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CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

Disease Among Cattle. Want to Locate Orphanage at Concord.

Concord Times, Jan. 15-21.

The Crosses of Honor that were to have been given to Confederate Veterans to-morrow have been misplaced and cannot be found, and the time for presenting them has been postponed until May 10.

On last Friday night a bold robbery was committed at the People's Drug Store, which is situated within a stone's throw of the police station. Quite a number of articles were stolen, and the cash register was broken into and robbed of about \$20. Suspicion pointed to several parties, and about 7 o'clock Saturday night a prominent young man was arrested and put in jail, charged with being one of the parties. A hearing will be had in the morning, at which time it is expected some startling evidence will be given. It seems that the thing most desired by the burglars was "booze."

A hawk caught a grown chicken at the home of J. Frank Fink, in No. 5 township, last Monday, and after eating a part of the chicken flew away. Thinking perhaps the hawk would come again, Mrs. Fink made a trap and set over the remaining part of the chicken, with the result that the hawk came back the next day to finish up the chicken and was caught in the trap. This is the third trick of this kind that Mrs. Fink has played on hawks.

W. L. Bell, an enthusiastic member of Concord Lodge No. 51, Knights of Pythians, announced to the local lodge Friday night that parties in this city had authorized him to state to the local lodge that they would donate a tract of land within a mile and a half of the centre of the city for the erection of the proposed orphan's home contemplated by the Grand lodge of Pythians. The matter will be taken up for further consideration at a meeting of the Concord Lodge to be held next Friday. Mr. Bell says the offer is without conditions, and the site is one of the best in the county, within three miles of the Jackson Training school. Concord people should not lose the opportunity of securing this institution, and an active campaign should be started at once.

Blackleg has appeared in Cabarrus and has spread among a herd of cattle on the plantation of Columbus Goodman, of No. 6 township. Several head have died and two or more of the cattle are sick. Dr. B. L. Griffin received some anti-toxine Saturday to vaccinate the remaining cattle yet affected. The disease is said to be very destructive among cattle. Many farmers throughout the county have visited Mr. Goodman's farm and taken notes of the symptoms. Every precaution will be taken to prevent a spread of the disease which is said to be very contagious.

Lewis Ballard, who was arrested last week and placed in jail charged with being one of the parties who entered and burglarized the Peoples Drug Store last Friday night, was given a hearing before the recorder Tuesday morning. No evidence was offered by the police authorities, and the young man was turned loose. Just how Mr. Ballard happened (?) to be arrested is a mystery to his friends, and much comment has been indulged in by our citizens. It seems to have been a complete fiasco—the whole business.

Yesterday afternoon a rather peculiar accident occurred at the machine shop of C. B. Dry on E. Depot street. Mr. Dry was running a saw which was defective, and suddenly, without notice or warning, the saw broke about half in two with such force that it ploughed its way through the ceiling, which was made of two-inch planks and struck Price Dry in the face, inflicting a painful, but not serious wound. Had Mr. Dry been standing two feet nearer the scene of the accident, he would have been instantly killed.

LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Gotton Mill Located. More Mad Dogs. An Unlucky Fox Chase.

Lexington Dispatch, Jan. 20th.

The police say that since the saloons absquatulated from Salisbury there hasn't been a drunk arrested here and that the change is very marked.

A fox chase Monday afternoon ended unluckily for Patrick Myers, of the livery firm of Hege & Myers. Rounding a corner his horse fell, and Mr. Myers suffered a broken leg. The fox was owned by Lewis Patterson, and a number of horsemen with dogs gathered to chase it when turned loose. Reynard didn't put up a very good run and was soon caught. Afterward the carcass was dragged through town and the folks got a chance to see the hounds in action. It was during this time that Mr. Myers met with the accident.

The Dakotah cotton mill has been located on the Humphreys place below town. Twelve and a half acres were purchased from Mr. Humphreys for \$4,950, and between six and eight acres adjoining from Dermont Shemwell, the price being \$200 an acre. Mr. Humphreys reserves his dwelling and several cottages, which will be moved to near-by lots, and these he will place on the market. The mill has purchased machinery and preparations for building in the spring are going on steadily. The site is very suitable for a mill and its village.

Ed Vaughn, of Winston, was killed in the terrible mining disaster at Lick Branch coal mines, not far from Roanoke, which reminds us that many Davidson county men, black and white, are at work in the coal mines of Virginia and West Virginia, and it is possible that some of them were in this accident. However, we have not heard of any.

There is a rumor that a near-beer saloon will be set up in Lexington. There are legal obstacles in the way, however, not only here but in all North Carolina, for if what is said is true, the federal government will demand license for the sale of any drink containing over one-half of one per cent. alcohol, and the moment a man takes out a federal license to retail, along comes North Carolina and says the holder thereof is guilty of retailing booze, wherefore selling even near-beer is a precarious occupation. Still, the stuff is being sold in Greensboro and other towns, and the makers claim there is something like two per cent. of alcohol in it.

If any lingering doubt as to the madness of the mad dog which came here the 3rd existed up to Saturday, it must have been dispelled by the fact that a dog belonging to Tom Goss on that day went mad. It was one of those bitten the 3rd, and had been penned up. As it was acting queerly, it was watched, and Saturday had a fit, and showed that it certainly had the rabies. It was killed at once. Many dogs have been killed in town and many more in the county.

A tract of land adjoining Oakwood cemetery has been purchased by the city, which will be used to enlarge the cemetery. The land will at once be improved and otherwise beautified.

A petition is being circulated among the voters of the county asking the Legislature to establish a medical depository for Concord and Cabarrus. The petition is being largely circulated, and those who are at the head of the movement express themselves as highly pleased with the substantial encouragement given.

There is no Quinine, nothing whatever harsh or sickening in Preventics. These little Candy Cold Cure Tablets act as by magic. A few hours—and your threatening Cold is broken. Candylike in taste. Preventics please the children—and they break the feverishness, always. And least of all is the ceremony. A large box—48 Preventics—25 cents. Ask your druggist. He knows! Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

A Thrifty Negro Citizen. Conditions Changing Between Salisbury and Statesville.

Statesville Landmark, Jan. 19-22.

It is understood Roland Harris, of Statesville, has leased the Mocksville Courier and will continue the publication of that paper at Mocksville.

It is learned from the Observer that Dr. W. B. Mott, who was some time ago stricken with paralysis at Mt. Mourne and is now at his home in Charlotte, is improving but has not regained the power of speech.

D. J. Arey, a thrifty colored citizen living on north Tradd street, sends The Landmark his experience in hog raising. He says that from January 1st, 1908, to January 1st, 1909, he spent \$100 for hogs and hog feed. He killed four, aggregating 1,242 in weight, which at 10 cents per pound amounted to \$124.20. He raised ten pigs, which he sold for \$5 each, making a total of \$170 from his investment of \$100. This, Dave thinks, is a hint to folks who can raise hogs but who are paying 12 1/2 cents a pound for "fatback."

Miss Janie Love, who has been at home on a visit for three months, expects to return to Mexico, where she is engaged in mission work, within the next two weeks.

W. H. Boovey, who lives a few miles south of town, and who is a trapper and farmer, caught an otter yesterday morning. The fur of an otter is valuable this season of the year, being worth \$15 to \$20. Mr. Boovey realizes a good sum every year from mink hides.

The proprietor of a Statesville bottling establishment thinks the tide has changed between Statesville and Salisbury since prohibition became effective in the latter town January 1st. Heretofore Statesville bought much bottled goods in Salisbury; now Statesville is selling bottled goods to Salisbury. The difference is in the contents of the bottles; and the fact that Salisbury is buying bottled soda, ginger ale, etc., means that the "soft" drinks are in some measure taking the place of strong drink.

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen Wednesday evening an ordinance regulating the sale of milk passed at first reading. It provides that any person selling milk in Statesville, who keeps as many as two cows, must procure a license. There will be no charge for the license but the milk dealer must show, by a proper certificate, that his cows have been examined, tested and pronounced sound by a competent person. This examination must be made at least once a year and cows added to the herd must be examined before the milk is sold. Cows condemned must be removed from the herd. A fine of \$50 and the revocation of the license is the penalty for violation.

David L. Beaver, of Salisbury, and Paul M. Caldwell, of Albemarle, were accepted for service in the coast artillery branch of the United States army; through the Statesville recruiting station, Tuesday, and left Wednesday for Columbus barracks, Ohio, to report for duty. Lieut. W. S. Sinclair, of Charlotte, was here Tuesday to pass on the new recruits.

This winter a tomato plant grew and thrived in a window at the college. Weeks ago it bloomed and a tomato appeared. Last night examination disclosed that the tomato was fully ripe and Dr. Scott announced that it would grace the breakfast table at the college this morning.

Geo. B. Holland, the traveling man who was injured in a runaway accident at Lory Monday and was brought to the Billingsley hospital for treatment, is getting along nicely and his early recovery is expected.

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WANTS PROHIBITION ENFORCED.

Unless Vigorous Measures are Taken Conditions Will be Worse Than They are Now.

In a recent letter to the Charlotte Observer, O. W. Blacknall, of Kittrell, N. C., says:

It is death to lay violent hands on the King. If it can be clearly shown that the violence was necessary to save the King, then the King pardons but on no other grounds.

In North Carolina the people are King. The Democratic party has laid violent hands upon the King, upon the most sensitive and unforgiving part of the King—to wit: upon the King's stomach. It has shut off the King's tipples. It must now bestir itself to show that it was the King's good or woe, woe to it. For no other grounds can it ask or even hope for pardon.

Unless vigorous and stringent measures taken by this legislature, four years hence it will find moonshine stills on every spring branch and grog-shops (with druggists' signs over their doors) in every town in North Carolina. No man will deny that this will be the state of affairs not only worse than dispensaries but worse even than saloons.

The Democratic party is now in absolute control. It can pass any law and put behind that law to have it enforced any power that it sees fit.

The liquor problem is a knotty one. Never was problem more so. But it is also a vital one. Never was one more so. The whole wisdom of the party, of the State, should apply itself to the correct solution of this problem.

A way should be, must be, found to force county officers, sheriffs, county commissioners, grand jurors to ferret out the moonshine stills. Judges in charging the grand jurors should be required to especially impress on them their sacred duty in this respect.

The grog-shop drug stores must be rigidly supervised and controlled. Many of our most practical men think that a State medical dispensary in each county is the proper solution of this matter.

I am not presuming to dictate any plan as best. For I don't know what is best. I am only calling attention to a state of affairs that every observant man in the State knows will prevail if not headed off. Nothing could be more undemocratic than the general prohibition law. For local self government, the right of each community to control the things exclusively concerning that community, is the very essence of democracy. Nevertheless, if the outcome shows that it was for the people's good—that violent hands were laid on the King to save the King and that it did save him, then the King will not only pardon but also reward. Otherwise, woe be to the offender—the Democratic party. For a Republican platform in 1912 pledging that party to submit to the people local option will sweep the State.

Indeed, the consensus of opinion seems to be now that a restricted dispensary system is the only practical solution of this cursed problem. They are willing to give prohibition a fair trial, though they are dubious of its results. They don't think that the women and the preachers can form laws to govern men. They can form laws that we ought to be governed by. But not laws that we are quite willing to be governed by—not yet awhile, not until we get a fraction less unregenerate. I fear that Vance's reply to the good temperance woman when she appealed to him to support prohibition in 1881 describes our plight, too. "My dear madam, my heart is with you, but my stomach is against you."

Group positively stopped in 20 minutes, with Dr. Shoop's Group Remedy. One test alone will surely prove this truth. No vomiting, no distress. A safe and pleasing syrup—50c. Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

THE CHARITY ORGANIZATION.

Now in Full Blast. Constitution Prepared and Officers Chosen.

Those interested in the move for a systematic charity plan, met last week in the rooms of the Merchant's Association and effected a permanent association. Hon. John S. Henderson reported for the committee on preparing a constitution and the document was adopted.

The organization will be known as "The Associate Charities of Salisbury." It proposes to cooperate with the city officials and will have a system of registration, investigation and visiting, in order to prevent being imposed upon as similar organizations so often are. Sect, creed and politics will be entirely eliminated and it will know no religion except that of love and helpfulness. The membership will be divided into four classes: the associate at \$1.00 per year; the contributing at \$5.00 per year; sustaining at \$10.00 per year and patron, those subscribing \$20.00. The subscriptions are to be paid quarterly, in advance. A general secretary may be employed by the executive committee if it deems this advisable. These are, in brief the principle features of the constitution.

Officers were chosen as follows, the names being reported by W. B. Summersett, chairman of the committee on nominations: President, Hon. John S. Henderson; Rev. W. B. Duttons, first vice-president; Bismarck Capps, secretary; J. S. McCubbins, treasurer.

A board of directors, composed of the following citizens, was selected: Dr. John Whitehead, John S. Henderson, Bismarck Capps, J. S. McCubbins, W. B. Summersett, Rev. W. B. Duttons, for 1909. Chas. B. Jordan, J. M. Kirk, J. D. Heilig, T. G. Furr, Le Roy Smith, Rev. M. M. Kinard, for 1910. Wm. H. Stewart, H. S. Liveness, A. H. Price, H. W. Frund, I. Littman, Rev. Byron Clark, for 1911.

The ex-officio members are the chairman of the board of county commissioners, the mayor, the chief of police and the city health officers. Twenty will constitute a quorum for the association, and ten for the directors. The association will meet annually the first week in January, and the board of directors is to meet in April, July, October and January.

After the meeting adjourned, the board of directors held a meeting and selected the executive committee, which is composed of the president, vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, W. B. Summersett and H. W. Frund. A membership committee of twelve will be appointed upon which several ladies will be placed. The appointment of a financial committee and the selection of a meeting place will be attended to later.

This new association is starting under very favorable conditions and it is hoped a long life of usefulness is before it. While Salisbury is especially blessed in the respect that it seldom has any extremes of poverty, yet there is much such an organization as this can do to aid the needy in time of trouble or distress and reduce suffering to a minimum.

Foot Path to Peace—1909.

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your dignities; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends, and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can, with body and with spirit in God's out-of-doors—these are little guide-posts on the foot-path to peace.—Henry Van Dyke.

ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

A Plea for the Pastors. Railway Schedule Changed. The Lady and the Rat.

Stanly Enterprise, Jan. 21st.

A change in the schedule on the Yadkin railroad went into effect Monday, and it will be pleasing to people on this end of the line. The northbound train that leaves Norwood in the morning and the same train returning from Salisbury in the evening will go by Whitney. By this arrangement, the trip each way is shortened forty minutes, and the annoyance of backing in and out on the Whitney branch is obviated. The departures from Salisbury and Norwood remain as before.

If there is one thing in which churches, as a rule, need to be more careful it is the matter of preachers' salaries. With an indifference and an insensibility which we cannot understand, many churches seem to think that a contract between themselves and the minister is no contract at all. They promise to pay him a definite salary then pay him whatever is convenient. The gas man, the coal man and even the sexton must be paid, but the debt owing the minister is looked upon as altogether righteous and proper.

There was a little excitement at the colored Baptist church at Norwood during the holidays. It seems that the deacon and retiring pastor of the church said that there should be no festival held at the church on Christmas days. But Hood Carpenter and Lee Watkins, two licensed preachers, forced entrance through the window and changed the lock on the door. With such occurrences as this at colored churches, white people living nearby hardly feel safe. In fact, the matter has gotten so notorious that one party who invested in land, gave up the purchase price rather than take his family to that community. A case for the grand jury.

Henry Young is now in jail at Salisbury. The trial will come up at the February term of Rowan court. Neither Mrs. Moss nor Mr. Lefler, the main witnesses, were able to be present at court here last week, and for this reason Judge Jones moved the case to Rowan, in order that a more speedy trial might be secured than would have occurred had the case been continued till the next term of our court.

Ladies, when you go to kill rats in the pantry always see first that the door will not latch itself, as it did for one of our ladies last week. She remained with the rat sometime, and both were frightened.

Some Other Debts.

There are other debts, too, that it would be wise to pay on these first days of the year. The folk who have helped us on the way, who are not to be reached with money, do you owe them nothing? You think every day that your wife is the kindest of women, the nearest right of any human soul. Do you tell her so? There is a pitiful story of an old woman in New England dying in the arms of her son, himself a gray-haired man. "You've been good mother to me!" he cried. "Oh, John, why did you never say it before?" she said. Our Puritan and Scotch blood has made us stingy of praise and kindness, of the little words that help our neighbor on his way. This is a good time to count up such debts—Saturday Evening Post.

The Peruna Almanac.

The druggists have already been supplied with the Peruna almanac for 1909. In addition to the regular astronomical matter usually furnished in almanacs, these articles on astrology are very attractive to most people. The mental characteristics of each sign are given with faithful accuracy. A list of lucky and unlucky days will be furnished to those who have our almanacs, free of charge. Address The Peruna Co., Columbus, O.

TILLMAN ON THE NEGRO.

That Compulsory Education Will Put the Negro on Political Equality With White Man

Washington, Jan. 20.—Senator Tillman to-day gave out a statement in reply to the statements made in to-day's newspaper that President-elect Taft had had him in mind in his speech delivered yesterday at Augusta, Ga., in which Mr. Taft was reported as having spoken of him as lacking in sympathy for the education of the negro race.

Mr. Tillman attributed Mr. Taft's criticism to "misstatements and malicious editorials" in some of the South Carolina newspapers, in which, he said, his attitude had not been clearly stated. "In the first place," he said, "I am not opposed to negro education at all, provided it is of the right kind, knowing that education increases intelligence and intelligence increases the usefulness of the citizen. What I said and meant and by which I stick is this: That the Republican policy of the last 40 years has been to compel the South to recognize the political equality of the negro. That in its essence would mean the domination of the negro in South Carolina and Mississippi and many parts of other Southern States.

"We have disfranchised every negro we could under the fifteenth amendment and the only instrumentality available was to require an educational qualification. There is now an agitation in South Carolina for compulsory education. That would mean a heavy burden to provide more schools which the white tax-payers would have to bear and there could be no discrimination against the negro on account of race or color. It would cause content for supremacy."

"Hence we would present the spectacle of educating the negro at a very heavy expense to hurry forward the contest for supremacy between the two races as soon as we should have given them the necessary qualifications, to vote, and be undoing what we found absolutely necessary to preserve our civilization. "We never intend to be governed by negroes, whether educated or uneducated. The Republican party is now seeking to debauch the South through Mr. Taft who offers us two offices in every thousand of our population and a pretended advancement of our material interest to join that party. If the Republicans will throw down and abandon once for all their efforts to compel the South to recognize the equality of the Caucasian and African by repealing the fifteenth amendment, we can then have the control of our State affairs and can then train them to make better citizens and aid in the uplift which Mr. Taft is so anxious to see brought about. But we never expect to lift them higher enough ourselves or allow anybody else to lift them high enough to put their heels on our necks, or govern us again, and the conflict of the races which seems to me inevitable will only be hastened by such talk as Mr. Taft indulges in."

Installation of Officers.

At a recent meeting of Salisbury Lodge, No. 24, K. of P., the following officers were installed: T. W. Summersett, C. C. J. O. White, V. O. Phillip Richard, prelate. H. J. Overman, K. of R. and S. E. H. Miller, M. of W. C. M. Bark, M. of A. W. T. Rainey, M. of E. Major J. Merks, M. of F. J. W. Webb, I. G. C. W. Mowery, O. G. T. G. Furr, Esq., is past chancellor.

Don't Get a Divorce.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad breath. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure Constipation, causing the bad breath and Liver Trouble, the ill temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at all drug stores.