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Having purchased all the stock in the business of the Boone Furniture Co., I am prepared to sell you anything in my line at a very reasonable figure. Dressers, Bureaus, Chairs, Bedsteads, Bed Springs, Mattresses, etc. Give me a call when in need of anything in the line of furniture.

Store in Watauga County Bank Building.
Respectfully,
JESSE F. ROBBINS.

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—ATTORNEY AT LAW—
—BOONE, N. C.—

Prompt attention given to all matters of a legal nature. Abstracting titles and connection of claims a specialty.

1-1 '11.

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I have been putting much study on this subject; have received my diploma, and am now well equipped for the practice of Veterinary Surgery in all its branches, and am the only one in the county. Call on or address me at Vitas, N. C. R. F. D. 1.

G. H. HAYES,
Veterinary Surgeon.

5-17-11.

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— DENTIST —
Sugar Grove, North Carolina.
All work done under guarantee, and best material used.

4-13-11.

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— SPECIALIST —
On INTERNAL MEDICINE and diseases of the EYE, EAR, NOSE and THROAT. Eyes examined for glasses.

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EDMUND JONES

— LAWYER —
— LENOR, N. C. —
Will practice regularly in the Courts of Watauga, 6-1 '11.

L. D. LOWE,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,
BANNER ELK, N. C.
Will practice in the courts Watauga, Mitchell and adjoining counties. 7-6-11.

F. A. LINNEY,

— ATTORNEY AT LAW —
BOONE, N. C.
Will practice in the courts of the 13th Judicial District in all matters of a civil nature. 6-11-1911.

J. C. FLETCHER,

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

W. R. LOVILL

— ATTORNEY AT LAW, —
— BOONE, N. C. —
Special attention given to all business entrusted to his care. 7-9-10.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY PILLS

FOR SACRINE KIDNEY AND DIAPHRAGM

UNITED FRUIT GROWERS

Western North Carolina, One Hundred Thousand Dollars Authorized Capital Stock.
Special Correspondent:

There has been much agitation of late for the betterment of conditions in and around Wilkes county and its twin cities but last Saturday a meeting was held for the consideration of the stupendous, the most momentous, the paramount issue which confronts the people of Western North Carolina, that of the organization of a fruit and truck growers co-operative association and the name chosen by this meeting for this association was the United Fruit Growers of Western N. C. This Association has not been organized to antagonize or compete with any other association and its members may belong to any such, organized for advancement of Horticulture along educational lines.

The influence of such an association shall be directly felt by every resident of Wilkes, Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany and Alexander counties and indirectly by every fruit consumer in this entire country. The consumption of such plans shall inhabit every nook and cranny of this section with fruit trees, shall enhance the value of our lands from 20 to 25 dollars per acre to 200, 500 yea even 1,000 dollars per acre. Then will we see railroads and wagon roads as you see them. It isn't sentiment that builds railroads it is the freight that needs to be hauled. It isn't talk that builds wagon roads it is money and elbow grease, and there are no such things as county commissioners who would not authorize even the macadamizing of every foot of public roads in all these counties if only the people demanded it and furnished the money with the development of this section of its natural wealth justifies will get the money and will have the railroads and wagon roads and no worry about that.

In all respect to agriculture, it is not an agricultural section because its contour does not so aptly suit agriculture but of all this grand country it is the section par excellence for producing fruit and truck. The Almighty Creator has indeed been kind in giving us advantages not shown to any other section. He put such flavor and color in our fruit that no wonder it takes the grand sweep stakes prize at the National Horticultural Congress and first prizes wherever exhibited. He has given us a climate so kind and so congenial we can with intelligent care expect a full crop nearly every year. He has caused 20 millions of people to choose to live at our very doors, whose mouths are watering for the good things we have to offer and whose pocket-books are open to pay for them. From North Wilkesboro we can reach more people in 24 hours by mail or express than the whole Pacific slope fruit section can reach in 84 hours.

To all not native here, 'tis the land of adoption, because it is the best, it is veritably a land of promise. It is a fruit country first and foremost, made especially for that and we do not utilize it as such, we are extravagant—we are wasting God's bounteous gifts. But in the report of the Commissioner of Agriculture for 1911, page 196, State of North Carolina, which report any one has for the asking, says speaking of mountain apples: "These apples are so poorly handled and reach the market in such sorry shape that they bring only half, or less than half, their value—say 33 to

50 cents per bushel. One grower took the advice to select his apples carefully and pack them in barrels and hauling them to Asheville realized \$1.00 a bushel for them. But this is no exceptional case, then the general run of people preferring to throw big and little, good and bad, together in a wagon bed and haul them over bad roads to market where they arrive braised and mangled and bringing only 33 to 50 cents per bushel.

"There is no finer fruit in the world than these North Carolina mountain apples. He would be a philanthropist indeed, who would go among all our mountain people and tell them what to do with this element of wealth which a beneficent Providence has placed in their hands."

WE are the mountain people our noble Commissioner refers to. Are we ever going to be referred to in this way again? Not if the United Fruit Growers can have the support it deserves.

We need and must have a Fruit Growers Association in North Wilkesboro; we need it to rally our efforts; we need it to get the most for what we produce; we need it to pay the least for what we buy; we need it to buy for us that which we want and need but, individually, don't know how to get; we need it to hunt markets we could not otherwise find, we need it to intercede with the railroads and secure just and equitable rates to these various markets; we need it to advertise our country and its products and bring reinforcements to our cause; we need it, friends and neighbors, to double the value of our efforts, of our lands, to help to build our roads and our school houses and bring our children up with advantages equal to the best. And this Association will do that very thing. It has been done, is being done in other places, and can and will be done here.

But everything of value costs something. You can't expect something for nothing. To be helped by the Association you must help it. The plans as discussed and adopted in the first informal meeting were practically those of the most successful Fruit Growers Association in the world, that of the Grand Junction Fruit Growers Association, Grand Junction, Colorado, which virtually is a stock company, issuing to any fruit grower stock certificates par value of \$5 each upon which an annual dividend is earned making it as well, an attractive investment so that members may get all benefits of co-operation without any actual expense but rather make better interest on the investment than banks could offer.

There will be another meeting of the stockholders of the United Fruit Growers Association at the Board of Trade Rooms in North Wilkesboro on Sat. Feb. 3, at 1 o'clock, p. m. The secretary's books will be open for the sale of stock and any fruit grower in Wilkes, Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany and Alexander counties may have an opportunity to subscribe for at least one share of stock, but may buy one share for every ten trees he actually owns and at the same time have a voice in the compilation of the organization.

C. M. SMOOT, Pres. Pro Tem.
M. L. TOWNSEND, Sec.

Do you know that more real danger lurks in a common cold than in any other of the minor ailments? The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, a thoroughly reliable preparation, and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. This remedy is for sale by all dealers.

A Land Without a Woman.

There is a womanless republic on a peninsula south of Macedonia, in Greece, where 10,000 men live, studying and praying constantly and where policemen guard the course to keep out women pilgrims and other persons who would make undesirable guests. Prof. Casper Rees Gregory, theologian of the University of Leipzig, student of Biblical manuscripts, who located at Kansas City recently, at the Fine Arts Institute told of this most unique of all countries.

"The place is Mt. Athos, classic peninsula of Atke, the easternmost of three little peninsulas below Macedonia," Prof. Gregory explained. "It is called the Mount of the Twenty Monasteries and was used in ancient times as a signal station to Asia Minor. It is a real republic. There are 10,000 monks there, who govern without interference from Turkey or any other country. There are, however, no president or other officers.

"The only police in force is composed of men who patrol the coast to keep out women and men who have no permit to enter this most exclusive of countries. Only those who have a letter of permission from the Greek patriarch in Constantinople are ever allowed to enter the holy place. The holder of the letter must present it in Karyes, the village capital of the peninsula."

Some reports have it, Prof. Gregory said that this republic was formed in the ninth century. It is said that the foot of a woman has not touched the soil of the place for centuries. All the monks represent the Greek Catholic church. They work the soil some, but live chiefly upon contributions from pilgrims. Probably the greatest collection of Biblical manuscripts is in the monasteries of the republic.

It is the most interesting place in the world for the student of the Bible," the doctor said. "I have been there three times and I will never tire of going. There are monasteries thousands of Greek manuscripts, and hundreds of them are connected with the New Testament. Hundreds of students have studied many of these manuscripts carefully, but there are other other manuscripts that have not been read carefully. It may be that discoveries, valuable to the Bible scientists, will emanate yet from this great storehouse of manuscripts."—Kansas City Journal.

Beware Of Ointments For Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no Mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system in buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A woman seldom hears the truth except from her husband—and she isn't always sure of it then.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

As We Sow, We Shall Reap.

Broken in health and with spirits crushed, a thin, gaunt, disheveled old man, by name Charles W. Morse, was liberated from the federal penitentiary a day or two since. It is not, however, by any manner of means the same Charles W. Morse who went into that prison more than two years ago.

True, he is legally the same, but alas, heart-pangs, remorse, and shame have left their mark upon him and upon his body and it is doubtful if ever again the brilliant, wonderful business man will ever come back to that gaunt, bent form that has been turned out of the prison walls of Atlanta to die.

Morse was convicted in the courts of flagrant violations of the national banking laws. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent to keep him from paying the penalty of his misdeeds, but the federal legal mills in this instance, like the mills of the gods, ground slowly, "but exceedingly fine." He was put into prison walls, and according to news paper reports, subjected to all of the degradations that the murderer, highway robber and thief in the catalogue of criminology suffer. Now he is liberated, but he is yet more of a convict than a freeman, for he has not been restored to citizenship. His loving wife has stood by him with remarkable faithfulness, never for a minute since he was convicted has she rested from her labor to free him from prison and this is the one bright jewel in a life tragedy.

The moral is plain. It is merely the inexorable law that as we sow we reap, so shall we reap. Sin will be punished. They may be delayed and many a cut-throat who should have been hanged higher than Haman, has gone down to the grave unaccompanied and apparently as nonchalantly an innocent babe. But, ah! who believes a day of reckoning will not come to all such?—Winston Journal.

The Danger of LaGrippe.

Is its fatal tendency to pneumonia? To cure your lagrippe take Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. R. E. Fisher, Washington, Kos., says: "I was troubled with a severe attack of lagrippe that threatened pneumonia. A friend advised Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and I got relief after taking the first few doses. I took three bottles and my lagrippe was cured." Get the genuine, in the yellow package. For sale by all dealers.

Don't flatter yourself that friendship authorizes you to say disagreeable things to your intimates. On the contrary, the nearer you come into a relation with a person, the more necessary do tact and courtesy become. Except in cases of necessity, which are rare, leave your friend to learn unpleasant truths from his enemies; they are ready enough to tell them.—O. W. Holmes.

Almost Lost His Life.

S. A. Soid, of Mason, Mich., will never forget his terrible exposure to a merciless storm. "It gave me a dreadful cold," he writes, "that caused severe pains in my chest, so it was hard for him to breathe. A neighbor gave me several doses of Dr. King's New Discovery which brought me great relief. The doctor said I was on the verge of pneumonia, but to continue with the Discovery. I did so and two bottles completely cured me." Use only this quick, safe, and reliable medicine for coughs, colds, or any throat or lung trouble. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all Druggists.

Science on the Farm.

The day has passed when the advocates of scientific methods of farming are sneered at, for it has been demonstrated that the scientific farmer has left his less progressive neighbor far to the rear. It has come to be a well known edict that Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist of the Department of Agriculture, says in an article in the February Century, that farming requires the greatest industry the keenest intellect and the best training of all professions. Dr. Wiley further says that that a day's skilled labor on the farm at the present time produces twice as much food as fifty years ago. Paying cash for food is a burden to the farmer which is well nigh intolerable; and yet if he does his own work he must either have a very large family of boys and girls, who none ever are likely to leave him as they approach their majority. What then are we to do to stop the drawing of the best blood of the farm to the city? The answer it seems to him is a simple one; make the farm a more productive place than the city and its prospects for a career more certain. When the people come back from the city to the farm he pictures the farm in the future it will not be to find a life of dreary labor, but rather to engage in an occupation which will command intelligence, with knowledge and best business capacity. When the city comes back to the country, it will come with culture, with intelligence and with knowledge. The science and art of agriculture drafted into service, as it is doing at the present time, every other science will so increase productivity that no Malthus nor Sir William Crookes will ever arise again and prophesy starvation for humanity.—Charlotte Chronicle.

If a young man isn't fired with enthusiasm over his job, he may find himself fired with enthusiasm by his employer later.

MUSTANG LINIMENT

CURED A BAD SPRAIN.
Mr. B. H. Levy, Jackson, N.C., writes: "My horse had a very bad case of sprain and nothing did any good until I got Mustang Liniment. I rubbed the same on the sprain with the finger and thumb and in an hour it was gone. I did this three or four times a day and my horse was completely cured. It is sure to cure if properly used."

MUSTANG LINIMENT

FOR HORNET STINGS.
Mr. S. J. Hudson, Newburn, N.C., writes: "I have had Mexican Mustang Liniment on a very variable horse for many years and it cured him. I always keep it in my stable and think it the best liniment for rubs and galls. It cures all kinds of sores. I have tried many other liniments but this is the best. It soothes all kinds of open wounds or burrs. Soothes all kinds of cuts. Just try it."

MUSTANG LINIMENT

CURES SWINNEY.
Mr. R. S. Shelton, Hill, N.C., writes: "I used Mexican Mustang Liniment on a very variable horse for many years and it cured him. I always keep it in my stable and think it the best liniment for rubs and galls. It cures all kinds of sores. I have tried many other liniments but this is the best. It soothes all kinds of open wounds or burrs. Soothes all kinds of cuts. Just try it."

MUSTANG LINIMENT

For BURNS and BRUISES.
Mr. W. V. Clifton, Raleigh, N.C., writes: "I kept a bottle of Mexican Mustang Liniment in my home continually for personal use. It is the finest thing in the world for chills, burns and bruises."

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