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## NOTICES.

### New Advertisements.

Mortgage Sale—D. W. SHULER.  
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St. Valentines' day—to day.  
Light snow last Monday morning.  
Senator Vance is in the Senate Chamber again.

Mr. F. L. Shuford has returned from the Northern markets.

Don't forget the meeting of the Ladies Aid Society on Friday night.

A slight earthquake shock was felt in lower South Carolina Wednesday night, of last week.

Mr. F. L. Cline has some garden seed for distribution. Call upon him and get a pack.

The Senior editor is still sick and confined to his bed, the local editor is overworked and we ask leniency for all short-comings.

Judge Phillips sent a man to jail in Winston last week, for ten days for coming on the witness stand intoxicated. Served him right.

F. L. Cline Esq., left last Tuesday for Raleigh, from which point he will probably go to Washington, D. C., to attend the inauguration.

Catawba is not the only county that is now agitated over the removal of its Court House. Alamance and Gaston are two others. There may be more.

The President has appointed Thomas M. Vance, of North Carolina, Son of Zeb, to be receiver of public moneys at North Yakima, Washington Territory.

We hereby warn all persons who may come in contact with a certain patent medicine man who is giving away money, etc., to advertise himself and thereby sell his medicine. He is a sharper and will "do you" if you deal with him.

The Governor yesterday consented to an exchange of courts by which Judge Connor is to hold the spring terms of Martin, Pitt, Green, Franklin and Nash and Judge Armfield is to hold the spring terms of Burke, Caldwell, Watauga, Ashe, Mitchell and Yancey.—News-Observer.

The corn crop of 1888 was 3,000,000,000 bushels, and to estimate what this is, it will take 5,000,000 cars to haul it and these cars in one train would belt the earth and reach 8,000 miles further. The crop in 1888 was 600,000,000 bushels more than the crop in 1887. This calculation was rendered us by the best mathematician in town.

### Dropped Dead.

On last Sunday, Mrs. Hawn, mother of Mr. Calvin Hawn, dropped dead at the residence of Mr. Abee, of this city. She was about 77 years old.

### The Ladies Aid.

The Ladies Aid Society, of the M. E. Church, will give a supper for the benefit of the Parsonage, at the Hall over Halthcock's furniture store, Friday evening the 15th inst., from 6 to 10 p. m. The public respectfully invited.

### PRINTING BY ELECTRICITY.

Asheville and the "Citizen" as Usual, Leads the State.

### The Press & Carolinian Second.

This week's issue of Country Homes, published in the Citizen's office, was printed on a press driven by a Sprague Electric motor. This is the first newspaper ever printed in North Carolina by electric power. The motor in question arrived day before yesterday and was set up yesterday morning by Mr. John H. Barnard, superintendent of the Asheville Electric Light Co., and agent of the Sprague Electric Railway and Motor Co., for North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. The power was taken from the incandescent circuit of the Asheville Electric Light Co., which is now prepared to furnish power to all power-users along its line.

The motor itself is an insignificant looking little affair, not a hundredth part the size of the engine heretofore employed to drive the press, but it gets there all the same. The beauties of an electric motor generator are manifold. It occupies next to no space, makes no noise, gives off no heat or smell, is perfectly uniform in speed, requires almost no attention, does away with fire, oils and the danger of explosion, costs less than steam generated in small quantities, and very much less than a gas or oil engine of the same power.—Asheville Citizen.

The HICKORY PRINTING Co., has put electric lights in and will soon run their presses by electric power.

### Thanks. Yes. Why Not?

We respectfully take off our hat and make our obeisance to Hickory as an enterprising, growing town, she can now boast of electric lights, (turned on last Monday night for the first), one of the finest hotels in the State, not a vacant house or store in the place, a beautiful opera house building, a handsome, roomy and convenient female college, with an excellent school going on, and a promise from the R. R. Co., of a new passenger and freight depot. Thirty years ago there was nothing there but a cross road tavern, and only the energy and push of a few men have made Hickory what she is. Why not settle the county seat controversy by moving it there!—Salisbury Watchman.

### An Intellectual Verdict.

United States Senate,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9 1889.  
MR. HUGH A. MURRILL,  
Hickory, N. C.

MY DEAR HUGH:—I do not know whether or not my subscription to your paper is expired. I do not know of any paper that I appreciate more, there is always news, and plenty of good sense. What more could you wish. Let me know when my subscription is out, I wish to renew. R.

### The Art Class

Which Mr. Grace has organized in Shuford's Hall is such a success that the word only hunts at what should be expressed. The hall is lighted with electricity, every pupil has an easel and the instructor is getting things fairly under way now and is doing good work. He has 56 scholars.

Have your suit made by Royster & Martin, Hickory, N. C.

### Amusements.

#### THE LADIES' GUILD.

As we announced last week would be the case, the Guild of the Episcopal church was entertained by Mrs. D. W. Shuler on last Thursday night. Mr. Shuler's elegantly finished and furnished house and the spacious halls and parlors are all that could have been desired on such an occasion, and who is better suited and more competent to preside over and make an entertainment of any kind enjoyable than the host and his elegant wife, Mrs. D. W. Shuler? Everything was pleasant, every thing was elegant and everything moved smoothly along under the mentioned supervisions. The management showed clearly how well they understood pleasing the male sex, for in addition to the elegant repast served—of which 126 partook and which netted the church about \$30—there was at hand what was more enjoyable. Supper was served by five of Hickory's fairest and most captivating young ladies. Each was dressed tastily and each wore spotless white aprons and cute little caps. They flitted about like fairies with cheeks and eyes aglow and merry voices and pleasant smiles till the atmosphere, being laden with aromatic sweets, was highly intoxicating as well as elevating.

#### WHIST PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. MacAvoy entertained a small party of friends last Monday night in the parlors of the Hickory Inn. After a whist game and the serving of an elegant lunch a home circle dance was indulged in. Nothing but enjoyment was experienced.

#### RECEPTION.

On last Friday night Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Shuler, at their residence, gave to a large assemblage of their friends a very enjoyable evening of dancing and promenading during the intervals of which came the bracing of the inner man. With canvas over the carpets of the spacious parlors, a good violinist and pianist the dancing facilities were superb.

### Serious Accident to a Man on the W. N. C. Railroad.

Last Saturday as a freight train on the Western road was running at the rate of thirty miles an hour between Newton and Catawba Station, something about the engine got out of order, and the steam and fire rushed out into the cab. The fireman, a man named Howard, ran back and tried to climb on top of the cars, but failing to do so he leaped out, hitting the frozen ground on his head.

The engineer climbed on the steps and then on to the engine, where he gave the signal to put on brakes, but the train ran one and a half miles before being stopped. It was then backed to the place where Howard had jumped. He was taken on board alive, but unconscious; and the train ran back to Newton. Dr. Baker, of Hickory, railroad physician, was telegraphed for, and met them here. He found the man in a perfectly crazed condition, a hole having been knocked in the back of his head, one arm broken, and his body terribly bruised.

Spring and summer Swatches just arrived at Royster & Martin's white front clothing emporium, Hickory N. C.

Crown Prince of Austria is dead.

### KNIGHTS OF HONOR

Paid Charlotte \$12,000 In Four Months.

Referring to the death of Col. Charles R. Jones, and of his family getting \$2,000 from the Knights of Honor, the Chronicle says:

Col. Jones was one of the organizers of the Charlotte branch of Knights of Honor, and was its first Dictator. The branch was organized in this city in 1877. All told Col. Jones had paid into the organization as dues less than \$300, for which now his family will receive before this day next month the neat sum of \$2,000.

The Knight's of Honor is one of the finest beneficiary organizations in the United States. It has proven a special blessing to Charlotte; within four months it has five deaths in Charlotte, that many families receiving \$2,000 each.

### The Railroad Commission.

After much labor the committee on Railroad Commission have prepared a bill which had better not become a law as it is now reported. In the first place the Commissioners should be appointed by the Governor and his Council and not elected by the people which would necessitate a state convention of both parties every two years, with a hob-nobbing and bargaining for the railroad influence. The bill declares the Commissioners shall be transported free over all the roads in the State. That is neither lawful nor just. Railroads have rights which the courts will protect. The bill says the Commission shall have absolute power over the freight and passenger traffic of all roads wholly in the State. This is also unlawful and unjust. Strange that so much has been said about members of the Legislature and State officers riding on free passes and the same Legislature passing a law that three State officers shall ride free over all the roads in the State. There are other bad provisions in the bill but the above are enough to kill it with any body of cool headed, honest men.

### D. C. Keever Caught.

[Special to The Chronicle.]

NEWTON, Feb. 9.—D. C. Keever, of the firm of Keever and McCaslin of Keeverville, who were convicted at the July term of Catawba Superior court for burning their stores at Keeverville, in order to obtain the insurance, and who about four months ago skipped their bond and left their sureties in the lurch, has just been overtaken at Sherewell, Texas, by Detective Rice, who worked up the arson case against them. They are now on their way back, and are expected to arrive here tonight. Keever's whereabouts were discovered by following the movements of a woman named Workman to whom he had sent money with which to join him. His wife and six little children are at Keeverville in almost absolute want.

### "Bob" From Home.

Rev. R. A. Smyer, of Hickory, N. C., will preach at the Central Baptist Church, (colored) to-morrow night, services beginning at 8 o'clock.—Wilmington Star.

### Meeting of Hickory Fair Association.

This association will meet in Hickory, Saturday, Feb. 16, at 2 P. M. Let Farmers and everybody be on hand. S. E. KILLIAN, Secretary.

### Conover Items.

Winter has at last put in its appearance, bringing freezing weather and a nice little snow.

Prof. J. F. Moser's amputated arm is well. He has been teaching two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boyle will leave tomorrow to visit Mr. Boyle's relatives at Monro, Concord, etc., N. C. They expect, after returning, to start to Washington Ter. about the first of March. Mr. B. A. Hunsicker and family, and Mr. R. E. Moser and contemplating the same long journey.

Messrs. A. L. Bolick and Jacob Wike who were teaching have returned to school.

One of the current questions which is now being agitated among the citizens here, is that of getting the court house in Conover. That is certainly a move in the right direction. This, being the very centre of the county, and located so that its borders can be a most admirably extended without merging off into great ravines. This ought to have been first chosen for the county seat. Then since the railroads have been constructed through the county, many people wish to go to the county seat by rail, and if they would come here they would not have to pay 25 or 50 cts to get to the court house or else walk a half or three-quarters of a mile; and when business has been transacted, likely they will be just in time to be too late for the train to carry them home, thus being left for a twelve or twenty-four hour stay in town, when but few seconds would be necessary to go to the depot at Conover. Furthermore, Conover is not rendered almost inaccessible on account of almost insurmountable hills or impassably muddy roads. Then surely the mass of the citizens of Catawba county would be greatly benefited by the change. The petition asking that an election be ordered on the contemplated change of the county seat has been sent to headquarters. There are between a thousand and fifteen hundred petitioners.

We have noticed different and varying accounts of the sad affair which occurred here the night of Feb. 2. As for positive facts few are known. The man who was killed, Frank Braunan, was discovered by some of the train hands on the east bound train Sunday morning about sunrise, they reported it at Newton and a man came to see about it, he was found to be dead. The Coroner was sent for and got here about five p. m. The trial was had in the college chapel. It was proved that he had been at Jane Ekard's who dealt in mean liquor illegally. Jane swore "he left a few minutes before the west-bound Narrow Gauge," Saturday night, 9 P. M. The decision of the jury was that the train killed him.

Jane Ekard was tried for illegal traffic in liquor on Monday eve Feb. 4, and is now lodged in the same building that Geo. Huffman is occupying—county jail too good for such people. Her bond is \$150. She could get no one to go on her bond.

Mr. John Heffner formerly a pupil of Concordia College had to give up his school this winter on account of the loss of one of his eyes. It is thought that the only chance to save the other is to have the one taken out. W.

Feb. 11, 1889.  
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