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Special attention given to all business entrusted to the care of 7-9-'09.

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You do not run your buggy, sewing machine or other machinery till it squeaks and grinds and cuts itself to pieces. You clean and oil it often. You should be as careful with your watch. It is small and cannot squeak loud when it is dry and needs oiling. You may not know it till the watch is completely ruined and stops. Bring your watch to me I will show you and explain the exact condition. Take proper care of your watch and it will last you a life time. Consult with me on Watch Diseases.

Yours Very Truly,
S. M. GREENE, Jeweler.
Blonville, N. C. R. F. D.

The "F. B. and W." Over The Blue Ridge.

Monroe Journal.

Some time ago the editor of The Journal had the pleasure of giving his readers some first hand observations on Hyde county, and as they seemed to have been very much enjoyed by many readers, doubtless some paragraphs gleamed from a trip to the other extreme of the State and in a section so totally dissimilar as to seem to belong almost to another hemisphere, would prove equally interesting. This trip, beginning at the thriving town of Elkin in Surry, extended through Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga and Wilkes.

The traveler left the railroad at Elkin and with driver and good team went to Sparta, thence to Jefferson, thence to Boone, and back to the railroad at Wilkesboro, at which point the steam horse makes his farthest progress towards the mountains of that section. There was a trip of 130 miles, twice across the Blue Ridge, which took just an even week of laborious travel over the rough line known as the F. B. and W.—"four bulls and a wagon." The time required to make that distance would have been more than enough to make two visits from Monroe to New York.

The three little county seat villages of Sparta, Jefferson and Boone nestle in the fastnesses of the hills, far from the stir of the fast moving world, but they will one day be the capitals of three of North Carolina's finest counties. Travelling from county seat to county seat along the most public roads, one probably sees conditions better than the average, but judging from what can be seen along this route, there is little to justify the adverse opinions often expressed regarding the country and the people of this section. Of course the isolation is a fearful drawback, and there is but one pardon there—transportation. Give this section even moderate facilities, and county road improvement, and it will be a credit to the State. Transportation stands at the beginning of all improvement there. Schools and churches cannot solve the problem, because the young people will not stay in any section, however otherwise attractive, which never hears the shriek of a locomotive. The people are simply locked in their mountains, and travel hard enough and difficult as it is in the summer, becomes practically impossible during the long and severe winter. The people are keenly alive to the situation and look forward hopefully to the day when the grandeur of the counties will be opened to the world by quick and easy travel.

From Elkin to the foot of the mountain the State is using a number of convicts in grading a road which it is hoped will eventually reach Sparta, and possibly Jefferson, though Ashe and Watauga are more longingly looking toward Wilkesboro and Lenoir for railroad connection. Till either steam or electric cars go over the mountains, progress is at a standstill; while once given these facilities, the three counties of Ashe, Alleghany and Watauga will develop like magic. The arable land is fertile and very little of the most rugged mountains but what will be the finest grazing lands to be found. A rich soil will make a fine people anywhere under a liberal form of government and transportation facilities. These people have the soil and the climate, and just as soon as they become able to market their products, their country will indeed be a favored

one. The mountains are clothed with the finest timber and the pasture lands are carpeted with the finest grasses, while the valleys and meadows are either growing the finest corn, wheat, rye and buckwheat or are covered knee-deep with timothy, red top and clover.

The mountain farmer, possessed of mountain pasture and cultivated meadow, has a cinch. His fine cattle, mostly Herefords and Durhams, wax fat and grow on blue grass pasture in summer and are fed in winter from the mowings from the valleys. A 2-year-old steer, largely making his own living, weighing 800 and selling of the pasture gate for four cents per pound gross, is no mean basis of prosperity. All through these counties are the finest farms of high value, and land that sells now from \$25 to \$100 per acre will have an immense value when opened to the outside world. It will one day be the blue grass section of North Carolina. The people who are fooling themselves with the "poor mountain whites" stories so often heard will find their mistake. Such a soil and climate don't make the "poor white" kind of folks. In all this trip not one person was seen under the influence of drink and fewer oaths were heard than one would hear in a large hotel lobby in one hour. Churches are thick and there are fifty preachers in Watauga county alone. On Saturday noon the traveller found himself at a large white church house on the roadside and a meeting was in progress. Good teams were hitched in the yard and the church was filled with well dressed, intelligent people. It was a Primitive Baptist church.

The county superintendent of Watauga said that his schools never fell short of four months, and at Boone 150 teachers were taking the summer course in the Appalachian Training School, a fine new institution established by the State. At "Meat Camp" a famous rendezvous of Daniel Boone, the night was spent in the home of a farmer who has refused \$7,000 for his farm, and lying about were souvenirs that the owner had brought from the Jamestown and St. Louis expositions. At another home in which the night was spent there were pictures on every wall, carpets on the floor, sets of Irving, Shakespeare and other worthies on the shelves. While this gives the bright side, the dark side is there of course, but it is chiefly in the loneliness and inaccessibility. And unless these are cleared the country must go back instead of forward. As drainage is the problem of Hyde, transportation is the problem of Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga.

Nothing has been said of the marvelous beauty and picturesqueness of the country. From the time one ascends the mountain at Roaring Gap and views the expanse of hill and valley below, with grand old Pilot against the sky line 30 miles away, until he comes down the mountain again towards Wilkesboro, there is one succession of grandeur and beauty in rushing streams, velvet valleys and mountain heights.

When the stomach fails to perform its functions, the bowels become deranged, the liver and the kidneys congested causing numerous diseases. The stomach and liver must be restored to a healthy condition and Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets can be depended upon to do it. Easy to take and most effective. Sold by all druggists.

Anti-Hookworm Elysium.

Charlotte News.

As we progress, theories, as well as individuals and insects are relegated. It was once considered fatal to give a patient suffering with typhoid water or ice. To-day they are strengthened by it. Once the house fly was considered one of the harmless handiaps to human happiness—a thing to be tolerated as man endures boils or heat. But the scrutinizing slench of medical lore found the festive fly to be a formidable enemy to health, as well as happiness. As a disseminator of germs he is said to be without an equal. Consequently a well organized movement is afoot an eternal quiet to the fly. His days are numbered. The mosquito has long since been tabooed. The house rat is on the anxious seat and a verdict of guilty is momentarily expected.

All of which may be introduced as a sort of preamble to a little dissertation on the esteemed hookworm. Dispatches of last week state that already agents have been appointed to handle the Rockefeller anti-hookworm funds in this State, and that an energetic campaign is forthwith planned. Success to it. The hookworm is no friend of ours, and not one drop of brine will we spare if all of his race, kindred and kin, be blotted from the face of the earth. Not necessarily a fatal menace, is the hookworm, but more distinctly a nuisance, an annoyance and a purloiner of vitality and strength. In other words, he is a sort of forerunner of other maladies. After putting the human anatomy in a dilapidated condition, stolen the sap of life, reduced the combative force, and accomplished and all round state of physical weakness he gracefully steps aside to the various and sundry germs of other diseases, to enter the weakened body and accomplish the end.

For these reasons alone it is highly imperative that the hookworm be put on the shelf. Then, too, he is said to be responsible for the general laziness which begets mankind. What marvels we shall behold in that glorious era, not far distant, when the hookworm shall be no more. There will be no lounging in the shade; no whittling of dry goods boxes; no yawning horde to dot the street; no disposition to stay abed late; no sleeping in church—but imagination fails to pursue the trend.

Suffice it to say that the removal of the hookworm is a consummation altogether to be sought after—and one which will work revolutions in this vale of tears.

All strength to those who seek his scalp.

Those Pies of Boyhood.

How delicious were the pies of boyhood. No pies now ever taste so good. What's changed? The pies? No, it's you. You've lost the strong, healthy stomach, the vigorous liver, the active kidneys, the regular bowels of boyhood. Your digestion is poor and you blame the food. What's needed? A complete toning up by Electric Bitters of all organs of digestion—Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, bowels—try them. They'll restore your boyhood appetite and appreciation of food and fairly saturate your body with new health, strength and vigor. 50c at all druggists.

Salisbury Post: All that needs be said in placing the biggest man in North Carolina in nomination for its biggest office can be said in 15 minutes.

The Australian Ballot.

Asheville citizen.

It is almost six years since The Citizen first advocated the Australian ballot for North Carolina, and while it has seen a bill looking to that end smothered to death in the committee room, (the yawning grave of so many measures that made for the public good) it believes that the day is not far distant when this almost perfect form of ballot will be established in the Old North State. Men of all parties who have studied the question do not hesitate to endorse the Australian ballot, for it is, without doubt the nearest expression of the people's will that can be cited.

The most appealing point of the Australian ballot is its fairness. It is fair to the candidate as well as to the voter. The chances of graft, corruption and bribery are reduced a thousand fold, while the vote seller, the Benedict Arnold of politics, finds no field for his nefarious trade. The Australian ballot, if adopted in North Carolina, would do away with meaningless primaries in that the voter would cast his ballot directly for the candidate who would be really elected by the popular vote. And it is this expression of the vote that is sought, in all elections.

We have said that the Australian ballot is fair, and it is so because of its secrecy. After the ballot is once placed in the hands of the voter, and he can get only one, nobody but his God and himself knows he voted unless he chooses to tell, and even that action, taken within earshot of the election officers, would disqualify him.

It is natural that the old fashioned political boss and ward heeler should not look with favor on the Australian ballot, since it robs these worthies of much of their power. But we are not now living in an age when such agencies of these shall control mankind. This a day when the people are moving for greater freedom, and North Carolina will have sounded a call that will reach from mountain to seashore when she adopts the Australian ballot for the whole state.

Napoleon's Gift

Was of the unconquerable, never-say-die kind, the kind that you need most when you have a bad cold, cough or lung disease. Suppose troches, cough syrups, cod liver oil or doctors have all failed, don't lose heart or hope. Take Dr. King's New Discovery. Satisfaction is guaranteed when used for any throat or lung trouble. It has saved thousands of sufferers. It masters stubborn colds, obstinate coughs, hemorrhages, lagrip, croup, asthma, hay fever and whooping cough and it is the most safe and certain remedy for all bronchial affections. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

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For Internal and External Pains.

Meeker—Just one year ago today I led my wife to the altar.

Bleeker—You did, eh?

Meeker—Yes; and then and there my leadership ended.

Furniture & Coffins.

At our store you will find the most up-to-date line of Furniture, Dressers, Sideboards, Bedsteads, Tables, etc., ever shown in the county. We also carry a full line of Coffins and Caskets in mahogany, gloss-white, white and black plush and plushette, of all sizes. Call and see our line. Best attention given to phone orders. Yours to please.
Boone Furniture Store,
(At Moretz Old Stand)

BANK REPORT.

Following is a report of the condition of the bank of Blowing Rock at Blowing Rock in the state of North Carolina, at the close of business June 30, 1910:

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	\$20,327.58
Overdrafts unsecured	26.79
Banking house	1,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,439.19
Due from b'ks and b'krs	1,935.26
Cash items	50.00
Gold coin	1,038.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency, National bank notes and other U. S. notes	953.18
Total	26,769.18

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock	\$10,300.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	163.41
Time certificates of deposit	6,185.66
Deposits subject to check	9,120.81
Due to b'ks and b'krs	1,000.00
Total	\$26,769.88

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, ss: I, G. M. Sudderth, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. M. SUDDERTH, Cashier.
Correct—Attest: C. J. Parlier, W. L. Holshouser, J. B. Clarke, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July, 1910:
J. B. CLARKE, Notary Public

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Entrance examinations at each county seat on the 14th of July.
D. H. HILL, President,
West Raleigh, N. C.

Prayed Too Plainly, Sued for Libel.

Dr. R. B. Fisher, pastor of the Neoga, Ill., Presbyterian church, is defendant in a suit for libel brought by Jacob Strohl for \$5,000 because the preacher prayed "a most" too plainly for Strohl's welfare. "O Lord," prayed the minister, right in church, "O Lord, make Brother Strohl a better man; cause him to pay his debts and have him cease backbiting." Other defects in the character of the brother were touched upon, startling both Strohl and the congregation.

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing entarrh of the bladder, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, head ache, back ache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and better health in that organ is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. Swamp-Root corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest because of its remarkable health restoring properties. A trial will convince anyone. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, and don't let a dealer sell you something in place of Swamp-Root—if you do you will be disappointed.