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ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Brothers Have a Row and one Stabs the Other. Contract Awarded.

Stanly Enterprise, January 17th.
An altercation occurred between the young sons of Hort Lowder and Mrs. L. L. Lefter on Saturday at the mill. Young Lowder used a top slat to one of the machines and severely pounded the other boy about the side and chest, and gave him a stab between the shoulders with a knife. It was thought awhile that the Lefter boy could not survive, but he seems to be getting along nicely and will recover.

Contract has been awarded L. A. Moody for the erection of the new building for the Albemarle Normal and Collegiate Institute.

Mrs. D. L. Parker and sons Hubert and Kenney returned to their home at Spencer Friday after spending several days with relatives. Mrs. Parker was in Providence hospital at Washington undergoing treatment during past six months, and her health is greatly improved.

Rev. John F. Kirk was here on a brief visit Tuesday. In the death of his mother, Mrs. W. A. Kirk, near Richfield on Sunday, Mr. Kirk has the sympathy of his many friends at this place.

County Commissioner J. A. Hahn, of Cabarrus, was here Monday importuning the Judge and Solicitor to allow his county to work prisoners sentenced to a term on the roads from this county.

The Wiscasset and Efrid mills declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent at their regular meeting Tuesday. Both mills were found in healthy conditions.

The case against the negro charged with murder of the Lysterly family which was set for trial at court here this week has, by consent been removed for trial at the next term of court in Iredell county.

Some Workings of the Exemption Law.

As an example of the workings of the exemption law for bankrupts, we give an instance noted in an exchange. A firm that went to a near-by town a short while ago and opened a mercantile business, soon made an assignment, with liabilities amounting to \$2400. The stock was adjudged to be worth \$700, and as each member of the firm is entitled, under our antiquated exemption law, to \$500, the stock was turned over to them, and the creditors got nothing. Now if we had a law compelling creditors to chip in, in such a case and make up the difference between the value of the property and the amount of exemption, it would be just as sensible, just as fair and just as favorable to business as our exemption laws are now. These laws were enacted in a time of stress, just after the war, when they were imperatively needed. They are not needed now, and are nothing more than a shield for rascals to hide behind.—Lexington Dispatch.

The Charming Woman

is not necessarily one of perfect form and features. Many a plain woman who could never serve as an artist's model, possesses those rare qualities that all the world admires; neatness, clear eyes, clean smooth skin and that sprightliness of action and step that accompany good health. A physically weak woman is never attractive, even to herself. Electric Bitters restore weak women, give strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, beautiful complexion. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c.

CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

Pastor Installed at McKinnon Presbyterian Church. Deaths Reported.

Concord Times, January 19th.
Rev. John W. Lafferty was installed as pastor of the McKinnon Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 o'clock. The installation service was conducted by Rev. G. H. Cornelison, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Rev. R. J. Hunter, made the charge to the pastor, and in the absence of Rev. J. McLain, Mr. Hunter also made the charge to the congregation.

Miss Hermina Quantz, who has had a position at the telephone office, has resigned. She went to Salisbury last Saturday, where she has accepted a position as stenographer.

Chas. Harris died at his home in No. 11 township Saturday night, aged 88 years. He had been sick several days with pneumonia.

Travis Cagle, of Forest Hill, accidentally shot himself with a pistol Saturday night, the load entering the right leg. Dr. J. O. Walker attended him.

Al. Cauble, a negro convict, who escaped from the chain gang last June, was captured Saturday night on Happy Hill, and returned to the gang.

The friends of H. L. Parks will be glad to learn of his improvement in health in Asheville, where he has been for some time.

W. C. Carpenter, formerly of Concord, has just organized a general merchandize store company at Gaffney, S. C.

Mrs. Fillmore Mabry died at her home in Cannonville Saturday, aged 28 years.

The infant of R. H. Webb, of McGill street, died Saturday night.

A. C. Coley and Miss Lola E. Linker, of Cannonville, were married last week.

Bridge as Bad as Craps.

Society women and their husbands are indignant at the charge delivered today by Judge C. W. Fite, in which he practically ordered the grand jury to indict the players of bridge, euchre and society card games for prizes. Judge Fite said: "All society gambling is gambling, and to my mind a man who gambles in a parlor is just as guilty as a negro who shoots craps. Any one who plays a game of chance for stakes, be it money or a chafing dish, is as guilty as a negro that plays craps. I want you gentlemen to investigate the question of social gambling. You have it in your power to require any one in the town or county to come before you and testify against any one else, and you can get all the evidence you need. The gambling that goes on in drawing rooms and in which society women have part, must be stopped in my judicial circuit."—Cartersville, Ga., dispatch.

Long Live the King!

is the popular cry throughout European countries; while in America, the cry of the present day is Long live Dr. King's New Discovery, King of Throat and Lung Remedies! of which Mrs. Julia Ryder Paine, Truro, Mass., says: "It never fails to give immediate relief and to quickly cure a cough or cold." Mrs. Paine's opinion is shared by a majority of the inhabitants of this country. New Discovery cures weak lungs and sore throats, after all other remedies have failed; and for coughs and colds it's the only sure cure. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

KILLED BY HIS WIFE.

Conductor Blair of Atlantic Coast Line Fatally Shot During Struggle.

A sensational tragedy occurred in one of the leading residential sections this afternoon, Conductor McCuller W. Blair, of the Coast Line, whose run is between here and Laurens, being shot to death by his wife, a handsome young woman, in their pretty home on Marion street. Four reports were heard, but only two shots took effect, one which caused death, in the abdomen, and the other a flesh wound in the left hip, both ranging downward. Mr. Blair died in half an hour. He said there had been trouble between himself and wife.

Mrs. Blair has been arrested but remains at home under guard. She appears to be nervous and in a state of collapse. Mrs. Blair says her husband came home in a drunken state and started the row, and attempted to strike her. She warned him not to strike her, holding a pistol in her hand. He came upon her and attempted to take the weapon from her and in the struggle was shot. It has been known for some time that Mr. and Mrs. Blair had not been living happily. Mrs. Blair's home is in Greensboro. Mr. Blair leaves several children by the wife who struck him down. He was a man of excellent reputation.

It is alleged that Blair accused his wife of infidelity and that the shooting followed. Mrs. Blair was placed under arrest, but owing to her prostrate condition she was not removed from her home.

Blair made an ante-mortem statement, in which it is alleged that he attacked his wife's character. She was Miss Ethel Barentine, of Greenboro, N. C. The dead about 50 years old, while his wife is 30.—Columbia, S. C., correspondence Charlotte Observer, 17th

[Capt. and Mrs. Blair lived in Salisbury for some time, but left this city several years ago. They were well known here. Mrs. Blair was a sister of the wife of Engineer West, who was killed in the Bristian bridge wreck, near Statesville, in 1891.—Ed.]

Receive Back Pay.

Spencer, Jan. 19.—The employees of the Southern Railway Company all over the system today received back pay from September 1 of last year at the rate of 2 cents per day on account of an increase of wages given the machinists effective four months ago. The sum paid aggregates many thousands of dollars and the machinists will hereafter receive \$320 per day according to an agreement reached by an arbitration board appointed following the strike of last October. It is stated that but few machinists received checks for less than \$100 for December labor.—Special to Charlotte Observer.

From the Antilles. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Benefits a City Councilman at Kingston, Jamaica.

Mr. W. O'Reilly Fagarty, who is a member of the City Council at Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies, writes as follows: "One bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy had good effect on a cough that was giving me trouble and I think I should have been more quickly relieved if I had continued the remedy. That it was beneficial and quick in relieving me there is no doubt and it is my intention to obtain another bottle." For sale by Jas. Plummer, Salisbury, and Spencer Pharmacy, Spencer, N. C.

MR. VANDERFORD FOR MAYOR.

One of Salisbury's Most Progressive and Public Spirited Citizens Announces His Candidacy.

Salisbury, N. C., Jan. 22d, 1907.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY:

In a recent interview with the Evening Post reporter, I stated that I expected to be a candidate for Mayor. I now make this formal announcement to say, that I am a Democrat, believing in the principles and usages of the party, and I enter the race, subject to the action of the Democratic primary and convention which will be called by the Executive Committee.

This city, I am proud to say, has, in the general progress of the South, attained such proportions that she is now among the best in our section, and I regard her possibilities as second to none. It is an honor to be her mayor, and, in asking the suffrage of her people, I do so, feeling that those who bestow this honor are entitled to my profound respect.

I came to Salisbury forty-six years ago, a very small boy, and have known no other home. Her interest has always been mine, and every movement now on foot, or which may be projected, for the advancement of this city, and every part of it, will receive my zealous support. I have always had at heart the best interests of this community and of every individual in it, and I promise that whether elected or not, I will continue to labor for Salisbury and her people.

My purpose has been, is, and always will be, to uphold all conditions which maintain our present prosperity and the safeguarding of our business and political interests. In the accomplishment of this purpose, I have no enemies to punish, and I seek the respect and co-operation of all.

Very respectfully,
T. H. VANDERFORD.

Governor Was Too "Fresh."

London, England, Jan. 21.—After a conference between the officials of the foreign and the colonial office the latter called Governor Sweetenham of Jamaica, asking for his version on the situation which led to the withdrawal of the American warships.

The Foreign office suggested the propriety of securing the governor's statement without delay as it was felt the incident might cause irreparable injury to the friendly relations now existing between the two governments if not promptly explained.

The officials of the Foreign office said: "It is unexplainable," adding: "We are sure none regret it more than we do."

An official of the Foreign office said the greatest appreciation was expressed everywhere when it was announced that Admiral Evans had dispatched the vessels and no criticism was heard anywhere of the landing of armed men.

"It is difficult to find justification for the Governor's letter," he said, adding: "We shall make every effort to have the affair cleared up without delay and we hope the Americans will withhold judgment until this can be done."

Lumber Deal.

Foushee and Current have purchased 4,000,000 feet of timber in Yadkin county, at a rate of \$15 per thousand feet. The timber is said to be of a very fine quality. Mr. Current is one of Rowan's County Commissioners, and has been quite successful in the lumber business.

LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

A Walking Arsenal. Preacher hurt in Runaway.

Lexington Dispatch, January 16th.

Saturday night Policeman Ford arrested one C. O. Herndon, a foreman on the double track work, who had been discharged Tuesday of last week. The charge against him was that he enticed laborers to leave Lane Brothers and Jones to go to a point in Virginia and work on another railroad. After the arrest he proved to be a walking arsenal, having four revolvers and many knives of various sizes on his person. He was placed in jail and tried. The evidence was not sufficient to convict him of enticing laborers, but the guns spoke for themselves. He explained that one gun was his, the rest and the knives being property pawned with him by negroes who owed him. The mayor placed him under a bond of \$100 to answer at court. Herndon said he had been working railroads for years, that his father lived near Grover and that his brother was a merchant at Grover, Cleveland county, N. C. He gave bond, leaving property as surety.

Dr. C. M. Clodfelter met with a very laughable experience Monday night, and it might have been serious, but it wasn't, and the laugh is on him. He had a call to the country and when a mile or so from town thought he would cut off some by leaving the main road, and was swinging along at a good gallop when he ran into a man's yard, the proximity of which was made known to him by a clothes line wire catching him under the chin and lifting him from his horse. He rested his chin on the wire an instant and then sat down on the ground with more speed than grace. Meantime the horse stopped and began grazing on the tender blades of grass which this lovely January weather has coaxed out of the ground.

Gates Spry, white, has been dodging the officers for several days. He is charged with vagrancy, in that he does nothing and lives on the earnings of his family. He put up a small cash bond, but forfeited it, and has been hiding out since then.

Rev. A. L. Bolick, pastor at Holly Grove, sustained painful injuries last week in a runaway as he was going to preach the funeral of Mrs. Henry Palmer. His horse was frightened and ran when he was about three-fourths of a mile from Beck's church. Mr. Bolick was thrown out and his shoulder dislocated, and he was painfully bruised. He was able to be in town Monday and asked us to state that he would probably be able to fill his appointments at Beck's and Lebanon next Sunday.

Negroes Endorse President's Action.

Baton Rouge, La., Jan. 18.—Speaking for the 50,000 negroes who compose its membership, the Grand Council of the National Industrial Association of America, in convention here today adopted a resolution endorsing President Roosevelt's action in dismissing the negro soldiers at Brownsville.

Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.

Having been sick for the past two years with a bad stomach trouble, a friend gave me a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They did me so much good that I bought a bottle of them and have used twelve bottles in all. Today I am well of a bad stomach trouble.—Mrs. John Lowe, Cooper, Maine. These tablets are for sale by Jas. Plummer, Salisbury, and Spencer Pharmacy, Spencer, N. C.

STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

Miss Long and Congressman Hackett to be Wedded Soon.

Statesville Landmark, January 18th.

Fire, early Wednesday morning, almost completely destroyed the large building and plant of the Statesville Flour Mills, located near the depot. The mill building proper, a four-story brick structure, and the large sheet iron grain elevator, nearly 100 feet high, adjoining the east end of the building, and which at that time contained about 20,000 bushels of wheat, were entirely destroyed. The mill warehouse, located west of the mill and just across a narrow street from it, was slightly damaged by the fire and a lot of flour stored in the house was damaged by water. The estimated loss to the mill people is \$75,000, with about \$58,000 insurance, \$12,000 or \$15,000 of this being on the warehouse.

The following invitations were issued yesterday: Judge and Mrs. Benjamin F. Long request the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of their daughter Lois and Richard Nathaniel Hackett, on Thursday evening, the thirty-first of January, one thousand nine hundred and seven, from seven until nine o'clock, "Oakhurst," Statesville, North Carolina.

The marriage, which will be private, will take place at 6:30 Thursday afternoon. The bride-elect is the eldest daughter of Judge and Mrs. Long and is an attractive, accomplished and popular young woman. Mr. Hackett, who is the Congressman-elect from this district, is known all over the State.

The Landmark has urged the people to plant trees. A lady who had some young trees, called up the office yesterday to say the trees had been broken by boys swinging on them. Sometimes trees are damaged by children who are simply thoughtless, but the punishment for the act ought to be sufficient to remember next time. In other cases trees are damaged by boys who are simply vicious and who want to destroy something. In this case the punishment should be as severe as possible—so severe that the viciousness will be curbed, if not eradicated. The people who are careless enough to hitch horses so they damage trees should also be given a dose that will stop that practice.

P. A. Poston, who sold his interest in a business here about three months ago, has decided to locate in Salisbury and he and Mrs. Poston expect to move there the first of next week. Mr. Poston has two or three Salisbury offers under consideration and will accept one of them, but has not decided which one.

N. T. Summers, who operates a saw mill in Sharpesburg township, will move his mill to the Lingle farm east of town and saw the timber on the place for the Gaitner Lumber Company.

Quality Appreciated.

We frequently hear from people who purchased Weaver Organs many years ago and were so delighted with the musical qualities as well as their durability that they are anxious for a piano of the same quality. By purchasing the Weaver Piano and no other, the same high standard of excellence will be assured and the organ will be taken in exchange if so desired. Ask for a catalogue and a proposition. WEAVER ORGAN & PIANO CO., Manufacturers, York, Pa.