## MARION PROGRESS

 can well boast of the fact that it
has furnished to the State Judiciary from the year 1900. one of the
bblest and mostaffable Judges ever gracing the Superior Court Bench. The rraise can be a bit more nar-
rowly confined in that Rutberford
 terest, would gladifl lay claim on
him, for in M. H. Justice there is a possession of natural endowment
for the Judgeship, and its a great big principile to work from, constifor pare and principled politics. Consequenty his failure of re-
election would be sadly remiss and We would go on reminding that suceeasful politics is not saccessful
government; that oftentimes politics will recklessly defeat a good is less competent as an incumbent
but more competent as a when a winner must be sccheduled to redeem the situation-but that
course is narrow because it places party gain in ad rance of all thinges, and we should rue the day when
in pootitics wisdom is foregone, merit forgotten and the treen of
the political times would demand other thical compeetence.
In Judge M.
H. Jus man, there breatbes a a siritit of
true manhood and his mission is that of betterment. In M. H.
Jostice, the Judge, there is a decided, judicial temperament,
faithful desire to duly execute the la a and a consequent love tor
righteous sort of fitness which fits.
We are ever mindful of the fact
 better Judge for not being and can
therefore do his undivided daty
without cal phantoms can rise up to detour
him. We are confident and believe that his merit and ability stand
him in hand sufficiently to easily and readily win, for indeed it
would be a sad innter sequently destraction of a principle
to let politics defeat him who so ably fulfilled every requiremen We always like to think of this
man for there is mind's eye a picture of a good man reer stands in bass-relief with Judicial halo encircling his head.
No standing still al effort at Nebo cause of education is indeed well. All honor to . It splendid corps of teachers, much praise for the earnest attention an
effort of the pupils and hearty ap proval for the complete and wel
directed co-operation of the pa reats. We bespeak a continuatio
of this meritorious and good cause. Finally, to D. F schools and pioneer teacher at thi
Nebo school, we extend congratu added success in his effort to mak this school second
class in the state.

We note that Hon. Henry Clay
Brown, of Raleigh, is being strong ly endorsed for the position o
Corporation Commission his candidacr is strengthened b S. L. Rogers that he would not 2candidate for re-election.
Mr. Brown's long record of Vice in the office is the best test
monial of his fitness. He is a goo map, the right man for the place
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one heither do we see a possible make, for indeed
prefecan ing of issues whose tendencies ar chine rule, also making a sort
side step he punches Grantism worthy blow, not only on general
principles but for antoward office We think放es, together with his ability d sincerity of purpose he wil
ndoubtedly be the man to redeem district. Too, these issues are ople should the people and the ze that fact, and it is high time We lik "legalized robbery," which is legalized robbery," which is MRS. BLACKWELDER KILLED BY LIGHTNING Well Known Resident of Old Fort Meets Death-Other News
Old Fort, April 6.-Mrs. Wh ng on her back porch, was struck aring the rain and electrical storm fternoon about $5: 30$. The wolt
struck arge hole through the roof passed
down the chimney to the lower Neighbors near-by hearing it strike rushed in and found Mrs. BlackDr. McIntosh was hurriedly summoned but she was found to
dead before he reached there. S
$\qquad$ ord, Swannanoa, and three sisters
-Mrs. J. S. Bradley and Miss Maude Crawford, of Old Fort, and
Mrs. Geo. E. Lee of Asheville. Funeral services were conducted
in the Presbyterian church Tuesday
at 11 occlock and was in by the pastors of Baptist, Meth-
odist and Presbyterian churches and interment was in the Old Fort
cemetery. Mrs. Blackwelder had long been a consistent member of
the Baptist church, and was very
higbly esteemed by all who knew highly esteemed by all who
relatives have the sympathy of and entire community.
E. L. Clement, Grand Deputy Woodman of the World, has insti-
tuted a lodge at this place with they are meeting in the Masonic
Hall. Atty. Guy Weaver, of Asheville, spent Sunday in Old Fort with
relatives.
The third Old Fort base bal nine defeated the Marion High
School team on the Old Fort dia mond Saturday by a score of 10 to
5. Only five innings were played, Marion offering to give them the game at the end of the third whid
Old Fort would not agree to. Geo. Sandlin, Mrs. P. H. Mash
arn and Mrs. J. H. Sahisbur left last week for a stay of a few
weeks at Hot Springs, Ark., for their health.
Eight men
Eight members of the Asheville
I. O. O. F. came down Tuesday and assisted the old Fort lodge degree on four candidates.
C. H. Burgin Wednesday.
Mayor Ha Mayor Harmon was on the sick
list several days last week Miss Maude Weaver, of Weaver
ville, is the guest this week of her
sister, Mrs. Booth.
John Blalock, Jr., has gone in
with Taslor Green to learn the
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General News,
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is yet chance for frost to cut down
the crop.
The committee of the North Gar-
olina Methodist conferences, the
Holston conference and the South
Carolina conference, having in
charge the selection of a site for
the Methodist chatauqua, is quietly
at work looking over the varions
places desired in the moèntains of
North Carolina and the plans are
assuming shape. Some think
Weaverville, near Asheville, will Deave place.
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superintendent of census, says
hat by June 1 he hopes to be sble or report the population of the and 91 milhion. The enumerators will start April 15 and will cover rural sections in thirty days. will take four months to cover nanufacturing interests and three
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