

USED HIDDEN MONEY.

Fortune, Unexpectedly Unearthed, Brings in a Train of Series of Great Misfortunes.

St. Louis Republic.

Out in San Francisco they tell a tale of the "Hoodooed Money." It sounds like a fairy tale, but it is every word true. That is, a number of reliable old residents will tell you how a pot of hidden gold wrought havoc upon the families who touched it.

The hoodoo begins with the death of one James Eckfeld, who was, during his lifetime, employed by the government mint, and ends—so far as is known—with the tragic determination of the life of Joseph Bayles, a laborer, who burned to death in his own home, whether by the result of action or design is unknown.

Twelve years ago James Eckfeld worked in the mint and was trusted above other employees. He lived in a little house in Oakland, and his family appeared to have the barest necessities of life. Eckfeld died suddenly, and in the possession of a secret which he was given no time to impart, if it ever was his desire to do so. The family moved out of the house, and a house-wrecker and his assistants came to tear down the old building to make room for a new.

Among the workmen was Joseph Bayles. His part of the contract was to do some excavating in the cellar. One day he was busy turning over the earth with his pick when it struck against something hard. Stooping down to investigate he found that he had unearthed a miser's pot or shining, yellow gold. Gold, gold by the pound! Three hundred thousand dollars worth of the precious metal! A sight to make a man fairly dance with delight.

It was all in little squares, and each square bore a stamp of the United States government. Joseph Bayles did not stop to ponder how it got there. His chief thought was not of the rightful owner, but of himself as the lucky finder. He was not especially impressed with the fact that it was a matter to report to Uncle Sam. Eckfeld had told no one of this fifth of a million that lay hidden in this house while his family wanted for much that money could buy. The authorities had never made any investigation of the missing wealth, and so the secret of the hidden gold was still untold. But Bayles could not keep the knowledge of this discovery entirely to himself, for he needed assistance in getting his great wealth away from its hiding place. So he confided in his two sons, two or three stalwart men of the Florida family, Jink Drizzle and a Jack Williams, who worked with him in the tearing down of the house.

None of these men earned more than \$1.25 a day. To them the money appeared a Godsend, and something to be accepted in that light, though each knew that its discovery was not to be told.

There was, naturally, much disagreement about the division of the spoil. Men have fought and died more times than one over the fascination of the yellow metal. In this case there was no bloodshed, and the matter was finally agreeably settled. In the dark of the night wagons might have been seen stealthily going to the place where the little cottage had stood and as quietly going away, laden with hundreds of little blocks of gold. But no one saw these wagons, else the story of the hoodooed money might have been told differently.

After while the Bayles and Flora families began to "put on style," as their neighbors said. It was all modest enough, but far too good for the families of laborers, and the mystery of it all was that none of the men folk worked any longer.

Joseph Bayles, with the neat little sum of \$87,000, thought it time to put by his pick and shovel and engage in something more beneficial to a man of means. He went to Calaveras County and bought a big ranch. For a time all was prosperous and fair to look upon, but drought ruined the crops in a little while and disease killed the cattle. The mines also, in which Bayles had invested thousands, did not pan out, and his fortune went slipping, slipping through his fingers. Two weeks ago his charred remains were found in the ruins of the burned house. This has revived the story of the hoodoo, which is believed to have played a part in the unfortunate end of the lonely man.

Bert Flora was a man who worked when the spirit moved him, and this was not often. His share of the gold bricks amounted to \$32,000. They were bulky to handle and he offered them to a neighboring groceryman. The storekeeper said he would give him \$20,000 for the whole lot, and this he accepted, congratulating himself that he was rid of the blocks of gold that might bring him trouble, while the groceryman chuckled to

think that he had made \$12,000 in a few minutes. Flora continued to live in his little house, but proceeded to furnish it with splendor. He told the men whom he hired to improve his place that he had "money to burn," and he paid the highest wages and employed some of San Francisco's best workmen. The other Flora brothers invested their share of the golden discovery in a huge engine, and proceeded to furnish, from an immense well that they drove, North Oakland with free water. One day the big engine got out of order, flooded the whole country with water, oared in the sides of the well, and toppled into the ruins. Thus was literally washed away much of the Flora wealth. While Bert Flora's house was being frescoed for the third or fourth time, he suddenly discovered that all his money was gone, so he again turned laborer with his brothers, with pick and shovel earning \$1.25 a day.

George Bayles received as his share of the money \$20,000. With this he purchased a lot of fine Oriental china and went into the business of handling fine wares. An earthquake came and broke up the stock in trade. Another Bayles brother put his money in mines, which failed in a very short time.

Jack Williams was cheated out of his \$10,000. Jim Drizzle bought a schooner and went to sea. He sailed away through the Golden Gate one morning and never came back. One day his body was washed ashore. What became of the hoodooed ship is one of the secrets that Davy Jones still holds.

The man who stole the money never enjoyed a penny of it and lived and died in the fear that his theft would be discovered. Even on his deathbed he feared to tell his family.

The quarter of a million of government gold is still about the world somewhere. Perhaps the hoodoo has long ago been removed by the good it may have done.

The Wooing of Wu.

How the Chinese minister at Washington, Wu Ting Fang, secured, when a young man and about to be married, the usual privilege of seeing, before the wedding day, the girl who was to be his wife, was told by him to several friends a few days ago, says the Saturday Evening Post.

"In China our young men do not select wives for themselves, but leave it to their parents," he said. "We know that our parents want us to be happy and we are willing to let them judge who will make a good wife. The young man is never permitted to see, before the ceremony, the one whom he is to marry."

"We have few unhappy marriages in China, and perhaps that is because we do not spend all the affection before marriage, as it seems to me the young people of America sometimes do."

"I was very anxious to see the girl my parents had chosen for me, but they told me it would be impossible to have an interview or even a formal meeting, and that I could not even see her. But after I had begged very hard they finally consented to let me have one look at her, and the permission overjoyed me."

"So, one day, I sat by a window, behind a blind which entirely hid me. After waiting a long time, three young women came down the street, and I was told that one of them was to be my future wife."

"But which one? Which one is she?" I demanded eagerly, and when I was told it was the one on the outside I looked at her harder and with greater delight than I ever looked at anything else either before or since."

The minister was silent for a few moments, and his mind was evidently busy with the pleasant past. Then he said with a half-chuckle:

"What I was curious to know, but couldn't find out, was whether the future Mrs. Wu knew I was looking at her. Oh, it was entirely contrary to Chinese etiquette—entirely—but I shall never forget how happy I felt as my bride-to-be came so prettily up the street."

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Local News.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10, 1900.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Weekly by Brown, Osborne & Co.

Strict Good Middling—101.
Good Middling—10.
Middling—94.
Stained Cotton—0 to 64.

The demand for dwelling houses in this city is increasing.

The public schools of Varennes Township will open next Monday, 15th inst.

Misses Emma and Maud Wilson have gone to Clarendon County to engage in teaching school.

Court convenes next Monday. Witnesses and jurors should be on hand promptly at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. J. W. Burris, one of Lowndesville's energetic farmers, spent Monday in the city and gave us a call.

This has been the longest Summer ever experienced in this section. October is giving us some Summer weather.

Mr. Luther Hays is now with C. Frank Bolt, the cash grocer, where he will be pleased to see his friends.

Mr. E. H. Barton, of Easley, has been pending a few days in the city visiting the family of his son, Mr. J. E. Barton.

Mr. Jas. F. Shumate is again selling woods for B. O. Evans & Co., and is pleased to serve his friends at any time.

Mr. George A. Wagner, of Charleston, is spending a few days in Anderson, where he is always a welcome visitor.

Mr. R. B. Cheshire spent last week in Hartwell, Ga., where he represented Julius H. Well & Co.'s clothing department.

General Passenger Agent Craig and up attendant Anderson, of the C. & F. C. R. K., spent last Monday night in the city.

The new advertisement of C. Frank Bolt, the cash grocer, will appear next week. His cut prices in groceries still continue.

Messrs. G. F. Tolly & Son have just received a handsome new, rubbered hearse, to use in their undertaking apartment.

Attention is directed to the new advertisement of W. F. Marshall & Co., who announce many bargains in store or public.

The new advertisement of Moore, Coker & Co. will prove especially interesting to the fair sex, who should fail to read it.

Mr. J. H. McConnell has given us samples of his second crop of Irish potatoes, which he is now harvesting and which are very fine.

Mr. Warren W. Gayton, who holds a position with the W. & A. R. K. in Blaine, is visiting his parents in opewell Township.

Mr. J. Baker Gentry will open the three-and-twenty school on Monday, 16th inst., and he wants all the pupils to be on hand that day.

Mr. J. H. Huckabee, one of Lowndesville's most popular citizens, spent a week in the city, and was a well-favored man. He said he was also implicated with Alex. Floyd, who was hanged a couple of weeks ago for an attempted assault upon Miss Kate Pearson, in the attempt at that time. He said he and Floyd had planned for other crimes of like character, but that Floyd's being hanged, put a stop to them.

It is well to know that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will heal a burn and stop the pain at once. It will cure all skin diseases, wounds and sores, and is a certain cure for piles. Counterfeits may be offered you. Get the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Evans' Pharmacy.

—Someone has said: "Let us disagree, but let us not be disagreeable." The trouble is when most of us disagree with others we make ourselves very disagreeable.

Do not get scared if your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and gives the worn-out stomach perfect rest. That is why it cures the worst cases of indigestion and stomach trouble after everything else has failed. Evans' Pharmacy.

—The great cornfields of the corn belt were all out of the way of the frost by Sept. 1 this year, a thing which has not happened for many years.

Dr. W. H. Lewis, Lawrenceville Va., writes, "I am using Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my practice among severe cases of indigestion and find it an admirable remedy." Many hundreds of physicians depend upon the use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in stomach troubles. It digests what you eat, and gives instant relief and a permanent cure. Evans' Pharmacy.

—The intense heat in England has caused prostration and death, not only among men and animals; but also among birds.

The key to health is in the kidneys and liver. Keep these organs active and you have health, strength and cheerful spirits. Prickly Ash Bitters is a stimulant for the kidneys, regulates the liver, stomach and bowels. A golden household remedy. Evans' Pharmacy.

—"Does your pastor permit himself to make jokes in the pulpit?" said one lady to another. "Oh, yes!" was the answer, in an apologetic tone; "but they are never very good ones."

Messrs. J. Claude Wallace, Robert A. Jones and Walter L. Casey, of Seviest, will leave about the first of December for the Indian Territory, where they expect to make their future home.

Messrs. Wade H. and Alston G. Thompson, of Varennes, left a few days ago for College, the former to Davidson to take a post-graduate course, and the latter to Erskine College.

Rev. W. L. Pressley, D. D., President of the A. R. P. Theological Seminary, Due West, spent last Sunday in Anderson and preached both morning and evening to the Central Presbyterian congregation.

Gen. M. L. Bonham, of this city, Commandant of the South Carolina Division of the Sons of Veterans, has been invited to attend a reunion of the Veterans at Lexington, S. C., and deliver an address.

Will Thompson, a negro convict who escaped from the County chain gang a few months ago, was captured at Jefferson, Ga., recently. Supervisor Vandiver went over there last week and brought the prisoner back with him.

J. B. Sanders, Esq., died at his home at Oakway, in Oconee County, last Wednesday night, after a brief illness. The deceased was one of Oconee's best citizens, and has many friends in this County who will regret to hear of his death.

The Anderson Library Association met last Friday afternoon and elected Miss Maggie Evans librarian at a salary of \$10 a month. In the future the library will be open three days in each week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Spartanburg is to have a grand Carnival October 22-27. One of the most attractive features of the week will be the floral parade. Miss Felicia Murray, of this city, has been chosen as a maid of honor to the queen of the floral parade and ball.

Last Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock a Baptist Church was organized at the Orr Cotton Mills by Rev. J. D. Chapman and Rev. Wm. Brown. The latter gentleman will be the pastor. The congregation will hold services in the school building until a Church is erected.

The aurora borealis may be seen here during the month. It would be well for all to turn their eyes northward these clear nights and watch for its appearance. The "Merry Dancers" now and then appear and when in their gayest and most sprightly mood they make a rare sight.

The past week has been another lively week in this city. The cotton receipts averaged more than 150 bales a day, the price ranging from 10 to 10 1/2 cents. The merchants are having a fine trade, and the farmers are more than pleased in getting 10 cents for their cotton.

The Athens (Ga.) Banner of the 6th inst. speaks as follows of an Anderson boy: "Mr. J. Ben Dodd, of Atlanta, is now the efficient assistant to Mr. Wyatt at the Commercial Hotel. Mr. Dodd is a clever and accomplished young gentleman, and is given a warm welcome to Athens."

Just as we go to press, a telephone message from Dean & Ratcliffe informs us that they are too busy to change their advertisement this week, but ask us to say to all parties who owe them by cash, note or account, a special note. Have just received Two Cars of hogs, and it comes much cheaper than any other feed and is much better.

Yours respectfully,
O. D. ANDERSON & BRO.

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- A Wheat Drill.
- Two Tons Standard Ammoniated Fertilizer.

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We have engaged the services of Mr. J. E. BRADLEY, an experienced Pharmacist, and we are now prepared to serve you at all hours—either day or night. Mr. Bradley will room over our Store, so if you want a Prescription filled at night just press the button in front of our Store and we'll do the rest. Remember, only—

THE BEST AND PUREST DRUGS Are allowed in our Store.
E. G. EVANS & CO.,
PENDLETON, S. C.

CHLORO-NAPHTHOLEUM!

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Trustee's Sale Real Estate.

BY virtue of the power conferred on me by a deed of Trust executed by Margaret Jane Erskine, Eugenia Lafay, and others, which deed is recorded in Clerk's office for Anderson County, in Book TTT, pages 705 to 710, I will sell at Anderson Court House, S. C., on Sale-day in November next, between the usual hours of public sales, the following described lands:

A certain Tract, containing one hundred and fourteen and one-half (114 1/2) acres, more or less, situate in Anderson County, S. C., on the north side of the Southern Railway, adjoining lands of Samuel Smith, Hugh C. Erskine, James W. Erskine, W. J. Robbins and others.

This Land is situated about five miles east of Anderson, has about 50 acres in original forest, about 40 acres in cultivation, of which about 15 acres is in good bottom land, the balance is old field and pasture land. It is well watered and contains a good building site.

Terms—Cash. Purchaser to pay extra \$ for all necessary stamps and papers.

H. H. WATKINS, Trustee.
Oct 3, 1900 15 5

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BROS. & MAJOR,
ANDERSON, S. C., Oct. 1, 1900.
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Yours respectfully,
O. D. ANDERSON & BRO.

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CORN, OATS, BACON and DEAN'S PATENT FLOUR.

That we sell every day, but we failed because it was feared that any further obstruction of the public square might impede the progress of the city. We will, however, perfect our delivery system so that no one will have to wait, and the dangers of a crush will be reduced to a minimum.

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To put up your Fruit in.

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