

The Watauga Democrat

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Capt. Edward F. Lovill.

This prominent gentleman has received the appointment of Special Land Examiner and left on yesterday for Minnesota, by way of Washington, D. C. As this is the first appointment ever made to an office outside of the State to any citizen of this whole mountain section, we feel almost as proud as if it was a Cabinet position. Capt. Lovill has a most honorable record both in war and peace, and deserves even a much better place than he has received. He entered the Confederate service at the age of nineteen years, as a private, and was Captain of his Co. before the end of the first year. He took part in nearly all of the great battles fought by the Army of Northern Virginia, being severely wounded in the battles of Gettysburg, Reams Station and Jones' Farm. In the latter engagement he was pierced through both thighs with a minie ball, and as he was being borne from the field by four men, two of them were shot dead and the other two wounded. Recovering from his wounds, he was in command of his regiment when it surrendered at Appomattox. This is a brief resume of the war record made by our gallant Captain.

Capt. Lovill came to Watauga in the year 1874, and has therefore mingled with us for the past nineteen years, and we doubt very much if he has a personal enemy in the county. Since he came among us, he has been the nominee of the democratic party for the Legislature four times, and was successful in three of the contests. He has made a faithful representative of the people. He took a very active part in the proceedings of the last session of the Legislature, and as a member of the Railroad Committee was largely instrumental in forcing the Wilmington & Weldon Rail Road Co. to surrender their exemption from taxation, by which the vast sum of eleven millions of dollars worth of property was added to the tax list of the State, with three years back taxes on the same, evidently the most important piece of legislation since the war. Capt. Lovill is a shrewd and astute politician, a safe and conservative lawyer, a good neighbor and citizen, and we very much regret his absence from the State.

The continued drought in parts of Europe has cut the harvest short and very hard times are anticipated in France, Germany and England. Some of these sections have had no rain for several weeks. Also in India the wheat crop is estimated to be 35,000,000 bushels short. The American farmers will have to feed these great sections to a large extent, and if they can keep out of the shackles of the trusts and combines they will be enabled to get a handsome price for their farm products. There will doubtless be a great demand on the crops of the American farmer, perhaps greater than has ever been known.

PRESIDENT Cleveland aims to do right, and will in the end, no doubt. He has a way of his own, and we are rather glad he has, but if his way does not suit his party and people how does he expect to hold the people to his way of thinking, unless it turns out that his way is the best? If the President divides his party and a great family war gets organized, what will be the consequences. The first step the President made by appointing Judge Gresham to a Cabinet position, was being overlooked and the people quit saying anything about it, but his disposition to retain republicans in office is causing severe criticisms from his hitherto strong supporters. Our democratic people are restless, they want a change; they want the old radical dynasty deposed all along the line. This is why they turned out in great force on that memorable day in November and voted; this is why Grover Cleveland was elected by the greatest majority by the democratic hosts, believing at the time this nation would be redeemed. Now let us look at the matter calmly. Cleveland has not yet been in office three months. Look at the great amount of business of greater importance to be looked after; the great financial question; the treasury of the country depleted and a burden of debt overhanging the country, and a great financial crash imminent. Had we not better rest easy for a few more months as regards appointments, than to urge so strongly the less important duty of "turning the rascals out." Grover Cleveland will do his whole duty if you will give him time. Do not kill him now by over-taxing him. Our State has no right to complain. She is "getting there" very well indeed and ought not to complain. Let us all sustain the President in his supreme efforts to carry on the workings of this huge country to the best possible advantage.

POSTMASTER GENERAL Bissell is getting soundly abused now-a-days over his ruling by which republican post masters are retained. To be sure none of us old line democrats look with much complacency upon the ruling of our Post Master General, for in many instances we see the need of a change. We have some honest, capable post masters who are republicans and do their duty. Of this class we have no fault to find. We here have reference to the small fourth class offices. The presidential offices ought to be changed and so ought the smaller ones when there is an incompetent person like some we could name holding over. After the rush of business is over in the various departments, we have no doubt but matters will be properly arranged and everybody will become harmonious and feel better all along the line. But we acknowledge that it is somewhat unsuited to our taste for us democrats to elect all the office holders from President down to constable and then let the republicans hold over and keep us out. It is somewhat humiliating we confess.

The Episcopal Convention of the State has been in session since the 18th. An assistant Bishop is to be chosen. The extreme age of Bish-

op Lyman disqualifies him from a continuation of his labors, and must be relieved from his excessive labors by the election of an assistant.

From Farmington, Washington.
Editor Democrat:

If you will kindly give me space, I'll give you a few more lines from this part of the "wild and woolly" west. Farmers are under good head way with their spring work. This has been an unusually late spring, for I find, as a general rule, a greater portion of the seeding is done by the middle of this month, but I hardly think it is half through at present. The greater portion of the low lands are not sufficiently dried to allow plowing yet, and perhaps it will be some days yet before it can all be plowed. Although the weather is nice and warm at present, and the land drying out very fast, if the usual amount of seeding can be done, the farmers are anticipating an abundant yield, but perhaps there will be a little shortage in the amount of seeding, owing to the unusual quantity of rain that has fallen for the past few weeks. But there can be an immense quantity of wheat sown in a very short time. The farming here is all done with machinery. The plows are heavy, and cut broad, deep furrows. A few sulkey plows, with from four to six horses hooked on to them will cut lots of land in a few days. The seeders are from ten to twelve feet in width. With all their improved implements and plenty of sunshine, makes farming very nice here. There are no rocks or roots to bother, and as a whole, there is very little about the work here to make a man "cuss" if he will work anywhere without "cussing," although the most of the men here, and especially the men who work for wages, seem to be experts in, what they seem to think, the three greatest requirements of a regular, all-in-all, genuine "gentleman", to wit: smoke, chew and "cuss," and these three seem to reign supreme with a majority of the people. But, of course, there are some good people here, as square up, straight-forward, business men as there will be found anywhere, and occasionally you will find one who claims to be "on the Lord's side," but I cannot say as to that. But I am of the opinion that a sinner and a christian in this country would be hard to distinguish one from the other. But for fear some one will think the devil has his head-quarters here, I will say it is not altogether as rough as it might be, and 'c take it all in all, I believe this portion of the United States is as fine a farming country as can be found in Grover's dominion.

C. R. NORRIS.

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The Oxford Orphan Asylum is greatly overcrowded. There are now under its shelter 232 children, while its accommodations are only intended for 200. This year no less than ninety applicants for admission have been rejected. The building ought to be enlarged, and the *Advertiser* asks why it is that no wealthy North Carolinians give while alive, or bequeath money to such an institution?

The cold weather during May has injured all growing crops. Reports from Raleigh say that cotton is dying on many farms. On the 18th and 19th there was frost. Then cold rain and chilly weather, so much so that fires were necessary to keep the people comfortable.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a deed of trust executed to me by A. D. Cowles, and wife, Amelia Cowles, on the 8th day of September, 1888: and in obedience to a decree of the Superior Court of Ashe county made at spring term, 1893, I will sell to the highest bidder the lands belonging to the said A. D. Cowles in the counties of Ashe, Wilkes and Watauga, at the following times and places in said counties:

At the court house in Jefferson, N. C., on Monday, June the 5th, 1893, the following tracts of land lying in Ashe county:

1st tract—known as the Wiley Presnell lands on Gap creek, adjoining Jacob Setzer, C. J. Cowles and others, containing 50 acres.

2nd tract—the Larkin Phillips land, on Pine Swamp, adjoining C. J. Cowles and William Phillips containing 20 acres.

3rd tract—known as the Hopkins land adjoining Calvin J. Cowles, Jacob Setzer and others, containing 150 acres.

4th tract—on the South Fork of New River, at the mouth of cranberry creek, adjoining Jas. Scott, Jacob Setzer and others, containing some 30 or 40 acres.

5th tract—the lands purchased from C. M. HUNT, near Phillips' Gap on the Blue Ridge.

At the court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C., on Wednesday June 7th, 1893, the following lands lying in the county of Wilkes:

1st tract—on the waters of Lewis' Fork, adjoining the old Martin Lipp tract and the Joel Ferguson tract and others, containing 42 acres.

2nd tract—on the South side of the Blue Ridge, adjoining J. C. Harton, Chap Green and others containing 25 acres.

3rd tract on meadow branch, waters of Lewis' fork, adjoining C. J. Cowles, A. M. church and others, containing 50 acres.

4th tract—on the south side of the blue ridge, adjoining Wm. Blackburn, Joseph Colway and others, containing 250 acres.

5th tract—the Jordan church lands, on the waters of Lewis' fork, adjoining the lands of C. J. Cowles and others, containing 100 acres.

6th tract—on the blue ridge, near Phillips' gap, adjoining the lands of C. S. Hunt, Edmund Blackburn and others, containing 200 acres.

At the court house in Boone, N. C., on Saturday, June the 10th, 1893, the following lands lying in the county of Watauga:

1st tract—known as the park ridge tract on, Beech mountain, containing 100 acres.

2nd tract—known as the Lambert lands, on grassy creek, adjoining George Phillips and others, containing 20 acres.

3rd tract—in the deep gap of the blue ridge, containing 30 acres.

4th tract—on Elk creek (hog elk), known as the Carrol lands, containing 50 acres.

Said lands to be sold to satisfy various outstanding claims against the said A. D. Cowles and secured by said deed of trust.

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