; 100 acres in cultivation; 100 acres in timber. A very fine farm. Price \$12.50 per acre.

419 Acres—Three miles Hickory Grove; the J. Yano Whitesides place; good strong land; large dwelling, etc. Price \$12.50 per acre.

For sale the Rose Hotel; large brick building, half block from public square, almost opposite the court house. To build this hotel would cost much money. It is now on the market. We desire to sell for division among the legatees.

325 Acres—Wylie Hafner home place, a nine-room dwelling, four ten-room houses, 3-room each. Will also include in 3 good barns. Price \$10.00. Easily rent for ten bales of cotton; 6 miles of Sharon.

111 Acres—On King's Mountain public highway, good soil road; 3 miles from Yorkville; land level; nice 6-room dwelling, 2 stories; 1 mile from Bethany High school; a nice 4-room ten-room house; good barn. Price \$10.00. In a high state of cultivation. Price \$50 per acre. Price and location cannot be beat in York county. Property of J. A. Ratterre.

One Roller Mill, Gins and Corn Mill, 2 Engines and boilers, 5 acres of land on Clark's Fork 3 1/2 miles of King's Creek station. Price \$3,500.

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