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LOCAL NEWS.

—Don't fail to attend the big real estate sales here next Monday.

—Mrs. Wike, we are sorry to say, is still unimproved, and suffering all she can bear.

—Mr. B. J. Councill, of our town, is off on a business trip to Winston and Charlotte this week.

—Next Monday is Commissioners Court, and if you come, bring us that dollar, please, for we need it.

Friends who have promised us wood on subscription will do us a kindness by bringing it on, as we need it now.

—Editor Dougherty has returned from his trip to Caldwell, but is unable to get out of the house on account of a severe pain in one of his hip joints.

—Tri Hix has hit it at last in his weather predictions and his long-talked of cold weather is upon us. Now say he is not a prophet, please.

—Died on the 25th ult. at the home of Mr. Austin, on Rich Mountain, Mrs. Beck, an aged lady, who has many friends in and around Boone. Dropsy is said to have been the cause of her death.

—It takes a man with a considerable amount of gall to ask that a paper be sent him on time, and then, after he has had the paper for nearly two years, and never paid a cent for it, notifies the publisher that he is tired of it and to please stop it. Surprises still exist.

—Miss Annie, the daughter of H. L. Huggins, of Cove Creek, died at her home on the 24th ult. and was interred at the burying ground one mile west of Boone on the day following. Miss Annie was a lady liked by all who knew her, and will be greatly missed by her associates.

—Now the democrats and republicans of this county had as well give up the fight, for the Pops are already putting in their work. Let all attend the public speaking at Brown's mill this week and see what one of the leaders of that party has to say in its defense. Of course you will be highly entertained.

—Chronicle: Mr. W. A. Winkler tells us that some time ago he got a gallon of what is called Microbe Killer, from Lewis Bryan, of Boone, for his wife to use on her leg, which had a very bad sore on it, and it worked a wonderful cure. He says he thinks that every one suffering with bad sores that way should know how this medicine cured his wife.

—Some five years, or more ago, friend Joshua Winkler had a fine bay mare stolen from his stables 2 miles east

of Boone, and all efforts to find her proved futile. Last week however, Mr. Latham, of Trade, Tenn., stopped for the night with Mr. Winkler, and to his surprise and delight his long-lost and trusty mare was in Mr. Latham's team. The animal was traded for below Hickory, and by accident the right man got her to return her to her former owner. Who the rogue was is yet unknown.

—Some time ago Mrs. T. L. Hine, moved from one mile west of Boone to Hickory, and took with her a house cat nailed up in a box. After their arrival at Hickory the cat was kept confined for several days for fear he would leave if released. Finally he was freed and his citizenship immediately turned his face to Watauga—the land of his birth, and arrived at his old home near Boone a few days later. He traveled over 50 miles, crossed the Catawba River and passed some half-dozen towns on his route, but arrived here in good time, sleek and fat.

Howdy! I hope your Christ mas has been pleasant and your New Year happy. 1893 gave you a good start on promises, kept it up all summer and fall and sadly disappointed you in the winter. We have all been through trials and tribulations. Not even the glories of the World's Fair could dispel the gloom we were in. But 1894 bids us good morning. There is a brighter look ahead—N. M. Allen is going to sell hardware cheaper than ever. See him at North Wilkesboro and be convinced.

Whiskers that are prematurely gray or faded should be colored to prevent the look of age, and Buckingham's Dye excels all others in coloring brown or black.

From Stony Fork, N. C.
Editor Democrat:

We have had one of the most wonderful revivals of religion that has ever blessed this section of our country. The services were conducted by Revs. S. T. Carroll and Carroll Johnson. The meeting continued for 15 days in succession, and there was the most interest left and shown in the meeting ever seen in this section.

The ministers held their audience spell-bound as it were, and the attention and behavior was perfect. Some of the ablest sermons we have ever heard were delivered, showing plainly what fallen man must do to be saved, and to obtain faith in Christ, and be prepared to get to a better world when done with this.

This meeting resulted in 63 conversions and 41 additions to the church. May the good work go on all over this country until there shall be none left to advocate the cause of the wicked one. I am sure if the churches all over the country would go to work in earnest as did this church, the world would soon see and realize the power there is in religion. W. S. H.
Jan. 27, 1894.

You can never tell what a slight cold may lead to, it is best, therefore, to give yourself the benefit of the doubt, and cure it as soon as possible with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. A day's delay, sometimes an hour's delay, may result in serious consequences.

The special income tax has been made a part of the Revenue bill and has been reported to the House and we may look out for a bitter fight in the near future on this bill. We are in favor of this income tax and hope it will pass, but we have serious doubts about it.

Following is the obituary of Mary N. Farthing read by order of Bethel Church at the burial services Jan. 28, '94: Our deceased sister, Mary N. Farthing, was born April 21, 1821, in what is now Durham county, N. C., not far from the present city of Durham.

She had the misfortune to lose her mother when she was quite a little girl.

When our sister was 10 or 11 years old her father removed with his family to Watauga county then Ashe county and settled on the site of the present village of Zionville, where she lived with him until her marriage with our pastor Elder A. C. Farthing, which occurred Dec. 24, 1840—53 years, 1 month and 2 days prior to her death.

In the year 1843 (over 50 years ago) our departed sister professed religion and was baptised, with her husband, into the fellowship of Cove Creek Baptist Church by Elder Barzillai McBride, in the limpid waters of Beaverdam Creek, and she lived a consistent member of the church until her death.

On the 4th, day of July 1851, Bethel Church was constituted with our sister and 9 others as constituted members, three only of whom are now members of this church (our pastor and 2 sisters).

On the 24, day of July 1852, he to whom she had pledged her faith, was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry, and from that time till the close of her pilgrimage she freely shared with him the burdens, trials and privations of a ministers' life.

To make her trials and burdens greater, she was the mother of a large family of children who were raised during the first part of husbands ministerial life and were left to her care a good deal of the time. Added to this, the pioneer Baptist Ministers of Watauga county cannot be said to have received even a partial remuneration for their services during that time to relieve their wives of the cares and burdens which naturally fell to their lot; but she toiled on to the end without murmuring or repining.

She departed this life on the 26, of Jan. 1894, at the age of 72 years, 9 months and 5 days. She was a kind companion, a devoted mother and a faithful friend, and leaves a husband and nine children (all of whom are now married) to mourn her loss.

Her work is done, her trials are over, her sufferings are ended, and if undergoing hardships and living a life of self denial for the cause of the Master are rewarded, surely, our sister is now enjoying that reward in the Land of Eternal Deliverance. To which reward may the Lord of Glory lead us all at last.

W. S. FARTHING,
Church Clerk.

Bourke Cockran, of New York has made a great speech in the House on the tariff advocating the passage of the Wilson bill. It is concluded that Cockran is the ablest man in Congress. Following close to him is Bryan of Nebraska. Mr. Bryan is a young man, he also made a great speech on the same subject. This bill will pass the House this week, perhaps, before we go to press.

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BIG MORTGAGE LAND SALE.

Whereof, Jane Miller and Husband, Edmund B. Miller did on the 5th day of August 1892, execute and deliver to Albert R. Shattuck, Trustee, a trust deed on certain lands in Watauga County, State of North Carolina therein described, to secure the sum of \$1,300 due by said Jane and Edmund B. Miller to the British and American Mortgage Company, Limited, which said trust deed is recorded in Watauga county, in Deed Book "C" Page 577 to which reference is hereby made; and whereas default has been made in the payment of the moneys secured by said trust deed, and whereas the undersigned has been duly appointed substituted trustee in the place of said Albert R. Shattuck, as provided in said trust deed, and has been duly requested to execute the trust therein contained;

Now therefore notice is hereby given, that under and by virtue of the power contained in said trust deed, I, the undersigned substituted trustee, on Monday the 12th day of Feb., 1894, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., at the court house door in the town of Boone in Watauga county, will by public auction sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property, viz:

Four hundred and forty three acres in three (3) tracts 1st tract—Two hundred and seventy five (275) acres in Meat Camp township; bounded on the north by lands of C. Moretz, and Mrs. Houck, on the East by the lands of T. S. Walls, on the South by the lands of J. H. Taylor, and on the West by the lands of J. E. Finley and John I. Green; being the lands deeded to Jane Miller wife of Edmund B. Miller by A. J. Moretz and wife, and fully set out by metes and bounds in the deed recorded in book "p" page 167 of the public records of Watauga county to which record reference is hereby made.

2nd tract—One hundred and fifty (150) acres in Bald Mountain Township; bounded on the North by the lands of J. W. Finley, on the East by the lands of the heirs of William Norris, and on the South by the lands of E. B. Miller and on the West by the lands of J. W. Henry Steele, being the land deeded to Jane Miller wife of E. B. Miller by the heirs of Joseph Holman deceased, and fully set out by metes and bounds in deed recorded in book "m" page 272 of the public records of Watauga county to which record reference is hereby made.

3rd tract—Eighteen (18) acres of land in Bald Mountain Township; bounded on the North by the lands of E. B. Miller, on the East by the lands of E. B. Miller, on the South by the lands of the heirs of William Norris, and on the West by the lands of J. W. Henry Steele, being a part of the land deeded to Jane Miller by the heirs of Joseph Holman deceased, and fully set out by metes and bounds in deed of record in book "m" page 272 of the public records of Watauga county, to which record reference is hereby made.

Said land will be sold to satisfy the debt secured by said trust deed, and such title will be given as is vested in said trustee.

E. S. COFFEY Substituted Trustee.



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