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LOCAL NEWS.

-Easter next Sunday, -The farmers are much behind with their spring work, -Another fresh stock of good promises on hand, -The crowd that attended court on Monday was very large, -Some of our gardeners in and near the village are planting potatoes this week, -Sheriff Boyd, of Lenoir, was in town a few hours on Monday, -Attorney Pell, of Jefferson, says the new paper to be started there soon will be independent in politics, -The auction sale that was to have come off in Boone this week was indefinitely postponed, -Jesse Fisher, of Silverstone, will move to one of the Dougherty buildings near the academy next week, -Mr. D. J. Cottrell, who has been teaching in Caldwell for some time has returned to his home at Deerfield, -Dr. Crowson, of Statesville, was in town Tuesday on his way to Sutherland, where he will locate for the practice of his profession, -The school at Sandy Flat will close next week, and Professor Francum will deliver an address at 1, p. m., on Friday, -On Monday morning the larger part of the pupils at Watauga Academy, with the faculty, attended court to hear the Judge's charge, -Mr. J. W. Farthing returned from Watauga Falls on Tuesday evening and reports his mother as not so well as on Monday, -Mr. George Winkler, we are sorry to learn, is again suffering greatly, having taken relapse on his late attack of rheumatism, -Glad to see that friend Tom Seehorn, of Lenoir, has filled his bond and now has charge of the post office in that town, -On Tuesday night Atty. Frank Linney received the sad intelligence that his little son was very much worse, and left at once for Taylorsville, -With the exception of Dr. E. Bingham, we are of the opinion that every practicing physician in the county were here on Monday and Tuesday, -The commencement exercises at Cove Creek Academy will come off on Friday of next week, and we are told that a most enjoyable program has been arranged, and a good time is expected.

WANTED. Bids for building a brick church (Methodist) at Jefferson at once. For plan, etc., apply to L. P. BOGLE, Jefferson, N. C.

-This week has been a record breaker in the way of fine weather for Watauga court in Boone. The sun has shown warm and nice, making the weather all that could be desired. -The following attorneys from other counties are here this week: Messrs. Newland, Bower, Jones and Wakefield, of Lenoir; Linney and Linney, of Taylorsville; Council and Pell of Jefferson. -The fakir was here this week and as usual, our people, many of them, were ready to bite the bait. However each one who invested was only taxed ten cents for his experience. -We are indeed thankful to a goodly number of our subscribers for settling their accounts with us this week, but there have been scores of others who passed us by unnoticed. -Owing to unavoidable circumstances the public was denied the privilege of hearing Mr. Maxwell speak as he was obliged to return home on Monday evening. He promised, however, that he would speak here in the future. -A few days since three of the children of Mr. Wiley Norris at Norris, was badly burned by a pot of sugar tree water overturning on the water. We are told that the condition of some of them is considered right critical. -James McBride, of Baker's Gap, Tenn., has been engaged in the lumber business for quite awhile, will, we are told, make an investment on Timbered Ridge, this county, as he has been prospecting in that community right much of late. -Mr. T. F. Coffey returned from the South Monday, and he tells us that he has 27 head of horses and mules returning unsold. He says times are extremely hard in the South, and that there are thousands of negroes there who are, it seems, bound to suffer. -Deputy Sheriff George Greene, of Stony Fork, lost his mill and locust pin factory by fire on Thursday night of last week, entailing a loss of some \$2,000 in buildings and contents, without any insurance. 75,000 turned locust pins and a lot of locust timber were also destroyed. -Mr. J. W. Farthing was called to his old home at Watauga Falls to see his sister and aged mother, both of whom are confined with pneumonia. Dr. Cottrell returned from there on Monday, and at that time both of them were thought to be improving. -Atty. Frank Linney, who has a government position in Washington, is attending court here. We are sorry to learn that his little son, Armfield, has been quite sick in Taylorsville for several days, but Mr. Linney has received the glad news since here that the little one is improving.

NOTICE. At a sale of real estate made for taxes by W. H. Calaway, ex-Sheriff of Watauga county on July 1, 1901, at the court house door in Boone, I purchased a tract of land listed in the name of Morphey and Morphey for the taxes for the years 1900 and 1901 in Elk township of 100 acres. The time of redemption will expire on July 1st, 1902, and unless redemption is made as the law directs, I shall take a deed for the same This March 26th, 1902. JAMES MORPHEY.

-The original and identical trade mark patented Abraham Lincoln Shonn, late of Johnson county, Tenn., was tried before Commissioner Bryan on Tuesday, for violating the revenue laws, and Link says, strange as it may seem, for a rarity, he came clear, and he absolutely seemed surprised himself. -Mr. J. W. Bryan, Watchmaker and Jeweler, wishes to announce that he has on hand all kinds of material for the repair of watches and clocks, and guarantees all work for one year. Sewing machines of all kinds repaired under guarantee. Bring your work and call at room No. 2, Bryan Hotel. -Mrs. Geo. McQuir, of Silvestone, died at her home on last Saturday night and was buried at the Thomas grave yard on Monday. She had been in ill health for several weeks and leaves an infant and other children and a devoted husband to mourn her departure. She is spoken of in the highest terms by her neighbors and friends, who say she was a good, pious lady and one who will be greatly missed in the community. -Todd Hams. Mr. H. C. Miller went to Mountain City, Tenn., last week on business. Mr. J. Q. McGuire tells us he will leave in short time for Asheville where he will go into the mercantile business. I am glad to note that in a short time we will have a daily mail from Todd to Creston, with Mr. Monroe Greer as contractor and carrier. Dr. W. R. Blackburn tells me that he will have a saw mill attached to the grist mill at Todd by the middle of the week. Mr. Ebbin Winebarger has moved back to Todd where he will be handy to his work at the mill. Mr. I. E. Duncan is buying in a good supply of cloth and yarn to buy wool for the Patterson Manufacturing Co. Those having wool to exchange for cloth can do well to see him before buying elsewhere. Rev. Hargett preached a very interesting sermon at the Methodist church on Sunday evening. Mr. Robert Howell and Miss Effie Houch were married on the 22nd inst., I Graham, Esq. officiating. Mr. Caleb Greer and wife visited friends and relatives at Todd last week. A. S.

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In Memoriam. In the stillness of night on Feb. 15th, 1902, the dark-winged Reaper, on his tireless mission, entered the home of Mr. Alden Isaacs at Mabel, N. C., and wafted to that celestial city, the spirit of his beloved wife, Emilo, who had for years been a patient sufferer from cancer. She was born Oct. 24, '56, and at the age of about 25 years she united with the Baptist church at Howard's Creek. She ever after lived a most devoted life; one remarkable for its piety and all those sterling elements of character which distinguished the true character. The last years, and especially months, of her life, were characterized by intense suffering and complete resignation to the Divine will. She leaves a husband and four children—one boy and three girls—to fight life's battles, without her cheering presence. But they can never forget her christian graces. For, she was indeed, a good woman, a loving wife, a devoted mother, the very salt of the earth. Then we should all strive to emulate her virtues, so that it may be also said of us that the world was bettered by our having lived in it. A. E. MORETZ. Mabel, N. C. A good intention clothes itself with power.—Emerson

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. The undersigned having qualified as administrator of the estate of James P. Taylor, dec'd., all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present the same to me within 12 months from the date hereof or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons owing said estate will make payment of the same without delay. This March 25th 1902. E. F. LOVILL, Administrator.

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A Proclamation. \$300.00 REWARD. State of North Carolina, Executive Department. Whereas, official information has been received at this Department that Sutherland's Seminary in Ashe county, on Feb. 18, 1902, was burned by an incendiary unknown. And Whereas, it appears that the said incendiary has fled the State, or so conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. Now, Therefore, I, Chas. B. Aycock, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of a authority in me vested by law, do issue this my proclamation, offering a reward of three hundred dollars for the apprehension and delivery of the said incendiary to the Sheriff of Ashe county, at the court house in Jefferson, with evidence sufficient to convict same, and I do enjoin all officers of the State and all good citizens to assist in bringing said criminal to justice. Done at our City of Raleigh the 7th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two, and in the one hundred and twenty-sixth year of our American Independence. CHARLES B. AYCOCK. By the Governor: P. M. PEARSON, Pri. Sec.

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