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## AFTER MEDICINE MEN.

Property Levied on for Taxes for Which They Say They are Not Liable.

Several weeks ago representatives of the Standard Medicine Co. of Spartanburg, S. C. located here and began soliciting orders throughout the city and county.

There is a tax of \$200 on peddlers of medicine in this county. Sheriff Honeycutt attempted to collect the tax a few days ago and the men refused to pay the same. He immediately levied on two of their horses, buggies and harness, and advertised the same for sale for taxes July 30th. Mr. T. A. Adams, an attorney of Charlotte, representing the company, came over to Concord Monday afternoon and gave bond for double the amount of the taxes and the property was released.

The representatives of the company claim that they are not liable for the taxes and that they have a right to solicit orders for the medicine. They also claim that they do not delivered the goods at the time the sale is made but send the order to the house and deliver the goods at a later date. The county authorities allege that they keep the medicine at a certain place in this city and when they make a sale come back to the city and get the medicine and in a few days deliver it. The company contends that they have the same right to take orders for their goods that any other traveling salesman has, and for this reason they decline to pay the tax. They do not deny having a large stock of various kinds of medicine stored here, but they put forth the claim that they had already received orders for it. If the goods come here in bulk with the name of the purchaser on each separate purchase they would be liable, to the tax, but the county authorities claim that they do not do this, but ship it here altogether and go out and make the different sales and pretend that the order will be sent to the house, but instead of that they come here to their store room and get the goods.

The salesman of the company in this county have been doing a flourishing business. The following is an order which was filled by them for an old negro in the city, which was furnished one of the county officials while investigating the matter, 1 bottle of Life of the Blood, 1 bottle Digestive Compound, 1 bottle of Prunella, 1 bottle of Climax Colic Relief and 1 bottle of Buch's Compound. They also sell Jap Hairine, "77" and various kinds of liver wafers, tonics, etc. The representatives of the company intimated that they would fight to a finish any attempt to collect the tax.

## Mail Carrier Heglar Loses a Horse.

While Mr. W. H. Heglar was driving his family horse on his rural mail route last Saturday the animal got sick, and in 20 minutes after it fell near the Rocky River manse was dead. It was Mr. Heglar's driving horse, a sorrel. The horse showed signs of being sick at Mr. Ed. Ervin's, but got better. At Mr. Paul Stalling's it showed signs of sickness again. The animal began to stagger, and Mr. Heglar led him forward. When near the manse about ten minutes before 12 o'clock, the horse fell, and at ten minutes after 12 was dead. The animal was 8 years old, and was valued at \$200. His death was caused by sunstroke.

## Gave Life to Save Son.

To save the life of his son, which was imperiled by a mad team pulling a wagon, Robert L. Mills, a farmer and hero, who lived near Statesville, gave his own Monday afternoon. The father, in his effort to stop the runaway, was caught between a box car and the wagon and a few minutes later his dead and mangled body was taken from the wreckage. The distressing accident occurred near the passenger station, and was witnessed by the son and several bystanders, who were powerless to assist.

Advertised List at the Concord Post-office, July 18th, 1910.

## MEN.

Eldon Hasten, Bob Lewis, Alexander Martin, F. M. Patterson, L. V. Platt, Tom Williams.

## WOMEN.

Mrs. Victoria Dean, Mrs. J. J. Jefferson, Mrs. Nettie Ann Leffler, Mrs. Earley Sharpe, Mrs. George Smith. When calling for the above please say "Advertised."

M. L. BUCHANAN, Postmaster.

## Home News Away from Home.

Concord people who leave the city, either for a short or long stay—whether they go to mountain or seashore—should not fail to order The Daily Tribune sent to them by mail at 40 cents a month. It will come regularly, and the address will be changed as often as desired. It is the home news you will want while away from home.

## JESSE SKEEN.

A Character Sketch of a Worthy Man of Cabarrus.

In the last issue of The Uplift Mr. James P. Cook has the following true character sketch of the late Mr. Jesse Skeen, whose death occurred recently at his home in Mt. Pleasant:

Newspapers have made men out of sorry material; and they have destroyed men made out of good material.

The public prints herald to the furthest limits of the earth the achievements and the death of certain folks. The author, even of wicked books, has broad publicity when he comes to die. The sot, who brought terror to hundreds of hearts, goes down in death with newspaper song and praise and the murderer in the electric chair has his last words sent by wire to the ends of the earth.

But our victim of death was a plain man; he lived the simple life. He was a blacksmith, who gave to his occupation and trade a dignity that drew me, in my boyhood days, so forcibly that my young arms wanted and did "strike for him" because I loved to be with him. He loved the boy—he loved humanity. He did and could pull off with a nicety the hypocrisy of the vain and the false, but not a word of malice and not a sting. His heart was pure gold, and his soul was white. He was every inch a man. I am announcing the death recently at Mount Pleasant, North Carolina, of a man, who probably was not known by a hundred people outside of his community. But in that region every man, woman and child, white and black, knew him and esteemed him. He was just a plain, useful blacksmith with a heart overflowing with love for mankind. He lived a religion that touched mankind and this word, and rebounded as if of its own accord and registered for him "a well-done" in the heavens. He sought no office, no promotion, no notoriety, no popular favor—he only wanted to live a simple life and to do his honest part in making a community.

That man was Jesse Skeen, who reached almost four score years, and when he died no two people in the whole community could sit and whisper to each other any evil things he did—the good and kindness he did, swallowed up any weakness that may have appeared in his long life. He was the first man in the community to learn of the illness and distress of anybody—and he was the first man to go, tending his services. This man of whom I am writing has visited more sick and administered more doses of medicine than any man in North Carolina. He was not a doctor, neither was he a trained nurse, but he was as good a doctor as half of them and the best nurse I ever saw. That was his contribution to the common good. Don't you know that every normal person, if he fulfills what the creator intended, will have a work, the accomplishment of which means a betterment of mankind, and a work in which he has no pecuniary interest and which is primarily and absolutely unselfish?

To visit the sick, to render aid, and do it in season and out of season, without charge and without price, just for the love of it, to give his grand soul a pleasure, was the unselfish work of Jesse S. Skeen. God rest in peace this man, whose rough, hardened, busy hands have lifted the heads of more suffering people than any man in North Carolina, and ministered to their needs in the darkest hour. Oh, for thousands of Jesse Skeens.

## A Few Short Weeks.

Mr. J. S. Bartell, Edwardsville, Ill., writes: "A few months ago my kidneys become congested. I had severe backache and pain across the kidneys and hips. Foley's Kidney Pills rected the action of my kidneys. This was brought about after my using them only a few short weeks. I can cheerfully recommend them."—Cabarrus Drug Co.

At Fishers this week one of many stocking values is a \$1.00 silk stocking for 69 cents. See new ad on last page.

## NEWS FROM MT. PLEASANT.

Dr. Moose Has a Freak—Damage by Lightning—Prof. S. J. Ludwig Goes to Albemarle—Other Notes.

Dr. A. W. Moose is laying the foundation for an interesting museum. The latest specimen to be added to his collection is an eight-legged kitten. Eight feet are perfectly formed and look like they were intended for use instead of preservation in alcohol. This freak was donated by Mr. L. A. Lips.

A moving picture man stretched his canvass in the Auditorium Saturday night. The usual run of old time films were shown but the Jeffries-Johnson fight was not in evidence. As to the latter film, Mayor Shupp has not yet committed himself as to what will be the legal view of displaying it here. In view of the fact, however, that the little Reno fight has been produced a hundred times over by small Jeffries and small Johnsons, both white and black, on the streets and about the mills, the original film will not likely be suppressed.

The lightning last Thursday night struck one of the tenant houses, occupied by Steve Williams, on Mr. W. R. Kindley's Shankle place. The bolt struck the stove flue, ran down into the cook stove and completely demolished it. The chimney at the opposite end of the house was also partially knocked down. Fortunately no one was at home.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church gave an ice cream supper on the church lawn last Friday night from which they realized a neat little sum to help along their work.

Mr. Chas. Thayer is home for a few days from an extended trip through South Carolina and Georgia. Mr. Thayer is an expert gin sharpener, using the machine invented by his father which has been pronounced a wonder by machinists.

Prof. D. B. Welsh is spending a week at Davis Springs, Hiddenite.

Misses Katie Barrier and Lillian Cline have returned from the summer school at the University.

Mr. J. Y. McEachern has resigned his position at Mr. C. G. Heilig's where he has been for a number of years. Mr. McEachern has not yet fully decided upon his next position.

Mrs. J. P. Miller and daughter, Miss Grace, are visiting relatives at Newton.

Miss Elma Welsh spent Sunday with her mother in Charlotte.

Miss Ethel Corzine left Friday night for Egypt, Ga., to spend a fortnight with her school mate, Miss Claudia Kiefer.

Mr. Lee Foil spent Sunday in Charlotte, going over in his motor car.

Mr. S. J. Ludwig has been elected a teacher in Albemarle graded schools. Inasmuch as the election came unsolicited on the part of Prof. Ludwig as well as unexpected, he has not decided whether or not he will accept.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Barrier are spending a few days with Mr. Barrier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Barrier.

Mt. Pleasant, July 19.

## Col. Brown the Only One This Time.

News and Observer. In the past fifty-two years, three Democratic State Conventions have been held in this city. There was only one delegate here today who was in attendance fifty-two years ago, two years ago, and today. That delegate is Col. James N. Brown, of Cabarrus county. He served in the Mexican war and in the Confederate army and is a fine type of the real, old fashioned Democrat, who clings to "the ancient landmarks which the fathers have set." He received a glad welcome and hearty greetings on all sides. At the convention here in 1908 there were three other delegates who were here in 1858—Elder P. D. Gold, of Wilson, then a lawyer of Cleveland county; Col. Roger Gregory, of Greenville, and Capt. W. T. Everett, of Rockingham. Only Col. Brown of the four veterans was here in the flesh, but I doubt not that all were present in the spirit.

See The Times for Job Printing.

## SAD TRAGEDY IN OXFORD.

Young Man Fires Upon His Step-Mother and Then Kills Himself.

Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Oxford Otis Brown, 21 years old, shot his step-mother in a fit of anger, and then killed himself.

Panic-stricken relatives and friends lifted Mrs. Brown from a pool of her own blood and summoned medical assistance. She had a bullet just above her heart, having passed through the left arm and lodged near the heart. The bullet was extracted, and it is said Mrs. Brown will recover.

Mr. J. S. Brown died several years ago and left his estate, which was valued at \$40,000, to Mrs. Brown during her life time, having the utmost confidence in her ability to manage and take care of the estate. She has been generous and kind in advancing money to young Otis Brown, who was just a little over 21. Having advanced him \$100 lately, she was slow to pay over the demand he made Monday and in a fit of irritation the tragedy followed.

## Miss Yerton Entertains.

In honor of her guests, Misses Addie Klutz and Mamie Marshall, of Concord, Miss Ollie Yerton, of Harrisburg, delightfully entertained a number of her friends at her country home Saturday evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. Dainty and delightful refreshments were served, and the young people enjoyed the occasion very much. Those invited were: Misses Addie Klutz and Mamie Marshall, of Concord; Annie McKinley, of Augusta, Ga.; Mary Alexander, Lena Taylor, Evie Oglesby, Lula Barbee, Winnie Yerton; Messrs. Wirt Oglesby, DeWitt Morrison, Charles and Louis Alexander, Ira Taylor, Walter Turner and Tom Roe Query, of Harrisburg.

On the body of Frank Mills, a young farmer, who was killed by lightning near Lancaster, South Carolina, a few days ago those who were preparing the body for burial found imprinted a perfect picture of a tree under which he was standing when he was killed by the bolt. The outlines of the tree are perfectly depicted, even to the smaller branches.

## 300,000 CROSS TIES.

The Dukes Make Big Order From Greensboro Firm.

Greensboro News, 19th.

A contract of great significance was settled in this city Saturday between the promoters of the Duke trolley line project and a large local lumber firm, when the latter received an order from the Dukes for 300,000 crossties. The significance of the contract lies in the fact that it may mean the beginning of construction at an early date of a trolley system between the two Carolinas.

For a time this project has been at a standstill, to the public at least, but it seems that below the surface, "far from the maddening crowd's ignoble strife," there has been something doing—the unconquerable determination of the Dukes to push through any business project they once begin has been at work.

Several months ago it was given out the building of the line between North and South Carolina was an assured fact, but during the interval since the announcement the proposed line has been nearly lost to the public mind. Some who were most interested in the project had feared that it had failed.

However, when the enormous contract for 300,000 crossties was made with a local lumber firm on Saturday, hope was immediately rekindled, anyone of sound reason realizing that no corporation, however wealthy or powerful, could afford to buy crossties in that manner just for the fun of the thing. With this most recent development the people may now be assured of the trolley line, which will be more powerful toward opening up and developing certain districts and rural sections along the route than any other enterprise, and which will act as rapid transit for freight and passengers.

Sunday School Convention of No. 2 Township.

The Sunday School Convention of No. 2 township will be held at Pitt's school house August 3, 1910. All the schools and pastors in the township are invited to be present and take part in the exercises. A choir from each school is expected to be present and help with the music. Ice water free. Everybody invited.

W. J. McLAUGHLIN, Pres.

## STATE NEWS.

The H. State Library contest in 1912 by nominating Governor Kitchin a successor to Senator Simmons in a double column editorial of high commendation and warm praise. Beloved, why not let that 1912 contest be deferred until 1917?

The recent democratic congressional convention of the tenth district was held in Asheville on the 13th day of the month. It was in session thirteen hours. It was composed of delegates from thirteen counties. The Asheville Gazette-News offers these facts as possibly explaining the disorderly nature of the convention.

Last week at the dairy farm of Mr. A. A. Privet, on the outskirts of Wilson, Albert Green, a negro helper, while bending over a watering trough, was gored by an enraged bull. He was carried by the enraged animal a distance of ten feet on his horns and dashed to the ground and his life is despaired of.

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