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There are 252,436 miles of ocean cable in operation.

CASTORIA.
Bears the
Signature
of
Chas. H. Hatcher
PROFESSIONAL.

L. D. LOWE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
BANNER ELK, N. C.
Will practice in the courts of Watauga, Mitchell and adjoining counties. 7-6-'04

Todd & Ballou,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.
JEFFERSON, N. C.
Will practice in all the courts. Special attention given to collection. 1-6-4.

F. A. LINNEY,
—ATTORNEY AT LAW,—
BOONE, N. C.
Will practice in the courts of this and surrounding counties. Prompt attention given to the collection of claims and all other business of a legal nature. 6-12-'04.

EDMUND JONES,
—LAWYER—
—LENOIR, N. C.—
Will Practice Regularly in the Courts of Watauga, 6-1-'04.

J. C. FLETCHER,
Attorney At Law,
—BOONE, N. C.—
Careful attention given to collections.

E. F. LOVILL,
—ATTORNEY AT LAW,—
—BOONE, N. C.—
Special attention given to all business entrusted to his care. 1-1-'04.

E. S. COFFEY,
—ATTORNEY AT LAW,—
—BOONE, N. C.—
Prompt attention given to all matters of a legal nature. Abstracting titles and collection of claims a specialty. 1-1-'05.

DR. R. D. JENNINGS,
[RESIDENT DENTIST.]
—BANNER ELK, N. C.—
Nothing but the best material used and all work done under a positive guarantee. Persons at a distance should notify me a few days in advance when they want work done. After March the 1st, I have arranged to be at the Blackburn House in Boone on each first Monday. Call on me. 1.28.

W. H. BOWER,
—ATTORNEY AT LAW,—
Lenoir, N. C.
Practices in the courts of Caldwell, Watauga, Mitchell, Ashe and other surrounding counties. Prompt attention given to all legal matters entrusted to his care.

DR. J. M. HOGSHEAD,
Cancer Specialist,
BANNER'S ELK, N. C.
No Knife, No Burning Out.
Highest references and endorsements of prominent persons successfully treated in Va., Tenn. and N. C. Remember that there is no time too soon to get rid of a cancerous growth—no matter how small. Examination free. Letters answered promptly, and satisfaction guaranteed.

OUR NATIVE HILLS.
The following beautiful oration was delivered at the Commencement exercises last week by Mr. I. G. Greer:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: It has been suggested that I speak a word this afternoon in behalf of our "Native Hills and People."

The Scottish Highlanders never grow weary in giving to us the most graphic description of their native hills and people. The travelers in striking language have told us of the beauties of Switzerland; of the towering Alps that stand in grand sublimity to the glory of nature. The rivers and lakes of the Old and New World have spread their beauties before them, but never have they lingered among scenes more fair, more full of rich and varied beauties and grandeur, nor a people more loyal and God-like than that of which I shall speak.

I trust that I am not so selfish that it will preclude me from giving to you the true merits of a people, that during the sweeping progress and development of a century and a quarter have been regarded as the "Sleeping Mountaineers" of a mighty country. To some extent, we plead guilty to the "soft impeachment" in the line of intellectual development and progress. But the past has been written, and I cannot possess that coldness of heart for my native land to speak irreverently of those prolific achievements of our forefathers who gained for us these native hills and landscapes; this refuge of free principles, this school for religious liberty, free from the demoralizing influences of corrupt society. I leave this unpleasant task for the critic and pessimist, and speak with pride of the natural ability of our people, their loyalty, their devotion to christianity, their happy condition at present and their hopes for the future, for which I owe no apology.

Ever and anon there have gone forth from our midst men and women who have stood like intellectual giants among their fellow-men who know but that for the want of an opportunity geniuses grand and awful have walked among us and now slumber in the dust at our feet. No wonder the poet in speaking of this, was inspired to say: "Some mute, inglorious Milton here may rest; a Cromwell, guiltless of his country's blood." But no longer can it be said a genius lives among us, unknown for the want of an opportunity. For out of our own homes apostles of education have come forth.

Bilious Bill was getting bloated, and his tongue was much coated. Patent "tonics" would not cure him, companies would not insure him. All his friends were badly frightened, but their spirits soon were brightened, for Bill said—and they believed him, Early Riser Pills relieved him. The famous little pills, "Early Risers," cure constipation, sick headache, biliousness, etc., by their tonic effect on the liver. They never gripe or sicken, but impart early rising energy, good for adults and children. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

Like our brave pioneer who once gathered about him on the majestic summit of these hills his little band, taught them how to wield the tomahawk and rifle, so these apostles of learning gather about them the seekers of knowledge and train them to meet life's stern battles. Out from these school rooms and humble homes that nestle among these hills and valleys shall the angel of destiny yet select a modest daughter, who once bent over the old-fashioned oven to prepare a common meal for a tired father or brother, or sat patiently at the old-fashioned loom, and wreath about her brow the laurels of a Harriet Beecher Stowe or an Anne Judson. Out from these shall the angel of destiny select a homely lad and about his sunburned brow wreath the laurels of a Scott, that he may give to us in verse the beauties of our native highlands; a Macaulay, that he may give us a true history of our highland people, and dedicate them to the glories of generations to come.

But after all, the destinies of nations are not shaped all together by great geniuses. It was not the Demosthenes, the Platoes or Pericles, that made Greece great; it was not the Washingtons or Lincolns that made America great. They were simply the directing forces—like the men who hold the lever and valves of the engine—and after all it is the toiling puffing steam that moves the engine. So it is, the great toiling, delving, honest, patriotic multitude that shapes the character of nations.

The world has never had more typical examples of such characters than ours. It is here the purest and bravest Anglo Saxon race have made their homes. This was proved when the dark and vengeful spirit of slavery had reached the point of supreme peril, and struck at the life of a mighty nation and at the foundation of American society. We see going forth to battle noble sons whose lives had been as quiet as these hills on which they had played together. One filled with love for his own sunny land went forth to battle for what he thought was right, while another brother from the same home went forth to fight for the nation's life. When the battle was on, we see brothers who had been taught to pray around the same mother's knee, face each other with the valor of a Spartan in that gigantic rebellion while death pealed about their heads like the thunder on the mountain tops. These were our fathers,

TERRIFIC RACE WITH DENTH.
"Death was fast approaching," writes R. F. Fernandez, of Tampa, Fla., describing his fearful race with death, as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and several medicines, but got no benefit, until I began to use Electric Bitters. So wonderful was their effect that in three days I felt like a new man, and today I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed at M. B. Blackburn's. Price 50c.

ers, a few of whom are yet spared to walk among us, whose silvery locks and bending forms are greater to us than any marble statue telling of an awful conflict.

When right had conquered at the awful drama at Appomattox and the smoke of the last battles were yet lingering on the mountain tops, we see them worshipping in the same church and building up new homes in this, our Switzerland of America, where they could learn of nature, and where their children, instead of being surrounded by the damning influences of the modern city, might have for their school the great book of nature.

When the day's labor is ended and the earth is mantled in darkness, we see crafty satan gathering around him in the great cities his attentive audiences and preaching most eloquently that doctrine which is blighting the usefulness of the present and future generations. But a more beautiful picture is seen when the queen of night bursts forth from her crimson couch and rests upon the keystone of her mighty arch. She smiles as she casts her pale rays into the homes that are crouched among these hills, and beholds the angel of peace in the form of happy families gathered about the fireside, the mother with her knitting, the father with his stories of prouder days, the children with slate and pencil gather around the table to grapple with those little problems that only sweeten life's remembrance.

How they long for greatness of long ago; of joy and sorrow strangely mixed; visions of love's first dreams; visions of life's stern battles; visions of life's checked path way as it winds through flowering fields or pain's hot desert sands; through the fragrant spice groves of joy or over sorrow's mountain crags. How indelible through all the change freighted years this picture remains on the canvas of the soul.

I know that such homes are often criticised by fashionable society. But better a thousand times that every young man as he goes out in to the world had such a vision written upon his soul to inspire him to higher living and to guard him from the temptations that pass by him on beauty's carnival. Better a thousand times that the hum of the old spinning wheel, like that of Priscilla, could be heard in every home than for the girls of the present generation to be rocked

SAVED BY DYNAMITE.
Sometimes a flaming city is saved by dynamiting a space that the fire can't cross. Sometimes a cough holds on so long you feel as if nothing but dynamite would cure it. Z. T. Gray, of Calhoun, Ga., writes: "My wife had a very aggravated cough, which kept her awake at night. Two physicians could not help her; so she took Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, which eased her cough, gave her sleep, and finally cured her." Strictly scientific cure for bronchitis and La-Grippe. At Blackburn's. Price 50c. and \$1 guaranteed. Trial bottles free.

to sleep by the pleasures of life.

Out from ten thousand unpainted cottages that dot the land, have stalked forth the great thought and mighty deeds of the past. They are the sacred shrines of earth where the camp fires of genius have been lighted in every age.

There is a striking picture in Grecian story of a beautiful highland dedicated to the gods and kept sacred from war. Here the great teachers and philosophers would come to rest and learn of nature. The same might be said of our own county and adjoining ones. Standing like colossal statues of liberty away from the burning sands and fretting masses of the busy world, casting their rock-ribbed peaks 6,000 feet above the sea. It has been preserved for a noble purpose; for here in these balmy breezes and upon these lofty mountains, where the setting sun lingers with unspeakable glory there is strength for the feeble and health and life for the ailing. 'Tis here the pleasure and health seekers come, and while dashing at the speed of an eagle's flight, drawn by gallant steed 5000 feet above the sea, they are permitted to look down from the "Appeal way" upon the most sublime scenery that God ever fashioned with his mighty hand. Like Jesus of Nazareth, when wearied of the thronging multitudes sought the lonely heights of the mountain where he could rest and commune with the Father; the business man and seeker of knowledge when weary of the hum of machinery and duties of life come hither to our native hills where they may rest from labor and learn from the great book of nature. And we may rest for here among our hills are flowers for the botanist, rocks for the geologist, landscape for the artist, sublimity for the poet, inspiration for the orator, rest for the laboring man, new life for the old, and a grand foretaste of that greater life to come.

Not only are her natural advantages inspiring and attractive, but here under the shadows of these colossal mountains in the villages of the sky, stand her noble institutions, prolific in their teachings as the Athens of old, as pure in spirit as the silver waters that tumble down the mountain sides, an Athens indeed, where students shall go forth as teachers of morality and in whose lives the world may find an

HOT WEATHER PILLS.
Persons afflicted with piles should be careful at this season of the year. Hot weather and bad drinking water contribute to the conditions which make piles more painful and dangerous. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve stops the pain, draws out the soreness and cures. Get the genuine, bearing the name of E. C. DeWitt & Co.]
The Gov. has appointed W. T. Brown, of Winston, a director of the North Carolina Railroad to succeed Geo. P. Pell, resigned.

TAKE WINE OF CARDUI AT HOME

Are you a sufferer? Has your doctor been unsuccessful? Wouldn't you prefer to treat yourself—AT HOME?

Nearly 1,500,000 women have bought Wine of Cardui and have cured themselves at home, of such troubles as periodical, bearing down and ovarian pains, leucorrhoea, barrenness, nervousness, dizziness, nausea and despondency, caused by female weakness. These are not easy cases. Wine of Cardui cures when the doctor can't. Wine of Cardui does not irritate the organs. There is no pain in the treatment. It is a soothing tonic of healing herbs, free from strong and drastic drugs. It is successful because it cures in a natural way.

Wine of Cardui can be bought from your druggist at \$1.00 a bottle and you can begin this treatment today. Will you try it?

It cures requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms. The Ladies' Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

In every well regulated packing house there is a trained ox called Judas, who leads the other cattle to slaughter. There are some men who may be likened to the Judas ox, who, in the language of the street, give their fellow beings a "bum steer" and lead them to destruction.—Ex.

STRICTLY GENUINE.

Most of the patent medicine testimonials are probably genuine. The following notice recently appeared in the Atchison, Kansas, Globe: "Joe Taek, a well known engineer running on the Missouri Pacific between Wichita and Kiowa, lately appeared in a big one, with a picture, and when he was in his office today, we asked him about it. He said he had a terrific pain in his stomach, and thought he had cancer. His druggist recommended Kodol and he says it cured him. He recommended it to others who were also cured." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and cures all stomach troubles. Just as surely as the sun shines your stomach can be brought back to its originally pure condition and life sweetened by this lasting and truly the greatest digestant ever known. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

The exportation of cattle from Mexico to Cuba is increasing.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

How To Find Out.
Fill a bottle or common glass with four water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.
There is comfort in the knowledge often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for the wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail, address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.