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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS.

Interesting Items of News
Briefly Set Forth For
Busy Readers.

The senate has confirmed the
nomination of Luther as postmas-
ter at Biltmore.

The little town of Granite Falls,
on the C. & N. W. Railroad, ships
annually, \$25,000 worth of chick-
and eggs.

A special note of interest to
Methodists in general, is the news
that nearly one-half of the \$300,-
000 for a National church in the
city of Washington, has been sub-
scribed.

Although 1,200 pensioners died
in the state last year, the total
number was increased 1,000 over
1908, same being due to the fact
that the legislature increased the
number of widows of soldiers who
could get pensions.

Charlotte has passed the fifty-
thousand mark, according to a
census taken by a directory com-
pany which has been at work on
the job of numbering the people.
It is estimated that in the last 12
months there has been a gain of
5,000 people. There are over 17,
negroes in the city.

In Catawba county two brothers
away out in the country from
Newton are making plow handles
"to beat the band." The enter-
prise says that hardly a day passes
that big four-horse loads are not
hailed to the depot for shipment.
The handles are made of white oak
and are so superior to the general
run that they command ready sale.

In keeping with a law passed by
the last General Assembly of North
Carolina the Southern Railway
Company has ordered all its loco-
motives equipped with modern
electric headlights. This rule ap-
plies to freight engines as well as
those in the passenger service, the
greater portion of which have for
some time been using the electric
headlight. Two carloads of the
headlights have been shipped to
Spencer and will be placed on the
locomotives by April 1.

The Glen Alpine correspondent
to the Morganton News-Herald
says the big power plant to be
erected on the Catawba river above
the White, or Corpening, ford is
getting down to facts and business.
Surveyor Millner, of Morganton,
will be up to-day to survey the
ground and otherwise arrange for
the commencement of the work.
A syndicate composed of Mr. J.
D. Pitts, of this place, and Mr.
Andrew Kistler and others, of
Morganton, make it substantial
and practicable. Mr. J. D. Pitts
has bought the "Jim Orders place,"
removing the last objection to
backing of water by dam on land
owners. Mr. Pitts owns land on
both sides of the river above and
below the projected dam to the
amount of \$35,000. Mr. Kistler
will use the power to run the large
tannery at Morganton.

May Establish Farming School for
Boys in North Carolina.

New York, March 24.—The Rev.
Dr. Oscar Haywood, pastor of the
Baptist Church of the Covenant of
this city, announced this afternoon
that he was prepared to offer sev-
eral hundred acres of land on the
lower border of the middle-pied-
mont section of North Carolina as
the ground and foundation for a
school of farming for boys. De-
tails of the plan were not made
known but it is supposed that it
provided that there is a sufficient
financial support to transport
thither city-born boys and boys of
the landless classes of the South to
fit them for a life as practical
farmers.

Tact is too often merely the art
of lying without being found out.



NEBO HIGH SCHOOL, NEBO, N. C.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

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Political Situation in McDowell.

EDITOR MARION PROGRESS:
I ask the courtesy of a portion of the space you so kindly allot to subscribers in your "People's Forum." My purpose is to express my views regarding the political situation in McDowell county as regards a nominee for Congress in the Tenth District.

To a student of politics, or even to the ordinary observer of current events, it is not only reasonable to state, but it is "one safe guess," that the next Congress will be Democratic so far as the House of Representatives is concerned. If a congressional district in Massachusetts, which never in its history elected a Democrat now does so with a plurality of over 8000 when the usual Republican majority is upwards of 18,000, and does so squarely upon the tariff issue, then what may we expect in the usually strong Democratic districts. It has even been the usual result to have defeat overtake the party in power when a tariff was a part of the legislation enacted by that party.

Now, what part does the "tent" wish to take in making Democratic victory certain and to have our representation in congress, as it should be, Democratic. The answer is plain.

The next point for consideration is the nominee. We will base our consideration on the following premises, viz:

Who best can unite the party for every purpose?

Who best can "get into the game" at Washington with the least loss of time in learning how?

Who can lay the strongest claim to proved strength as a campaigner, as a man, and as a representative after election.

Who can offer the cleanest "record," in addition to the above cited points, so that the opposition can find no other mode of attack other than the plain issues of the day.

Answering these premises, I feel

NO INSURGENTS MADE OBJECTION

Vote on New Rules Committee is
Declared Unanimous by
Speaker Cannon.

Washington, March 25.—By unanimous vote the house today adopted a resolution naming the committee on rules, composed of six republicans and four democrats, in pursuance of the provisions of the Norris resolution. Representative Currier of New Hampshire reported the resolution, naming as the committee on rules: Dabzell of Pennsylvania, Walter I. Smith of Iowa, Boutwell of Illinois, Lawrence of Massachusetts, Fassett of New York and Smith of California, all republicans, and Clark of Missouri, Underwood of Alabama, Dixon of Indiana and Fitzgerald of New York, democrats.

After brief discussion which made it a matter of record that the members named in the resolution had been selected in party caucus, the house by viva voce vote adopted the resolution.

State's Educational Progress.

A bulletin of the progress of local taxation in North Carolina for the improvement of public schools, just gotten out by the state department of education, shows that during the last fiscal year 152 school districts were carried for local taxation, distributed in 42 counties, 132 districts had been carried within the period of 90 days. The income for local taxes for the year was \$817,249, an increase of \$165,510 over the previous year. There was raised during the year by bonds and loans for the special tax districts \$290,070. So the total amount raised during the fiscal year in the state by local taxation aggregated \$1,107,320 a gain of \$87,028. Since 1896 the number of local tax districts have increased from 402 to 995. These are distributed in 95 of the 98 counties.

The state supreme court holds that the stipulation written in a bill of lading by a railroad that unless a claim for damages is made within 30 days after the loss of freight or the delivery of damaged goods, the railroad will not be responsible is void and will not hold.

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NEBO HIGH SCHOOL DORMITORY

A Mountain Trip.

Old Fort, Mar. 31.—Last Saturday morning, March 18, many of the young people of this community were up real early and hurrying about with a great stir. But soon their bright faces were crossed by a shadow when the clouds began to gather round the sun and finally hide him from view. While they were yet doubting what to do the sun again came out and in a little while was shining as bright as ever.

Perhaps we would like to know what caused such anxiety on that particular morning. The school at Bethel, taught by Mr. Julius Parker, closed March 17, and he planned to take the school on a trip to Hickory-Nut mountain, nearby. A large portion of the school and many others gladly accepted the proposition.

By nine o'clock the crowd had gathered at J. H. Brown's, the place from which they were to start. In a short time a party consisting of the following had started up the mountain: Messrs. John Brown, James Gibson, Julius Parker, Boyd Howie, Charles Parker, Lonnie Brown, Steve Parker, Cullen Howie, Joe Brown, Cary Parker, Mills Melton, Schley Souther, Alfred Gibson, Jessie Brown and Eliza Gibson and Misses Dora Hogan, Elsie Gibson, Lela Souther, Ollie Porter, Allie Brown, Edna Manning, Annie Gibson, Dora Souther, Bessie Gibson, Pearl Parker, Mamie Bradshaw, Edna Hogan, Annie Parker, Harriet Gibson, Annie Brown, Sallie Bradshaw, Lela Melton and Alice Bradshaw.

While some were yet scarcely any distance from the foot of the mountain those in front were nearly half way to the top, forming a line which one might compare to Lamas ascending the Andes Mountains. This was the most strenuous part of the day but after many struggles the summit was reached at 11:50 o'clock. Messrs. Ollie Porter and Lela Souther and Messrs. Steve Parker and Lonnie Brown were the first to reach the top. After rambling and strolling awhile all came together and lunch was spread on a large flat rock. All enjoyed this and after talking, laughing and singing a while the party began to stray off in search of water.

Many good views could be seen from Look-out Rock, (which is about 300 feet high), Nancy's Cliff, Carlo's Cliff and other places. But on account of so much smoke distant places could not be seen.

About 8 o'clock the wanderers gathered again and, after taking a farewell glance, started downward and homeward. All seemed to enjoy the trip

immensely. When the foot of the mountain was reached this jolly but tired party separated and all were soon at home again, saying with old "Farmer John" that "the best of the journey is the getting home."

Excuse Us, Please.

The time has again come when the country editor is "bored" by long articles in written copy or his attention is called in many instances to long articles circled with black marks with a simple request to "copy this little article in behalf of our friend and neighbor, Mr. So and So for the Judge-ship, Congress, etc." never, it seems, taking into consideration the fact that the stock in trade of a paper of this class is its space. If the publicity, gentlemen, would be worth anything to you, why not send a little "dough" with which to pay for the ink, and thereby help to lighten the burdens of the 'devil' who puts in print an article that could possibly do no good save to the aspirant himself. We have had some experiences along this line that are not at all pleasant memories and while we are willing to do all in our power for the nominees of the party, we must ask that at least a little encouragement be sent along with these long articles especially when they come from other counties. It would be just as reasonable to ask your neighbor to help tend your crop without recompense or reward as to expect a rural editor to print columns after columns for a candidate without reward or hope of reward, when his living depends entirely upon his paper. Excuse us, please.—Watauga Democrat.

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