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—BOONE, N. C.—

Will give special attention
to abstracts of title, the sale
of Real Estate in W. N. C.
Those having farms, timber
and mineral lands for sale,
will do well to call on said Co.
at Boone.

L. L. GREEN & CO.
March 16, 1893.

NOTICE.
Hotel Property for Sale.
On account of failing health
of myself and wife, I offer for sale
my hotel property in the town of
Boone, North Carolina, and will
sell low for cash and make terms
to suit the buyer, and will take
real or personal property in ex-
change. Apply soon.
W. L. BRYAN.

NOTICE.
Parties putting papers in
my hand for execution will
please advance the fees with
the papers and they will re-
ceive prompt attention, other-
wise they will be returned
not executed for the want of
fees.
D. F. BAIRD SHEFF.

FOR SALE!

In the town of Boone, a com-
fortable dwelling house with
6 rooms and five fire places,
with nine acres of land, good
spring, some apple, peach and
chestnut trees, situated some
300 yards from Main street.
It is a desirable private resi-
dence. The place will be sold
cheap on terms to suit the
purchaser. For further par-
ticulars apply to I. W. Thom-
as, Hibriten, N. C., or W. B.
Councill, Boone, N. C.

OUR STATE.

North Carolina Facts and Statistics.
Number of counties, 96.
State area, 52,286 square
miles.

Extreme length is 603 1/2
miles.

Extreme breadth is 187 1/2
miles.

Number of electoral votes,
11.

Number of cotton factor-
ies, 160.

Length of coast line is 314
miles.

Area Dismal Swamp, 150,
000 acres.

Number of miles of rail-
road, 3,570.

Island steamboat naviga-
tion, 900 miles.

Total population (census
1890), 1,617,047.

White population (census
1890), 1,049,191.

Colored population (census
1890), 567,170.

Indian population (census
1890), 1,671.

Total water-power, 3,500,
000 horse-power.

Average mean annual rain-
fall, 52 inches.

Western boundary—longi-
tude 81 degrees, 45, 20.

Average winter tempera-
ture, 43 degrees Fahrenheit.

The highest point is Mitch-
ell's Peak, 6,888 feet.

Number of bales of cotton
consumed, 147,683.

Assessed value of railway
property, \$23,654,335.74.

Deaths by consumption,
1.05 per 1,000 of State popu-
lation.

Number of boats engaged
in general fisheries, about
3,000.

Limit of State and country
taxes, 66 2/3 cents. Limit to
poll tax, \$2.

Area of largest country
(Brunswick) is 950 square
miles.

Area of smallest country
(New Hanover) is 80 square
miles.

The highest town in the
State is Boone, in Watauga
county, 3,250 feet.

Mean annual temperature
at Raleigh, 60 degrees; Flo-
rence, Italy, 59 degrees.

Highest point of Smoky
mountain range is Cling-
man's Dome, 6,660 feet.

Value of real and personal
property, land stock and
railroads is \$262,896,816.

Legal rate of interest, 6
per cent.; by contract, 8 per
cent.; usury forfeits interest.

Mean annual winter tem-
perature of Raleigh, 44 de-
grees; Florence, Italy, 44 de-
grees.

State, congressional and
presidential elections Tues-
day after first Monday in No-
vember.

The highest point of Blue
Ridge mountains in the State
is Grandfather mountain, 5,
897 feet.

The average date of the first
killing frost is Oct. 10th; and
the last killing frost in spring
is in April.

Public school system adop-
ted 1840. At present there are
4,168 white and 1,192 colored
school houses. School age
6 to 21 years.

The census of the children
of school age is, whites, 386,
560; colored, 211,696; total,
208,256. Enrollment, white,
215,910; colored, 110,441.

The grand total of receipts
for public schools for the year
ending June 30, 1892, is
\$775,440.63, the total expen-
ditures for the same period
are \$760,991.04.

The death penalty is only
inflicted for murder, arson,
burglary and rape, the Gen-
eral Assembly having power
to abolish it in all cases if
deemed advisable.

Married women retain all
their real and personal prop-
erty exempt from the debts
of their husbands. Liens of
mechanics and laborers for
their work are required.

Legislature, biennial in old
numbered years, meeting on
Wednesday after the first Mon-
day in January. Limit of ses-
sion 60 days. Terms of Sen-
ators and Representatives 2
years each. Pay \$4 per day.

Homesteads are allowed to
the amount of \$1,000 value
and personal property to the
amount of \$500. The home-
stead is not only exempt dur-
ing the life of owner, but af-
ter death during the minority
of any of his children, and
also during the widowhood
of his wife.

Snapshots From the Messenger.

Florida is shipping oranges
by the millions. The crop is
immense.

The vote in Va. was small-
less than 200,000. Five years
ago it was 289,000.

Young Stevenson, son of
the Vice President, mar-
ried an Illinois girl recently.

It is most extraordinary
speed that the new American
cruiser Columbia made, near-
ly thirty miles in one hour.
It has no rival.

Mr. Ferris lost money on
his great wheel. It cost \$362
000. Receipts only show the
sum of \$300,000. How the
papers lied about the profits.

There were \$36,044,043
more exports than imports
in October from this country.
It is an increase of more
than \$20,000,000 over Oct.
1892.

Representative McMillan fa-
vors putting a tax on whis-
key of one dollar a gallon.
Tax the luxuries, cigars, cigar-
ettes, snuff, tobacco and beer
and all luxuries.

The legislature in Virginia
is democratic with the excep-
tion of twelve members. But
one opposition member in the
Senate and he is a very lone-
some Populist.

A crank woman is very
anxious to meet Pres. Cleve-
land, and a murderously in-
spired crank is armed to kill
the governor of Indiana.
These fools should be dealt
with by the authorities with-
out delay.

The latest from Brazil is
that Admiral Mello, of the
Brazilian fleet in rebellion,
has proclaimed the late Em-
peror Dom Pedro's son,
Prince Pierre Louis Philippe,
Emperor. But what will the
people say to this?

Rep. Bourke Cockran, of
New York City, is down like
a thousand of brick on an in-
come tax. He says it is a vi-
cious principle. It is always
wrong in the eyes of the Mon-
ey Bags to touch the ingots
and sheekles.

The President Thinking of the Party.

Messrs. Hargis, Don, M.
Dickinson and Josiah Quin-
cey, members of the National
Democratic Executive Com-
mittee held a conference with
Mr. Cleveland today on the
general question of the dem-
ocratic policy of the future,
going over the whole ground
involving the Congressional
election next fall and the pol-
icy of the administration,
which will form the policy of
the party in the next Presi-
dential election. The first
question discussed was there-
cent elections, and the man-
ifest judgment of all pres-
ent, including the President,
that the party policy was not
involved in these elections
and should not in any way
be influenced by the result.

The general idea, in which
all concurred, was, that the
issues in the election of 1892
would still hold in the com-
ing congressional elections
with out modification or
change, and that the tariff
policy would be maintained
and the sustaining of this
policy would be the principal
issue in the campaign.

It was held that the nation-
al policy of the party was not
involved in the matter and
that there was nothing in
them to discourage the belief
that the democratic party
would still hold its strength
with the people on the issues
made in 1892. It is under-
stood that they had before
them an outline of the work
that is being done by the
ways and means committee
of the House, and that with
a very few suggestions for mi-
nor changes the work was ap-
proved of by all of them, and
it was made very clear that
the whole strength of the ad-
ministration would be exerted
to assist in carrying thro'
Congress a tariff bill which
would accord with the demo-
cratic declaration in their
last national platform. There
was no doubt or hesitancy
on this subject whatever, the
opinion of all being that the
strength of the party would
lie in that issue.

The Hawaii question is
said to have been touched
on, but on this there was a
difference of opinion and it
was not regarded as an issue
to be pressed in the future
campaign.—Washington Star

That was a terrible death
the Spanish Consul, Don Car-
los Diaz, had in Baltimore.
Frenzied and naked nee him-
self from his room in sight of
pedestrians, for a moment
stood upon a little cornice
sixty feet above the pave-
ment, and then with a wild
shriek plunged into the air
and fell at the feet of the spec-
tators crushed and mangled.
His mind had been disorder-
ed for some time.

It is said to be true that
Mr. Gladstone will make Lew
is Morris successor of Tenny-
son to the Laureateship of
England. That would be an
instance of eternal unfairness.
As some one said, it is not
the poet Morris (William)
but the other fellow of that
name who is to be crowned
and all because he is a liberal
in politics. That is indeed a

thing to be proud of, but it
is a poet who is needed. Lew-
is writes verse by the peck
measure.

An Aged Squaw.

Living in a little hut situa-
ted on the shore of Chana-
tanque Lake is a woman who
is deserving of more than a
passing notice. She is a full
blooded Apache Indian and
has passed her 100th birth-
day, and is still as active as
a woman not more than half
her age. Her name is Sophia
Paul. Between twelve and
fifteen years ago she went
there with her daughter and
took up her abode. The cou-
ple had a little means and
they bought a small tract of
land, large enough to supply
them with the necessities of
life, and there they have liv-
ed ever since.

The aged woman has full
possession of her faculties
and does not require spec-
tacles in order to see distinct-
ly. Like the majority of her
tribe, however, she is stoical,
but rarely ill-humored. Man-
y go from Lakewood to see
Mrs. Paul each season. She
realizes that she is an object
of interest and is always
pleased to see callers. Many
a silver quarter and half dol-
lar is left in some conspicu-
ous place before the visitors
depart, and this with the aid
of what can be wrung from
the soil, provides the pair
with a comfortable living.—
Dunkirk (N. Y.) Herald.

An Industrial Revolution.

A Mrs. Joshua S. Palmer,
of Portland, Me., has discov-
ered an important industrial
process in a very extraordi-
nary way. Mrs. Palmer has
long been known to possess
some extraordinary occult
powers. It is said that she
can take a scrap of any per-
son's hand writing in her
hand, or a bit of his clothing,
or any subject intimately as-
sociated with him, and at
once give an accurate de-
scription of his personal ap-
pearance, mental qualities,
and more or less of his his-
tory. She can take any ob-
ject in her hand and describe
the place whence it came and
the association connected
with it. This remarkable
faculty has been known to
Mrs. Palmer's intimate
friends for years and they
have delighted in testing it.
One day her husband gave
her a bit of dried wood pulp.
She had never seen any be-
fore and did not know what
it was, but she at once de-
scribed its nature and the
processes through which it
had passed. Not only that,
but she perceived a simpler
and cheaper process by which
it could be made, and being
something of a chemist she
proceeded to experiment with
it. Whatever may be thought
of the manner in which she
arrived at the discovery, it
appears to be a very valuable
one, and a company has been
organized in Bangor, with
a capital of \$400,000, to
manufacture wood pulp ac-
cording to Mrs. Palmer's
method.

One dollar pays for the
Democrat one year.

Eloped on a Steer.

PAKESBURG, W. Va.,
Thursday morning a couple
appeared in Welch, McDowell
county. They were Miss
Coats, a pretty, peachy-cheek-
ed country damsel of 17, and
Sandy Johnson, a tall, stal-
wart, good-looking moun-
taineer of 22 years. They
had traveled all night from
the bride's home on Ground
Hog creek, in order to elude
the obdurate father of the
girl. The girl was riding on
the back of a spotted steer,
and Sandy was running by
her side. The unusual sight
soon drew a crowd of people,
and as everybody loves a lov-
er, half a dozen hurried off af-
ter a magistrate or a preach-
er. Unluckily for the lovers
no official could be found who
would marry them, on ac-
count of the girl's age.
When the couple learned of
this they both broke down
and cried, the girl sobbing
if nearly heartbroken.

The tears of the pretty
young girl brought about a
determination on the part of
the spectators to see them
through in some way, and
one suggested that they take
the train, then nearly due, for
Bristol, Tenn., where they
would find no difficulty in get-
ting married. This proposi-
tion changed the tears of the bride
into smiles of joy and Sandy's
less apparent grief into open-
mouthed delight for a mom-
ent, until he thought of the
expense. Some one in the
crowd, however, anticipated
the young man, and propos-
ed that the crowd pay all
expenses, and in less time
than it takes to write it
pocketbooks were out and
enough money was contrib-
uted to carry the couple
through, with a souvenir left
for the bride.

The spotted steer was stall-
ed in front of a pile of oats
and corn to ruminate in
peace and plenty until the re-
turn of the couple, and the
procession headed for the
platform. Neither of the
couple had ever seen the
train before, and when it pul-
led in they got on the plat-
form between the engine and
baggage car. Their spon-
sors soon remedied this mis-
take and had them conduct-
ed into a ladies' car, where
the conductor was expressly
charged to see them safely
through. The last seen of
Carrie and Sandy as the
train was whirling out of
sight they were folded in each
other's arms, laughing and
straining their eyes as they
looked out of the window.

Special. On Dec. 5th,
1893, I will sell for cash to
the highest bidder at Blow-
ing Rock, N. C., over \$2,000
worth of personal property,
to wit: 75 bedsteads with
springs and bedding; 24 bu-
reaus, 42 wash stands, over
250 chairs, one piano, one
parlor suite, one stove, one
table, and many other
hotel furnishings too tedious
to mention. The same being
the property of the firm of
King and Gray.

B. J. COUNCILL, Receiver.

Many Persons are broken
down from overwork or household cares.
Brown's Iron Blitters. Rebuilds the
system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile,
and cures malaria. Get the genuine.