

We do not claim to be one of the grumbling class that cannot see any good in other people but our own sort. We have pronounced views on all public matters, but we are free to accord to every man his rights or these things and we do not claim the right to regulate and think for others.

While this huge tariff may bring flush times to the great business centres of our country and we are free to say that we think there will be more activity among some of the manufacturing sections of the country, but we all cannot be of this class, other interests should be considered.

The Alaska gold fields are still attracting great interests and many venturesome people go there to get the yellow metal. We will not go, but it we had to mine for gold we would go over in Burke and Caldwell counties, pick us out a favorable spot and go to digging.

It is now certainly demonstrated that the Republican party of North Carolina is incapable of making laws and governing the State with wisdom and economy to the end that our State may enjoy the benefits of government to the full extent aimed by the honest and true men of the State.

The authorities of Watauga have not put any colored men on the school committee. Many other counties have them. The new move has caused the colored people to complain.

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Notice of Land sale. I will sell on the first Monday in September (the 6th.) 1897 at the court house door in Boone, Watauga county, N. C., the following tracts of land for taxes.

Wm. H. CALLOWAY, Sh'ff. Aug. 3rd. 1897.

Boone township. Lenoir Elizabeth, 150 acres for the years 1895-'96. tax and cost \$3.77.

haigler Julius, 50 acres for year 1895, tax and cost 4.30. Harrison D. P. 25 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 3.91.

Bald Mt. township. ray thos. sr., 346 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 6.51.

Blue ridge township. cowles c. J. 840 acres for years 1895-'96. tax and cost 14.53.

stone s. s. 25 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 4.11.

Kelly A. G. 20 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 3.94.

coffey J. C. 140 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 4.18.

blowing rock township. Lenoir Estate one town lot for year 1896, tax and cost 2.92.

coffey J. F. one town lot for years 1895-'96. taxes and cost 7.17.

Banner H. T. one town lot for year 1896 tax and cost 1.72.

shafner J. F. Dr. one town lot for years 1895-'96. tax and cost 5.97.

Elk township. cowles c. J. 1947 acres for the years 1895-'96 bal. tax and cost 29.51.

cowles & calloway 100 acres for years 1895-'96, bal. due by cowles tax and cost 2.01.

Cove creek township. Dougherty I. & A. M. 400 acres for year 1896 tax and cost 8.55.

Lee and Miller 100 acre for years 1895-'96 tax and cost 3.77.

Musgrave E. D. 125 acres for year 1896, tax and cost 3.40.

Holsclaw B. L's heirs 25 acres for the year 1895 tax and cost 3.93.

Laurel creek township. Dougherty E. H. 100 acres for the years 1895-'96 bal. tax and cost 3.27.

Miller E. M. 100 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 2.45.

Miller E. B. 25 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 1.54.

clippenburg H. A. 100 acres for the year 1895 tax and cost 2.04.

Union mining co. 100 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 8.72.

Presnell J. H. 100 acres for the year 2896 tax and cost 3.92.

worley s. P. 187 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 6.20.

chase H. s. 200 acres for the year 1895 bal. tax and cost 1.83.

Meat camp township. cowles c. J. 445 acres for the years 1895-'96, tax and cost 8.31.

calloway's heirs 600 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 4.00.

Mcbride s. s. 8 acres for the years 1895-'96, tax and cost 1.79.

winebarger D. V. 450 acres for the year 1896, tax and cost 7.35.

stanberry w. E. 40 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 3.95.

north fork township. Elk knob copper co. 128 for the year 1896 tax and cost 38.18.

shawnee township. Brewer J. C. 100 acres for the year 1895 bal. tax and cost 4.90.

Holsclaw F. M. 50 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 3.20.

strickland D. 50 acres for the year 1896 tax and cost 1.72.

Taylor T. H. & J. P. 330 acres for the year 1895 tax and cost 5.03.

Banner Mrs Mollie 50 acres for the year 1895 tax and cost 3.28.

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REAL ESTATE SALE. By virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage deed executed by Sellie Pritchard to J. N. Clarke and A. C. Martin, composing the firm of H. C. Martin & Co., on Jan. 14, 1892 and registered in the Register's office of Watauga county, N. C., and assigned by H. C. Martin & Co. to Harper, Bernhard & Co. in book 'C', page 558, we will on Monday the 6th day of Sept., 1897, between the hours of 10, a. m., and 2, p. m., at the court house door in Boone, to satisfy a debt of \$60.00, interest and costs, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash a tract of land lying in the county of Watauga and known and designated as follows: adjoining the lands of M. L. Moore, W. D. Clarke, John Ox engine and others, being a part of the robt. green "ridge field" and known as the "little cove field tract", granted to Wm. Coffey Jan. 26, 1842 and deeded by said Coffey to robt. green January 20, 1847, and includes all of said tract not deeded by robt. green to L. Story, containing 24 acres more or less, this July 29, 1897. HARPER, BERNHARDT & Co. Assignees of H. C. Martin & Co.

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