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## LOCAL NEWS.

—It now seems high time that the Democrats are getting busy.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Coffey are with relatives in Caldwell this week.

—J. D. Council has been very unwell for a few days, but is better now.

—Glad to see friend McCoy Moritz, of Hickory, in town this week.

—Rev. J. H. Brendall will preach at Blowing Rock next Sunday forenoon.

—Lawyer Fletcher left yesterday morning on a business trip to Salisbury.

—A number of the Training School teachers left yesterday for a visit to Grandfather.

—Dr. Little talks out in meeting this week. His letter in another column explains itself.

—The third Quarterly Conference for Boone circuit will be held at Hopewell church on August 22-23.

—So far they have failed to "strike it" at Mast, but those interested are not in the least discouraged.

—Little Miss Jean Jones, of Alleghany county, is with her brother, Dr. J. W. Jones, for a four weeks visit.

—Sorry to know that Vilas Cottrell is right sick at the home of his brother in Boone. His physician tells us, however, that he is some better.

—The Cole & Cooper Shows were pulled off here Tuesday, a large crowd being in attendance. The exhibit was fairly good for a show of its class.

—Will Graybeal and family, of Washington College, Tennessee, passed through last week en route to Ashe county, for a few days visit to relatives there.

—Mrs. Richard Gragg and daughter, Miss Daisy, returned Monday evening from a visit of a week to Bluff City, Tenn. Miss Daisy goes in a few days to Hibriten, Caldwell county, to teach.

—Miss Pansy Green, daughter of Rev. George Green, a missionary to China, is visiting at the home of her cousin, R. M. Green. The young lady is a teacher in the Lenoir graded school.

—J. Arthur Wilson, a graduate of the A T S, opened school at Sandy Flat (Cone School) Monday morning. Both the school and Mr. Wilson are to be congratulated—good location, splendid teacher.

—Lost, on the 18th ult., between Boone and Blowing Rock, a child's blue overcoat, trimmed in large pearl buttons. Finder will please return to this office or Blowing Rock Mercantile Co. and receive reward.

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## Coach Colt Show.

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W. E. SHIPLEY.

—Mrs. W. A. Watson is making an effort to get the little Blair children into the Barium Springs orphanage. Their condition at home is pitiful indeed, abject poverty and mother most critically ill. May the lady succeed and that quickly.

—All persons indebted to me are hereby notified that settlements must be made at once. I will, unless this notice is duly heeded, take immediate steps to collect all debts of more than six months standing. Please save yourselves cost and me trouble by settling immediately.—J. W. Jones, M. D.

—James Benfield, son of Mr. John Benfield, of Blowing Rock, died on the 27th ult, at Greensboro of typhoid fever. His body was sent home for burial, and was to have been buried at Brushy Fork, but when it reached Blowing Rock it was deemed best to bury there at once. Our sympathy goes out to the family in their awful sorrow. The young man was 24 years old.

—Editor Holbrook, of the Hickory Democrat, has our deepest sympathy in the death of his accomplished and popular wife, which occurred Sunday morning last. The good lady before her marriage taught at Shulls Mills, this county, and won very many friends who will bear her death with much sorrow. A husband and three children, the youngest only two weeks old, survive her.

—As we are ready to close our forms we are told that Oscar Hodges, son of Dr. Hodges, was right badly, if not seriously hurt this, Wednesday morning, by falling from and being run over by a wagon near Poplar Grove. His father and brothers went to him at once, and we have heard nothing from him since. Hope however, that he is not so seriously hurt as first thought.

—Joseph Linney, of Alexander, a student here, went with his uncle, R. Z. Linney, to his mountain home on Monday of last week, and spent the night there. Tuesday afternoon he decided to take a stroll to the Big Bald, a mile away, notifying his uncle that he would soon return. The darkness settled upon Mother Earth, and Joe failed to put in appearance. Days and nights came and went, diligent search was instituted, but still no tidings came from the wanderer. After about all hopes of his recovery from the mountain fastnesses had been abandoned, here came a letter from him from the State of Wilkes. We were all delighted that the lost had been located, but the Hon. R. Z. was much worried that the young fellow should keep in such terrible suspense so long.

—J. Montgomery Wellborne, of Transon, Ashe county, was a caller at this office Monday. He entered his name on our list and informed us that should he be elected to the Senate this fall (he has already been nominated on the Republican ticket) two of his main objects will be to do more for the schools and put forth his best efforts towards securing railroad facilities for our mountain counties. These planks in his platform we heartily endorse.

—Rev. Columbus Kenedy, the blind preacher who has been at the Blair House for a week or more left for his home at Mt. Mourne, Iredell Co., yesterday. He preached twice while in the village and preached well. To us, this Godly man is a wonderful man. Born blind, his parents set about educating him and having a very bright mind he took it. He got a partial course at Davidson College and a Theological course afterwards. For 73 years the old man has traveled "Life's dusty way" without ever having seen any of the beauties God so lavishly scattered by the way, but we love to believe that when its all over, the eyes that saw not on earth will feast on the glories of the land where the inhabitants have no infirmities.

## The Republican County Convention.

The Republican County Convention held in Boone last Saturday was most largely attended as a good per cent of the best element of the party were candidates for some of the various offices in Watauga. Long before the convention assembled it was evident that there was much dissatisfaction among the faithful, and just as evident that a tempest was brewing.

The convention assembled and Thos. Bingham was elected temporary Chairman and Roy M. Brown as temporary Secretary. The organization was made permanent, and the convention was declared ready for business. The first thing of interest was the withdrawal of Dr. Hodges from the Legislative contest, notwithstanding the fact that he came before the body with enough votes to give him the nomination on first ballot. This was brought about by a damaging report, said the doctor, set afloat by some member or members of his party, for the purpose of defeating him. His speech was full of fire, and he must have made it clear to the minds of his hearers that he prized reputation far more than he did the nomination for an office, and his election not a certainty at that.

Dr. McD. Little then withdrew from the contest, leaving the field clear for the nomination of M. H. Norris, which was made on first ballot. A very pointed article in another column from the pen of Dr. Little sets forth his ideas of the convention and methods adopted.

The contest for Sheriff was soon brought to a close, not, however, until all of the other aspirants—several of the best men in the party—had withdrawn, J. C. Harman coming in with majority that would have nominated him on the first ballot, had all his opponents remained in the field. He was unanimously nominated on first ballot.

W. N. Thomas and Roy Critcher came into the convention pitted for Treasurer, but Critcher withdrew and Thomas was given the nomination the first pass.

R. W. Gragg was nominated for Register of Deeds, after the withdrawal of Smith Harman, his only opponent.

L. A. Green, Emsley Eggers and Thomas Day were nominated for Commissioners and Lucky Weaver for Coroner.

Delegates to the State convention, M. B. Blaekburn, F. A. Linney, et al, were then elected after which the gathering was addressed at length by R. Z. Linney.


It is useless to say that the ticket is composed of as good men as the party could scare up, of course that's true, but there has never been, so far as we can remember, so much dissatisfaction openly expressed by Republicans, as there is now over the tactics adopted prior to the convention.

## NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County, Fall Term, 1908. Robert Mast vs. J. A. Mast, administrator of J. J. Mast, dec'd, Will W. Holselaw and J. C. Smith, sureties.

The defendant, J. A. Mast above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Watauga county to recover the sum of about \$75.00 and interest on the same due by the defendant's intestate to the plaintiff in this action, same being due by note given to plaintiff said J. A. Mast deceased; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the superior court of said county to be held on the 14th day of September 1908, it being the second Monday in said month, at the court house in said county in Boone, N. C. and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 28th day of July 1908.

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