

## Watauga Democrat.

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Christmas is almost here once more, and while the little ones are thinking of little, save Santa Clause and his expected visit, many of us who are more mature, are thinking of other things. We feel today that if we could go back to last Christmas and live the year again that is now about to close, we might greatly improve on it. We can recall harsh words, unkind feelings, thoughts and mistakes, that we'd like to exchange for those less so, but it's too late. Perhaps they received but little notice from those around us, each one pressing on in life's careless march. None of us have found the way all sunny and flower strewn, yet most of us have found on life's road some sun shine and heard glad bird songs and smelled the modest violets that here and there blossom by the way. Some have had day by day a struggle for bread, perhaps pausing here and there only long enough to throw a mound of earth o'er a loved one who had found the way too hard; then turn and pick up life's burden and march wearily on.

Others around us look as if no care had ever come to them, but who knows but that while smiles play over their faces, heart strings are breaking. Each one has a "skeleton in his closet." If it is not one thing it is another. We are all weavers, and it will be found when Death's icy fingers clip the webs from the loom many threads of sorrow, pain and gladness have been woven into each. After all it may be that things are more equally divided than it sometimes seems, and whatever our condition or surroundings may be, let us strive to make some one happy this Christmas. Don't throw a shadow over a child's heart. There are some in our midst who have not had as abundantly of the good things of this world as perhaps you and I have. Let's make them happy, and give those less fortunate a glorious good time. Let's see that Santa Claus is good to them this time, for all too soon they will find life a stern reality.

It may not be known by many of our readers that the Great Wall of China was ever such a massive and magnificent structure as it was. It was built 213 years before our era for the purpose of keeping out the fierce and warlike Tartars and was 25 feet high and 40 feet thick, and 1,200 miles long. On top six horses might be ridden abreast. It was built of slabs of stone perfectly hewn and fitted and topped with bricks. Imagine the work and expense involved in this massive task. Estimating labor at the same rate this wall must have cost as much as all of the rail-roads in the United States. It has been said that all the old classic seven wonders, which are all gone now except one, the great pyramid, were toys when compared to it. It is estimated that the material used in it would build a wall six feet high and two feet thick around the globe. Yet this was done in 20 years without debt or bond.

### The Watauga Turnpike.

It now seems that the Watauga Turnpike, extending from Blowing Rock to Edgemont, the terminal of the C. & N. Railway, is sure to be built in the near future. The undertaking is indeed a pretty heavy one, but when such enterprising, public spirited men as those at Blowing Rock, who are heading this enterprise, take a stand something is sure to happen. Mr. Barber, President of the C. & N. Railway, will build eight miles of the road and donate it to the Co., which now has the principal part of the money subscribed for its completion. The books are now open for subscription, and to raise the remainder required, should be quite an easy task, as the road will not only be a great benefit to the town of Blowing Rock, but to the entire county. It is the intention of the company to have the road completed by June 1st, 1906. Stock in the road is bound to be a paying investment, and we hope the little amount yet to be raised will be gotten without difficulty.

It seems that the appointment of a United States Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina is indeed a problem for the pie dispensers to solve. Congressman Blackburn has endorsed one Mr. Adams, but State Chairman Rollins, who opposes, it seems, everything favored by Blackburn, opposes Adams and favors the reappointment of ex-Marshall Millikan, whose time expired on Saturday last. The dispatches from the Capital are at such variance that it is hard to tell who will get the plumb.

Peabody, the new president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, is closely connected with John D. Rockefeller. Mutual trustees probably had in mind the idea of trying the efficiency of pouring Standard Oil on "the troubled waters" when they elect him.—Charlotte News.

## All Run Down

This is a common expression we hear on every side. Unless there is some organic trouble, the condition can doubtless be remedied. Your doctor is the best adviser. Do not dose yourself with all kinds of advertised remedies—get his opinion. More than likely you need a concentrated fat food to enrich your blood and tone up the system.

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### A Pretty Incident.

A few days ago Capt. E. F. Lovill of Boone sent by express a beautiful sword to Lieutenant W. A. Copeland, at Lakeside California. The sword was presented to Lieutenant Copeland by Company B of the 10th Michigan Regiment, in the civil war of which he was a member. At the battle of Chickamauga Lieutenant Copeland was captured and his sword taken from him. At the recent Confederate Reunion in Boone Capt. Lovill needing a sword to drill the old veterans, sent to Mr. W. C. Coffey to borrow one, and noted the fine quality of the one in question also the inscription and at once set about to restore it to Mr. Copeland or his children. After some correspondence through Governor Glenn with the Governor of Michigan Lieutenant Copeland was located in California and the sword forwarded to him. He expressed himself as exceedingly grateful to Capt. Lovill and others for their kindness in restoring to him his sword and offered to pay them liberally, but of course they do not think of making any charge for a kindness like this, in fact it is a source of great pleasure to them to do it. Mr. Copeland does not remember to whom he surrendered neither does Mr. Coffey remember how the sword came into his possession.—Lenoir News.

### CURE FOR SORE NIPPLES

As soon as the is done nursing apply Chamberlain's Salve. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the child to nurse. Many trained nurses use this with the best results. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. M. Moretz, Boone, N. C. and Blowing Rock Drug Co., Blowing Rock, N. C.

Mr. W. L. Killian tells us that all hands at the nursery are busy this week preparing the ground and planting 100 bushels of peach seed. The ground is well plowed and harrowed and then furrowed off like corn rows in which fertilizer and ashes are put. About 10 bushels of seeds are planted to the acre and covered three inches deep. They come up in the spring, and at one year old are ready to be grafted.—Newton Enterprise.

Senator Tillman was in his element yesterday when he found somebody he could "cuss." In this case it was the much-abused President of the United States. The way the Gentleman from the Palmetto State scored his Excellence was a caution! He declared that the President was patriotic and meant to do right, but that he was so on having his own way that he was wont to trample the sacred constitution under his unhallowed feet in accomplishing his desires. The Senator dealt out some pretty warm invective and, as is his custom, it was delivered from the shoulder, without any apology to man or beast.—Charlotte News.

### IN PRAISE OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

There is no other medicine manufactured that has received so much praise and so many expressions of gratitude as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effective, and prompt relief follows its use. Grateful parents everywhere do not hesitate to testify to its merits for the benefit of others. It is a certain cure for croup and will prevent the attack if given at the first appearance of the disease. It is especially adapted to children as it is pleasant to take and contains nothing injurious. Mr. E. A. Humphrey, a well known resident and clerk in the store of Mr. E. Lock, of Alice, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to ward off croup and colds in my family. I found it to be very satisfactory and it gives me pleasure to recommend it." For sale by all Dealers—Boone, N. C., and Blowing Rock Drug Co., Blowing Rock, N. C.

### "Indigent" Means "Indigent."

Some of the papers of the State seem to think that the hospital for the insane should be open for the rich as well as the poor and give as their reasons that the institutions are run by the taxes of the rich and poor alike. We admit this, and so are the county homes of the State and in accordance with their argument any one should be admitted to the county home, because their taxes run these institutions. It is regretted that the rich insane have no place in this State at which to receive treatment. We agree with these brethren in the statement that very few have the means to pay for treatment at a hospital, and we further claim that if not they come under the provisions of the law and will be admitted to the State hospital. We have a case here in our jail at the present time. A woman who is insane and owns a little farm, but she also has two small children to live off that farm, and if this property was turned into money there would not be enough to keep her a year in a private institution. Let those who are able to pay go to some other institution, and if they are not let them enter the State institution.—Iredell County Mascot.

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The meeting of the directors of the two North Carolina Insane Asylums revealed the fact that there were as many as four and, possibly, five, of the inmates of these institutions who are able to pay their way elsewhere! My, but isn't that a corker? One would have supposed by reading many of the papers of the State that our hospitals were crowded with the wealthy to the exclusion of the poor patients. When the facilities for taking care of the insane are sufficiently enlarged, this problem will be solved, and not until then.

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### NOTICE

North Carolina, Watauga county, in the Superior Court before the Clerk, Adolphus Penley, Adm., of Adolphus Penley Sir., decd., vs. Roby Penley, M. A. Robbins and husband, J. P. Robbins, Alice Story and husband, J. B. Story, J. P. Robbins, guardian of Joe Penley, Wade Penley and Luther Penley.

By virtue of an order of the clerk of the superior court of Watauga county made in the above entitled cause, I, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at the court house door in Boone, N. C. on the 1st day of Jan., 1906, at public auction for one half the purchase money cash and the remainder in six months the following described real estate situated in Watauga county and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning on two white pines, Lenoir's corner, and runs north 10 poles to a small double chestnut, then east 25 poles to a black gum, then north 52 poles to a stake, then east 7 poles to a white pine and chestnut oak near a small cliff, thence south 68d, east 180 poles to a spruce pine and mahogany on the bank of Dugger's creek below the mill seat, south 85d. west with conditional line 14 poles to a stake in the Day line 140 poles to a stake in Lenoir line, then west with the Lenoir line to the beginning. Said sale will be made at the hour of 1 p. m., This Nov. 27 1905.

F. A. LINNEY, Commissioner.

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