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Gold Mines.

Interesting Information about the Haile, Brewer, Blackmon and Other Gold Mines in this Section.

Washington special in the Columbia Record: The Southern Appalachian gold bearing region, embracing parts of North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Tennessee, bids fair to rival before many years many parts of the Klondike.

At the close of the revolutionary war gold was discovered in Cabarrus county, N. C., and from that time on prospecting has been carried on with considerable vigor. Later on gold was discovered in Montgomery and Mecklenburg counties in the same state.

The first production from the area under consideration came from Lancaster and Chesterfield counties, in South Carolina, in 1829, and the output was valued at \$3,500. The best records of former diggings for gold are in the United States assay office at Charlotte, and it seems probable that the total gold production of this section has been about \$10,000,000 up to this time. The mines in this area are among the most important gold producers in the Carolina belt, and, in fact, east of the Black Hills. Such mines as the Haile, Brewer, Colossus (formerly Howie) and King's Mountain have been worked for years and have furnished a large part of the output of the area.

The Haile mine is situated on Lynch's creek, three and one half miles northwest of Kershaw, S. C., and is the property of the Haile Gold Mining company, of New York city. It has been worked since 1830, and the upper oxidized portions of the ore bodies were once rich and some of them yielded lumps of gold worth from \$300 to \$500. Up to 1883 the production of this mine was about \$1,250,000, and since that time it has been about \$2,000,000. It is impossible to estimate what amount of dividends have been declared from this mine.

The Brewer mine is situated in a branch of Lynch's river, in Chesterfield county, S. C., about four miles southwest of Jefferson, and about ten miles from the Haile mine. It is being worked by B. J. Hartman, under a lease from the DeSoto Mining company. This is believed to have been the first important producer in South Carolina and was in operation before the revolutionary war. No idea of the production can be given, but it is believed that several hundred thousand dollars have been taken from the mine.

The Blackmon mine is in Lancaster county, S. C., about 14 miles from Kershaw, and is one of the best known mines in that

section. It is the property of the Piedmont Mining and Development company of Charlotte. Until recently the mine has been idle for many years, although at one time considerable ore was taken out. Since the resumption of work all operations have been underground.

The year before the civil war began there were 40 mines in active operation in South Carolina, and about the same number in North Carolina. There were then 21 working mines in Chesterfield and Lancaster counties, and 19 in Spartanburg, Union and York.

One Negro Kills Two over Game of Cards.

Laurens special in Greenville News: As a result of a row over cards between a party of negroes, Phil Anderson was shot dead and Henderson Fuller probably fatally wounded by John Dennis this afternoon about 5 o'clock. The tragedy occurred at Mount Carmel, three miles from Graycourt, where the negroes were holding their annual stock show today. Anderson and Fuller lived at Graycourt. Dennis, who was acquitted of murder at a recent term of the court in Greenville, lives at Barksdale.

Florida Woman Assaulted and Murdered by Black Brute.

Gainesville, Fla., Oct. 27.—Mrs. Mott, a white lady was murdered at Chiefland by a negro today. The negro found Mrs. Mott at home alone, and after committing the assault killed the woman and then escaped. A mob of a hundred white men has been in pursuit of the assailant, but so far unsuccessfully. Blood hounds have been in pursuit of the assailant, but so far unsuccessfully. Blood hounds have been put on the trail and violent measures are promised if the negro is taken.

H. J. Bivins Kills a Hobo.

Raleigh special in Charlotte Observer: H. J. Bivins, of the Seaboard Air Line, this evening shot and killed a white hobo in the yards of the company. The man whose age is about 30, was trying to beat his way on a train when he was spotted by Bivins, who ordered him off. The hobo attacked Mr. Bivins, who then shot him in the thigh. The wound caused death from loss of blood.

Notice to Patrons of Camp Creek School.

The patrons and trustees of Camp Creek school are requested to meet at the school house Tuesday night, Nov. 6th, at seven o'clock, to elect a teacher. A full attendance is requested.

T. P. Williams, Ch'm.

An Awful Disaster.

Fifty or More Persons Drowned by An Electric Train Plunging into Water.

Atlantic City, N. J., October 28.—By the wrecking of a three-coach electric train on the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad this afternoon at least fifty passengers perished, and the list may reach the total of seventy-five when all is known.

While crossing over a drawbridge spanning the waterway known as "The Thoroughfare," which separates Atlantic City from the mainland, the train left the track and plunged into the water. The passengers in the first two coaches, with one or two exceptions, were drowned. Up to midnight tonight twenty-five bodies have been recovered, and it is believed that at least twenty-five and possibly fifty more bodies still are in the submerged coaches.

Tried to Run Over Rock Hill's Depot.

Rock Hill special in Charlotte Observer: Quite a little stir was caused at the Southern depot yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock, and those who happened to be close went for the tall timber. A shifting engine, pulling several box cars on the east side of the depot on the old Three C's track, ran into a car and derailed one or two of the cars on the depot side. They made a clean swipe along the platform, tearing up flooring and disfiguring the roofing and cornice. The depot looks like a good sized cyclone had struck it. No one was hurt.

Robbers got Pile of Money.

St. Peter-burg, Oct. 27.—A daring robbery was committed at about noon today in the center of this city, by which a number of highwaymen got away with \$193,000 from a wagon which was conveying cash from the customs department to the State treasury.

Marriage in Columbia of a Young Lady of Lancaster.

At 5 o'clock, Oct. 24, 1906, Mr. S. E. Powell of Columbia, S. C., and Miss Kate S. McNinch of Lancaster, S. C., were quietly married at the residence of Rev. J. P. Knox, the officiating minister. Only a few friends of the bride and groom were present. This couple will make their home in Waverly.

The foregoing is taken from the Columbia State of last Saturday. The bride is a daughter of our esteemed fellow townsman Mr. A. J. McNinch.

Negro Hanged in Aiken Friday for Criminal Assault.

Aiken special in News and Courier: At 11:25 o'clock today Isaac Knight paid the death penalty for a criminal assault upon Mrs. E. S. Chapin, July 19, last. He maintained his innocence until the last.

Wreck near Columbia Friday night.

Columbia special in Charleston Post: Passenger train No 16 on the Columbia and Greenville line on its way into Columbia, late last night, ran into a cut of sixteen freight cars, left in the siding at Fernet Station, a few miles west of the city, with the result that many passengers were badly shaken up and frightened though none was seriously injured.

Killed about Another Man's Wife.

McCormick special in the State: R. E. Wells was shot and killed at 8 o'clock this morning by Clint and Bertha Harmon, brothers, two miles from here, at his sawmill. The cause is alleged intimacy between Wells and the wife of Clint Harmon. The slayers have surrendered and engaged counsel.

Tragedy in a New York Hotel—Banker Kills Woman and Himself.

New York, Oct. 27.—Louis G. Hampton, assistant secretary of the United States Trust Co., of this city, shot and killed Victoria I. Taczew, a beautiful young woman, in the Hotel Griffon late last night and then committed suicide.

Hampton was infatuated with the woman and they had been seen together many times during the past month.

They had been at the hotel where the tragedy occurred since early yesterday.

Whether or not the tragedy was a result of a pact between the man and woman to die together has not been determined, but the circumstances seem to show that the young woman had agreed to die with her companion.

Hampton, who was about 60 years old, leaves a wife and two children.

Miss Taczew was 29 years old and lived with her father and invalid mother.

Pension for Dr. Carlisle, of Wofford College.

Wofford College special in the News and Courier: Dr. Carlisle has been given a pension of \$1,150 per annum, to come from the fund provided by Andrew Carnegie for educator's war, on account of old age, have retired from active service.

Election Day.

Forty-two States and Three Territories to Hold Elections next Tuesday.

New York, Oct. 28.—A week from Tuesday there will be election in forty-two States and three Territories. Oregon, Maine and Vermont have already elected State officers and members of the Sixtieth Congress. In twenty-three of the States a Governor and other State officers (in twenty of them also, a Legislature); in ten minor State officers or justices of the Supreme Court; in two, congressmen and a Legislature, and in seven congressmen only, are to be elected. Oklahoma is to vote on a State Constitution, and Arizona and New Mexico on joint statehood.

The terms of thirty United States Senators—fifteen Democrats and fifteen Republicans—expire March 3, 1907. Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Kentucky and Arkansas have already selected Democrats, and Georgia has a Legislature which will elect another, while Maine and Oregon have Legislatures which insure the return of Republicans. Of the twenty-two States in which it is to be chosen November 6 a Legislature that will elect United States Senators fourteen are now represented in the Senate by Republicans and eight by Democrats.

A national House of Representatives is to be elected—the Sixtieth Congress, with 386 members. The present House is composed of 250 Republicans and 136 Democrats. Maine has already elected four Republicans, Oregon two and Vermont two.

There is fusion in only one State—Nebraska—where the Democrats and Populists agreed upon a division of the State nominations, though in several other States the Republican or Democratic candidates for State offices have been one or more of the minor parties.

As usual, there is one State ticket—the Democratic—in South Carolina. Pennsylvania leads this year with the greatest number of State tickets 12.

Notice to Patrons of Tabernacle School.

The Tabernacle school will open its fall session Monday, Nov. 5th, 1906.

All parents, who expect to patronize the school at any time during this term, will please send their children to the school house Thursday, Nov. 1st, at 4 o'clock, p. m. in order to make arrangements for the exchange of text book—per the requirement of the state and county boards of education. Be sure to send all the children.

Respectfully,
A. C. Rowell,
Principal.
O. K., Oct. 29, 1906.