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ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

Our Neighbor Town Counts on Doing the Growing act on a Large Scale.

Stany Enterprise, August 26th.

Reuben Maulden is apparently gradually sinking. He has some form of stomach trouble, and for ten days or more has not been able to retain nourishment. Otherwise, he seems to suffer but little. He is said to be an inveterate cigarette smoker, and this may be in part responsible for his serious condition.

The marriage in Union county on yesterday, at the home of the bride's parents, of D. Boone McCurdy, to Miss Wilma Long is an event of more than ordinary interest to friends in this community. The marriage was set for an earlier date, but owing to the ill health of Mr. McCurdy it was postponed. Miss Long was one of the teachers in the city graded schools last year, and during her stay here made many friends both in and outside the school room. Mr. McCurdy is business manager of the Albemarle wholesale grocery company, and a most excellent young man.

The young son of Allen Tucker who was struck on the head by a baseball bat during a game at the farmers' union picnic at N. A. Teeter's on the 12th instant, is recovering from his wound. Young Mr. Austin, who was batting at the time of the accident, may have to show before a jury that the blow was not intentional. Tucker was a bystander, and allegations made since the game would imply that the blow he received was intended for another.

Almost any day in the week may be seen men from other parts on our streets. This week J. B. McCrary & Co., of Atlanta, had a representative here looking into contracts for construction of lights and water plant. The Southbound has a man here contracting for crossties, and others who are looking for business locations might be named. All go to show that Albemarle is forging to the front, and that our board of trade needs to get busy.

Mike, Arnold, and John Parker are spending a few days at home. They are express messengers on the Southern. Mike and Arnold are twins and are so much alike that their own parents are confused at times in telling one from the other. Mike says it is a common thing for him and Arnold to exchange "trunks," and it is a rare thing that the employees of the road detect the change.

While the article published in another column of this paper, in its speculations on the possibilities of the Southbound Railroad, seems rather partial to Winston and Lexington, it will be read with interest by our readers. But among those who are familiar with Albemarle and Stanly county, and those acquainted with the fact that in this county untold resources have lain dormant in their cry for railroad outlet and for capital to come in and develop, no uneasiness will be felt. One of the greatest water powers in land now almost harnessed, great mineral resources, surrounded by a section in which development has hardly as yet begun, the Southbound brings to Albemarle an opportunity which it will not be slow in grasping and the general prosperity that is expected to follow the building of the road will be shared in a large measure by us. With the organization of a board of trade, and a co-operation of our wide-awake business men who will continue to be on the alert for every move that will tend to promote the welfare of our section, Albemarle has nothing to fear and much to gain. It will surprise us if its rate of growth does not eclipse every other town or city along the line, and to that end our people are now looking with confident expectancy.

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CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

A Specimen of the So-called Social Club. Prisoners Still at Large.

Concord Times, August 26th.

Nothing has been heard from Lem Carter and the Blackwelder men who broke jail last week. L. P. Childers and Dr. J. E. Smoot, who have been at the Salisbury sanatorium, continue to improve, and will soon be able to return home.

The many friends of J. Cleveland Carpenter, cashier at J. M. Bell Company's, and Miss Jennie Bell Goodman, formerly bookkeeper for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, will be interested in the announcement that they are to be married on Tuesday, September 14.

One of the citizens of No. 5 township who wanted to be sure of attending the re-union in Charlotte this week went to the depot several days before going and purchased his ticket, saying he was afraid that the tickets would all be sold, and he would not be able to get one if he waited until the day he wished to go. It was reported on the streets yesterday that the gentleman referred to had got lost on his way back home. However, his friends hope he will reach home in safety.

A rucus which occurred last Saturday night at the Concord Social Club, near the Gibson mill, was aired in the recorder's court Wednesday with the result that the club surrendered its charter as a compromise, to stop any further proceedings against it. The evidence showed that a number of members gathered at the club, filled up on beer, and were having a "good time," which was broken up by a fight. As a result of the trial those engaged in the fight were fined \$4.57 each for fighting and \$10 for gambling.

Spencer Items.

The Crescent is pleased to learn there is a prospect for the organization of a band in Spencer.

The firm of S. A. Blalock, doing a grocery and produce business on Fourth street, this week sold its entire stock and good will to Messrs. G. W. Bringle and W. D. Cornelison, who will continue the business at the old stand.

The Spencer Mercantile Company, one of the largest mercantile establishments in Rowan county, held its annual meeting at the offices of the company here last week at which nearly all the stockholders were present. A cash dividend of 10 per cent was declared and a handsome amount passed to the surplus of the company, and it is stated the past year was a most satisfactory one. The following officers were elected: J. D. Dorsett, president; J. K. Dorsett, vice-president; S. T. Dorsett, general manager; W. A. Goodwin secretary and treasurer.

The plant of the Correll Over-all Company is being moved this week from China Grove to Spencer and will be set up for business within the next few days. The machinery is being placed and when this is done the subscribers for stock in Spencer will be called together to inspect the plant and take an inventory of the premises after which a re-organization of the company will follow. Several new directors will be elected and other changes made which will be in keeping with the enlargement of the business. The company has for some three years enjoyed a large and steadily increasing business and is coming to Spencer it was but natural for the concern to seek one of the best shipping points in North Carolina. P. A. Correll, an old railroad man who, however, has for six years given his entire time to this line of business, will have active charge of the plant in Spencer, being one of the largest stockholders. He has already moved his family here and expects to make Spencer his home.—Spencer Crescent, August 26th.

ORIGIN OF MECKLENBURG FEUD.

Had Its Beginning in a Runaway Marriage.

The row Saturday night [at Huntersville] was the culmination of a family feud covering a period of about two years. The Hucks and Cox families reside in the Croft section of Mallard Creek township and have been neighbors for a long time. The trouble began two years ago when Reece Hucks, the deceased, stole away from the Cox home one of the Cox girls, Miss Elva, daughter of Charles Cox, the man so seriously wounded, and sister of Ed. Cox, the man in custody charged with the killing. Hucks was acting in behalf of his friend, Robert Beatty, who was in love with the young lady but who on account of his blindness could not go after her himself. Miss Cox and Mr. Beatty were married shortly after flight from home and have been living happily together ever since. This interference of Reece Hucks was not relished by the Cox boys and there has been trouble pending ever since. Several fights have already taken place, one of which was carried into the courts, but which was patched up by counsel before the case came to trial. It has been known for some time that the storm was liable to break at any moment, for several intimations of approaching trouble had been noted. This was evidenced by the action of Mr. Charles Cox last week in selling his farm in Mallard Creek township and announcing to his friends that he was going to move away from the neighborhood in order to avoid trouble. He did not get away in time.

It is the consensus of opinion that the trouble is not yet settled. The Cox family is a very large and influential one and so also the Hucks and Davis connections. All are known to be as nery as can be and it is certain that the settlement thus far reached is not satisfactory. One of the witnesses here to attend the coroner's inquest declared that both factions were "so scrappy that they would even light torches to fight by." Jasper Hinson, grandfather of the Hucks boys, is remembered as the man who killed Cranford in a saloon on College street in this city many years ago. He was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to be hung. This sentence was commuted to life imprisonment and later he was pardoned.

There were many callers at the jail, among the number being Mrs. Ed Cox, the bride of the prisoner, and his sister, Mrs. Robert Beatty, about whom all the trouble clings.—Charlotte Observer.

W. E. Breese Found Guilty and Sentenced.

Asheville, Aug. 28.—William E. Breese and Joseph E. Dickerson were to-day found guilty of the charge of conspiring to defraud the First National Bank of Asheville, the jury which has heard the case since July 26, coming into court at 9:45 with a verdict which recommended the mercy of the court. Judge Newman promptly sentenced each of the defendants to serve two years in the Atlanta penitentiary, the maximum under the statute, and to pay a fine of \$2,500.

STATE NEWS.

Short Items of Interest Gathered From all Parts of the Commonwealth.

A chemical engine used by the fire department at Brevard, exploded while being used at a fire Wednesday. J. P. Aiken colored was killed and four white firemen were injured.

The A. A. Shuford Milling Company, which will build a cotton mill at Hickory, has been chartered with an authorized capital of \$125,000 and \$80,000 subscribed. The Cochrane Mault and Novelty Company, of Charlotte, is also chartered by J. E. Cochrane and others; authorized capital \$25,000.

An unknown negro employed in the Haag shows which exhibited here a few weeks ago, was killed in Asheville Thursday night. He went to sleep under one of the big show wagons and when the wagon was moved the wheel ran across his head and crushed his skull.

Mrs. Ellen Holton, of High Point, while visiting in Morganton, recently, fell and broke her arm. She claims her fall was due to the condition in which the sidewalk was and has therefore entered suit for damages.

The county superintendents of public schools are in session at Henderson to-day. A very large number are in attendance.

Raleigh is to have a new theatre. Preparations are now in progress for its erection. It will be known as the Grand.

Ben W. Morris, Jr., shot and killed John Capps in Asheville, last Wednesday evening. The men were at Morris' house and Morris claims that Capps was rammaging through his things breaking his furniture and attacked him with a razor and he therefore shot in self defense. The coroner's jury exonerated Morris, but Capps' people were not satisfied with the verdict and have had Morris arrested charging him with murder. Morris is now out on bond and will be given a preliminary hearing September 7th.

Nash and Edgecombe counties to have a big home-coming and celebration at Rocky Mount, Oct. 12th, North Carolina Day.

James A. Blackeney a Mecklenburg farmer, was the first in that county to market a bale of cotton this year. The bale weighed 496 pounds and brought 14 cents per pound. Mr. Blackeney has done this same thing for the last 28 years.

A Fight in a Creek.

The Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer says: They tell of a fight, between four brothers, two on one side and two on the other, that recently took place in the waters of Richardson creek, in Burnsville township, that was a hot number while it lasted. According to the story told by the M. & I. the men were seining in the creek when a brother on one side told the brother on the other side that he was not holding his seine right. The d—m lie was then passed and all four of the men went at it hammer and tongs. The fight continued for some time in the creek and the brothers being held under the water until he was almost strangled. Finally the men reached the bank of the stream where the fight was continued by a brother on both sides until the face of each of the combatants was beaten black and blue. The men at last desisted from sheer exhaustion, neither of them having conquered the other. All parties have since made friends and are now on the best of terms.

Seared With a Hot Iron

or scalded by overturned kettle—cut with a knife—bruised by slammed door—injured by gun or in any other way—the thing needed at once is Bucklen's Arnica Salve to subdue inflammation and kill the pain. It's earth's supreme healer, infallible for Boils, Ulcers, Fever Sores, Eczema and Piles. 25c at all druggists.

BIG FLOOD IN MEXICO.

High Water and Rushing Waters Kill People and Destroys Property.

Monterey, Mexico, August 28.—Eight hundred persons drowned, 15,000 homeless and property damaged to the extent of \$12,000,000 is the result of a flood which struck this city between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning.

Laredo, Texas, August 28.—Word reached this city late this afternoon of one of the most disastrous floods that has ever been experienced in northern Mexico caused by the overflow of the Santa Catarina river. According to rumors there has been great loss of life, estimated at 100 to 300, and the financial damage is estimated at anywhere from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. For the past 48 hours a veritable deluge of rain has been falling which together with the flow of water from the adjacent mountains into the Santa Catarina river, so swelled the stream that it reached a width of a mile and a half and completely overflowed certain portions of the city of Monterey, and wrecking houses and causing loss of life as it rampaged on its mad course. Reports state that the current in the river was so swift that it appeared to the stricken families who lived in the vicinity to be a miniature Niagara.

Laredo, Tex., August 29.—Direct communication with Monterey was re-established over the Associated Press leased wire at 10:30 to-night. The operator at the point stated that the number of dead will reach 1,200. The Monterey News was compelled to suspend publication two days owing to high water and light and power being cut off.

Laredo, Tex., August 29.—The property damage is variously estimated at from \$5,000,000 to \$12,000,000. Last night in Monterey was one of death, desolation, darkness and sorrow.

The flood waters of the Santa Catarina river continued on their rampant course throughout the night and, to add to the horror of the situation the rain commenced to fall and caused untold suffering to the thousands of homeless persons who had congregated on the various plazas.

The destructive flood, due to the continued rain fall for the past 96 hours, swept everything before it and hardly a vestige is left of what was a conglomeration of small huts swarming with families belonging to the poorer classes. The loss of life, which cannot now be accurately estimated, was among the poorer classes and is variously placed at from 400 to 1,000.

Last night every effort was made by the kind-hearted citizens to shelter the women and children. Their homes were thrown open to the sufferers; the police station, many of the hotels and private clubs as well as the rooms of several organizations were placed at the disposition of the authorities and for the greater part the women and children were cared for. However, many of the men were compelled to sleep in the open in various places. Many women were separated from their husbands, mothers from their children, without knowledge of the whereabouts of one another, and scenes of the most profound grief are witnessed on all hands.

Twos a Glorious Victory.

There's rejoicing in Federa, Tenn. A man's life has been saved, and now Dr. King's New Discovery is the talk of the town for curing C. V. Pepper of deadly lung hemorrhages. "I could not work nor get about, he writes, 'and the doctors did me no good, but after using Dr. King's New Discovery three weeks, I feel like a new man, and can do work again.' For weak, sore or diseased lungs, Coughs and Colds, Hemorrhages, Hay Fever, La Grippe, Asthma or any Bronchial affection it stands unrivaled. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free. Sold and guaranteed by all druggists.

LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Thomasville is Figuring on a Cotton Mill and Lexington is Completing one.

Lexington Dispatch, August 26th.

The first car of pressed grey brick for the hotel arrived Monday. Work on tearing down the old one is progressing slowly.

It is thought the brick work on the new Dacotah cotton mill will be completed this week, with the exception of the tower.

Mrs. Nannie Keen Brown will leave Thomasville this week for Columbia, S. C., where she is going to open the Caldwell Hotel of that city. She hopes to open the hotel next week. Her brother Chas. Keen, formerly of the Selwin, of Charlotta, will have charge of the office department. Mrs. Brown is an experienced hotelist and she intends to make this hotel one of the best in every way.

(Mrs. Brown is the widow of the late Scot Brown and was at one time a resident of Salisbury.—Ed WATCHMAN.

Thomasville is now in a fair way to secure at least one \$150,000 cotton mill and has a mighty good chance towards securing another in case if the site is given. And just here it may be said that by just a few minutes talk Friday afternoon by a number of the business men of the town, over \$2,000 was secured and the arrangements have been made by which a suitable site can be secured and the necessary site offered to clinch the offer made by foreign capitalists in the second instance the people of the town will subscribe part of the stock equal to the amount of foreign capital. A large part of Thomasville's stock has already been subscribed. With the above proposition presented it seems a fact that Thomasville will secure a cotton mill before the close of the year. All the citizens and business men are working harmoniously together and will make the strongest effort possible to get these cotton mills.

The New Cents.

The new cents, called by some, pennies, have been in the coffers and pockets of Salisburyans for about a month, but not every one has seen them. We confess we have no fondness for anything disfigured with Abe Lincoln's likeness, nor do we like the general appearance of the new cent. On this subject the Statesville Landmark says:

The new coin is the first one-cent piece of the United States to bear the portrait of one of the Presidents since the issue of the Washington cent of 1792. It bears the portrait bust of Abraham Lincoln. When the pennies were first issued it was noticed that the initials of Victor D. Brenner, the designer, appeared on them in very tiny letters, and the matter was called to the attention of the director of the mint. President Roosevelt desired that Brenner's name go on the coin but the director of the mint decided to have only Brenner's initials. However, it was decided to issue no more of these coins and in further issues the V and D. will be omitted, leaving only B. the last initial.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to and subscribed in my presence, this 8th day of December, A. D., 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON,
NOTARY PUBLIC.
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Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

Engineer Folsom Severely Injured and Barely Escaped Death.

Statesville Landmark, Aug. 27th.

Four residences are in course of construction in a single block of one of the principal residence districts of the town, and work on a fifth will begin in a short time.

C. C. Folsom, of Asheville, an engineer in the service of the Southern railway, was seriously injured in the local railroad yards Wednesday afternoon about 5:20 o'clock. He was knocked from the cab of a locomotive by the standpipe. He is now at Billingsley hospital, where he was taken soon after the accident, and is getting along as well as could be expected. While his injuries are quite serious they are not considered necessarily dangerous.

A thorough examination of Mr. Folsom's injuries at the hospital revealed that his head and face are a mass of cuts and bruises. There are three very ugly wounds, one just below his left eye, another back of his left ear and another over his right eye. The one back of his ear is considered the most dangerous.

A number of persons saw Mr. Folsom when he fell and these consider it almost miraculous that he did not meet instant death. All felt sure that either a hand or a foot had been crushed off by the wheels of the engine, but fortunately his head was nearest the track and in the struggle none of his limbs were thrown across the rail.

Mr. Folsom is a middle-aged man and has a family. His wife and sister were brought to Statesville from Asheville on a special train late Wednesday night and Mrs. Folsom is still with him at the hospital. His sister returned to Asheville yesterday.

About Snakes.

Major George W. Clegg, who is well acquainted with the habits of snakes, called at The Landmark office this week to say that while some people might not believe the Anson county story of the king snake swallowing the rattler (told by the Wadesboro Messenger and copied in the last issue of The Landmark), he knew it was true because he had witnessed a similar occurrence many years ago. In this case the victim of the king snake was a moccasin, larger than the king snake but about a foot shorter. Major Clegg's attention was called to the snakes while the king snake was squeezing the life out of the moccasin. Then the swallowing process began and the major watched it through, although it took the king snake about three hours to get the moccasin down. When he had finished he was so full he couldn't crawl. Major Clegg laid him in the corner of the fence and saw him no more, but supposes he survived.

As to snakes laying eggs, [the major says] poisonous snakes do not lay eggs but the non-poisonous do.

The king snake, while perfectly harmless, is the king of all snakes. As to the poisonous snakes, we understand that there are only three in this class to be found in North Carolina. They are the rattlers and copperheads, which are pretty common throughout the State, and the cotton mouth, only found in the flat country in the east. Some say the sparrow-hawk and moccasin are also poisonous, both of which, we believe, lay eggs.—Ed. WATCHMAN.

Washington's Plague Spots

lie in the low, marshy bottoms of the Potomac, the breeding ground of malaria germs. These germs cause chills, fever, ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness, and general debility and bring suffering or death to thousands yearly. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "They are the best all-around tonic and cure for malaria I ever used," writes R. M. James of Loullen, S. C. They cure Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Blood Troubles and will prevent Typhoid. Try them, 50c. Guaranteed by all druggists.