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Town and County

NEWSPAPER LAW.

Below we give the United States Postal Laws relating to newspapers and subscribers:

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodical the publisher may continue sending them until all arrearages are paid.

3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed they are held responsible until they have settled their bill and ordered them discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to another place and fail to inform the publisher, and the papers are sent in the former direction, they are held responsible.

5. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber.

6. If subscribers pay in advance they are bound to give notice to the publishers at the end of their term if they do not wish to continue taking it; otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it on and the subscriber is responsible until express notice is sent to the publisher.

7. The new postal law is in force and it is a penal offense to refuse to pay for a newspaper and the publisher may be imprisoned for it.

T. J. Coffey & Bro. will buy the highest market price for 500 cords of tan-bark.

Rev. I. W. Thomas will preach in the Baptist church here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Shell & Mast have nearly 3,000 bushels of wheat at \$1 per bushel, and stone-ware of every description at 10c a gallon.

See J. B. Clarke's announcement and watch out next week he will give you some "pints" about things that will open your eyes.

J. P. Henson, of Dark Ridge says he is making no great fuss, but that he is selling goods so low that it puts these high-priced merchants in a wonderfully big hurry.

We will publish this summer a sketch of the action of the 37th North Carolina Regiment, which will be compiled from notes taken during the war by an accurate and truthful gentleman.

See J. B. Phillips & Son's new double column advertisement. They have a first-class stock of goods and are certainly selling cheap enough to please any body who is willing to pay for them at all.

Who can beat him? Mr. P. Council, of Vilas, N. C., is just sheared from FOUR hundred sheep fifty-seven and one-half pounds of wool, an average of 14 1/2 pounds to the sheep. How is that for wool?

We should like to have the names and post-office address of all who have left Watauga for the west. The friends of those who left will do the DEMOCRAT a great favor by sending us the same.

On our way from Burke last week we spent a very pleasant night with our old friend D. D. Coffey, of Collettsville, one of the cleverest gentlemen in Caldwell or any other county. The man who visits Mr. Coffey and sees his beautiful and bountiful home, one of the best and best located places in all the country, and then sees in the Topic

that Mr. Coffey proposes to sell this place, finds himself a little surprised and concludes that he is surely joking. We do not believe Mr. Coffey could better himself, even if he had pick and choice of the wonderful Oklahoma lands.

We noticed in the Globe many indications of improvement. W. C. Moore, one of the best men and best workmen we know, has made many improvements about his mills and will build Mr. Pink Moore a fine house soon. James Moore, of Gastonia, has settled for a short time in the Globe, at the Reubin Estes place, and is hard at work. Messrs Hall & Leach are opening a new store at Mr. Fog Estes', where they propose to sell good and buy and distill Mountain tea.

Prof. Marshall closes a very prosperous term of his school Friday week with an entertainment, to which, all are invited. While there are many indications of thrift and improvement in the Globe, it must not be understood that any part of this is found in the roads. They are bad. Some of the fords of Johns River have so many large rocks in them, that if the water could be taken out, few would risk their lives to ride over them. This road should be taken away from the river.

MORGANTON.

For the last forty years Morganton has stood still and seen other towns build up around her and take the trade she was entitled to.

Not for want of moneyed men, (for Morganton always had men of means) but for want of public spirited men of push Morganton has failed to move. For example; Morganton is situated several miles nearer Boone than Hickory is, and if she had interested herself in a road to Boone as Hickory did, might and would have had the Watauga trade, which did much, and still does much toward making Hickory one of the most prosperous and desirable towns in the western part of the State—a town which builds so fast that any one who does not see it for a few months hardly recognizes it, so many new houses have gone up. And all this time Morganton has been hanging on to her own, letting nothing get away and adding very little. And notwithstanding Morganton seems to have taken on new life in these latter days, she still appears dead to her interests in some respects. The town is situated almost, if not quite, in sight of Mitchell county, one of the richest in the State and yet no road connects Morganton with Mitchell.

Morganton has not only not cultivated the acquaintance, the friendship and the trade of adjoining counties, but in some respects has neglected to cultivate even her own county. For example; Morganton has had two hotels ever since we knew the town (and its the first one we ever knew,) we stopped at one of these hotels last Court, and notwithstanding this was Court week, with hundreds of country people in town, there were not five of them stopped at this hotel. And it could not have been because the hotel was not well kept. It was not this, it was due to the fact that no effort was

made to draw country custom. Most hotels in country towns give special rates to country men. The hotels in Boone, while probably not better, are equally as good as those of Morganton and have the disadvantage of having their groceries to haul 50 miles, yet they are glad to furnish a meal to a country man for 25c, while in Morganton the price is 50c. The result is that three-fourths of all the country people who attend our Courts go to the hotels and get their dinners, while in Morganton not one tenth do so. Would not the hotels of Morganton make more money, do more towards uniting town and county and developing both, to keep 50 men through Court at \$1 a day or 25c a meal than to keep 8 or 10 men at \$2 a day or 50c a meal?

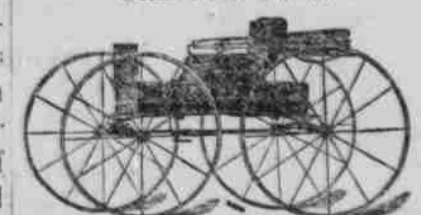
But westward out to speak of some of the indications of better days for Morganton. Within the last few years, this town seems to have waked up and taken on new life, the business has more than doubled, and on last Monday they voted, almost unanimously, to issue bonds for improving the town. Everything points to an era of development to which Morganton has heretofore been a stranger. Let the good work go on.

A Trip Through Wilkes.

Editor DEMOCRAT. With much pleasure I make the following statement:

While on my way from Taylorsville to your beloved little town, after a fatigue of twenty miles, over a pretty rough road, I reached the magnificent building and handsomely arranged store of Mr. L. E. Davis, of Lewis Fork, N. C. He is quite an enterprising gentleman and has a fine stock of general merchandise, which is very systematically carried on by his commendable clerk, Mr. R. M. Jones, whom I met with fond remembrance, and must say that his genteel manners and kind hospitality left an unfading impression, which will long be remembered by the writer. Mr. Davis has just completed an elegant two story dwelling constructed by that splendid workman, Mr. J. L. Kincaid, who needs no commendation to those who know him. Mr. Davis is undoubtedly thinking of the railroad which will soon be completed from Winston to Wilkesboro, then through Watauga she will go like a whirl. That's right, build and be ready for the coming tide and for the accommodation of all who may call. Wilkes is certainly on a boom. The people all seem to mean business, and are working with great energy. So let us all do likewise and we will reap our pleasures in the golden harvest of a hale old age.

Worth & Lillard. CRESTON N. C.



I have on hand vehicles of our own make, and more in process of manufacture. All for sale at very close prices—quality considered. Repairing and jobs made to order a speciality. Respectfully, Thomas J. Lillard, Surviving Partner. d.—May 3rd.

LOOK

OUT!!

Shell & Mast

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BOOTS, SHOES, AND A

General line of Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Oils, Paints, Putty, Glass, Coal Oil, Spices, Druggist's Groceries, Crockery, Glassware.

Ready-Made Clothing,

And many other articles too tedious to mention all of which have been selected with care, and bought at

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Thinking the people for their liberal patronage, and hoping, by fair dealings, to merit a

CONTINUENCE of the same.

We are very Respectful yours, Shell & Mast Mast N. C. 6 mo.—May the 8th.

J. P. ROBBINS,

—SUCCESSOR TO— Robbins Bros, Shell's Mills N. C.

Keeps constantly on hand, and will sell at "Rock Bottom Prices," for CASH or COUNTRY produce, such as Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c. A special line of

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Your friend, J. P. Robbins.

J. F. MORPHEW, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Marion, N. C.

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T. J. Coffey & Bro.

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GOODS

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We Also Deal in Live

STOCK

We have in connection with our other business a

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AND TANNERY

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the Climate is un-

surpassed in the

STATE.

We keep the SCHOOL BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AT LIST PRICES. T. J. Coffey & Bro June 7, 1888, 1y.

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T. B. FINLEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Wilkesboro, N. C. June 25th 88, 1y.

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