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Special attention given to all business entrusted to their care. 7-9-'10.

SOME EARLY NORTH CAROLINA HISTORY.

The Fourth of a Series of Historical Articles Written by L. D. Lowe, of Banner Elk, North Caro. for the Democrat.

After the creation of the State of Tennessee, and the western boundary of the State had become definitely established, the people seem to have become more reconciled and longer periods elapsed with regard to the creation of new counties, but geographical conditions were such that the citizens soon became tired of going along mountain trails to attend courts and transact other business at the court house fifty miles and more away. So in the year 1799 the county of Ashe was formed out of that portion of Wilkes lying west of the Appalachian mountains dividing the eastern from the western waters, and at that time the county was bounded on the east by the Appalachian chain; on the south by Burke County; on the west by the State of Tennessee, and on the north by the State of Virginia. The county was named in honor of Samuel Ashe, a prominent lawyer, who just a few years prior to the formation of the new county was Governor of the State. Jefferson, its chief town, was named in honor of Thomas Jefferson the third President of the United States. Jefferson, though more than a hundred years old, is very small of its age.

Many of the early Senators and Representatives of Ashe County bore the same familiar names of prominent families now scattered over the different parts of this territory, Hortons, Callows, McMillans, Bryans, Bairds, Rays, Bowers and numerous others. This territory began to become settled about 1755, and as the country was mountainous it was sparsely settled and the people made slow progress until roads could be built.

Yancey county was formed in 1833 from Burke and Buncombe and called in honor of Bartlett Yancey, and this, at this time was bounded on the north by the Iron Mountains, which separated it from the State of Tennessee. The county town, Burnsville, was named for Captain Otway Burns who was a brave soldier in war of 1812, and commanded a privateer called "The Snap-Drum," which did much mischief to the British, and was in several severe engagements.

It is to be observed that from the time of the formation of Wilkes from the county of Surry, in 1777, and the creation of Burke from a portion of Rowan, in the same year, the boundary line between Burke and Wilkes remained the same for a great number of years, not only between the two counties but between counties subsequently formed, so the old Burke County boundary line from the top of the Blue Ridge near Blowing Rock to the Tennessee line remained the same for a period of seventy-two years.

Ashe county held her territory in tact for quite a long time (except occasionally the Legislature at different intervals made changes along the borders of Ashe and Wilkes to suit the convenience of those who lived near the county line; and it is said on one occasion when a narrow strip was taken from Wilkes and attached to Ashe, the residence of an old lady passed with the transfer, very much to her gratification and on learning of her change of residence from one county to the other without being required to move her household affairs, she made this remark: "I am mighty glad the

county line has been changed and that I am now living in Ashe, as I always did think the milk and butter are so much better in Ashe than in Wilkes."

But like the treacherous volcano which is supposed to be extinct, after remaining quiet for a period of fifty years, the people in the southern part of Ashe became restless and thought they were capable of going to house-keeping for themselves, so in the year 1849, the county of Watauga was formed from the southern portion of Ashe and the northern part of Yancey. At the time Watauga was created its western boundary line was the Yelow Mountain on the Tennessee line. So it will be seen that after a period of seventy-two years the old Burke county line was obliterated; and while "that is certain which is capable of being made certain" is a well recognized legal principle, yet recent surveys have demonstrated that the true location of the old Burk county line is not at all free from doubt.

The population of Watauga in 1850 was 3,242 white; 20 free negroes; 129 slaves.

Like other portions of the state Watauga can point out places of interest and stories of the Revolution. Riddle Knob in this county derives its name from a circumstance of the capture of Colonel Benjamin Cleveland during the Revolution, by a party of Tories headed by a man of the name of Riddle. Cleveland had been a terror to the Tories. Two of their band (Jones and Coil) had been apprehended by him and hung. Cleveland had gone alone to the old fields on New River on private business, and was taken prisoner by the Tories. They demanded that he write out passes for them, and not being well skilled in penmanship, he was sometime preparing these papers, believing they would kill him after they had obtained the passes, he was in no great hurry. While thus engaged, Capt. Robert Cleveland, his brother, with a party, followed him, knowing the dangerous proximity of the Tories. They came up with the Tories and fired on them. Col. Cleveland slid off the log to prevent being shot, and he thus escaped instant destruction.

As Watauga County lies across the top of the Blue Ridge, dividing the eastern from the western waters, many rivers have their sources in this county: the head-spring of the Yaukin River is near Green Park Hotel at Blowing Rock, and New River just across the ridge only a short distance away, and the head of John's River only a short distance from the two; while Watauga River, Linville River and Elk River head very nearly together near the base of the Grandfather Mountain; and the Nolichucky when it reaches the Tennessee line has its rise only a few miles distant in what is now Avery County; and before the coming of the lumbermen and the steam sawmills these streams abounded with mountain trout.

Boone, the county town, was named in remembrance of the celebrated Daniel Boone, who erected a camp within a few hundred yards from the site of the present court house. How long Boone occupied this camp is not known, but it is likely that he remained here for some little time before proceeding further west, as at that time deer,

bear, wild turkeys and other kinds of game were quite numerous, he remained here until he became restless and desired to seek a more secluded spot to make his future home; and after leaving this place he visited it only occasionally as he passed back and forth, to and from Kentucky to his old home on the banks of the Yaukin. The old camp of Daniel Boone, in the town of Boone, is now marked by a neat concrete monument of twenty-six feet in height, erected under the supervision and largely at the expense of Mr. W. L. Bryan, a worthy citizen and the oldest resident in the town of Boone. Mr. Bryan is a great admirer of the celebrated pioneer and Indian fighter, and thought it eminently proper that a neat and substantial monument be erected as a token of respect to the memory of this great old man. And so far as the writer has any information, this monument is the only one of the kind that has been erected to Daniel Boone.

Boone prides itself as having the highest court house East of the Rocky Mountains, with an elevation of 3,332 feet; while Blowing Rock, with an elevation of 4,090 feet, can boast of its skyscrapers with one-story buildings. The Cone estate has large orchards of well selected fruits, two or three large lakes well stocked with brook and rainbow trout. Blowing Rock is a great summer resort, and if a railroad should be built across the Blue Ridge near the place its business would be greatly enhanced.

[To be continued.]

Pains in the Stomach.

If you continually complain of pains in the stomach, your liver or your kidneys are out of order. Neglect may lead to dropsy, kidney trouble, diabetes or Bright's disease. Thousands recommend Electric Bitters as the very best stomach and kidney medicine made. H. T. Alston, of Raleigh, N. C., who has suffered with pain in the stomach and back, writes: "My kidneys were deranged and my liver did not work right. I suffered very much, but Electric Bitters was recommended and I improved from the first dose. I now feel like a new man." It will improve you, too. Only 50c. and \$1. Recommended by all dealers.

Those who have the most happiness think the least about it. But in thinking about and doing their duty happiness comes—because the heart and mind are occupied with earnest thought that that touches at a thousand points the beautiful and sublime realities of the universe.—Thackeray.

Coughs and Consumption.

Coughs and colds, when neglected, always lead to serious trouble of the lungs. The wisest thing to do when you have a cold that troubles you is to get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery. You will get relief from the first dose, and finally the cough will disappear. O. H. Brown of Muscadine, Ala., writes: "My wife was down in bed with an obstinate cough, and I honestly believe had it not been for Dr. King's New Discovery she would not be living today." Known for forty-three years as the remedy for coughs and colds. Price 50c. and \$1. Recommended by all dealers.

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9-93-12.

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FOR BACKACHE, KIDNEY AND BLADDER

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. L. B. Hale, a Tar Heel editor, has secured the postoffice at Fayetteville.

A little princess was added to the royal family of Greece on May 4.

Mr. Wm. Estes died at his home in Collettsville this week aged 78 years.

Key West Fla. had a \$100,000 fire on the 7th inst. Several hundred men are consequently thrown out of employment.

Editor Clarence Poe, of the Progressive Farmer, will address the Pres. Gen. Assembly at Atlanta May the 18. He is billed for many addresses this month.

The Watauga and Yakin River Railroad will begin the operation of regular trains on its road June 9th.—Wilkes Patriot.

Lagrange has had a \$75,000 fire, which is the third destructive fire the place has had within the last three years.

A twelve-year-old child of R. L. Roland, who lived near Waynesville, lost its life in the fire which destroyed the home on the 4th.

The historic Astor House of New York, is to be razed soon to make way for the new subway. The property will be sold to the city.

A new explosive, said to be ten times more powerful than dynamite, has been discovered by Professor Arsene D'Arzonval, of the college of France, Paris.

Aleko Schinas, who assassinated the King of Greece recently, committed suicide on the 6th inst., by jumping from the window of a police station.

Mr. John T. Pullen, a prominent banker of Raleigh, died recently. He was 60 years old, and for 35 years he had been Superintendent of the penitentiary Sunday School.

The Charlotte Chronicle says, that Charlotte spent 66,000 on new residences last month, and that the real estate men find it hard to supply the demand for new homes of all sorts.

The United States Government has purchased the Chesapeake and Albemarle Canal. This will make a free toll canal from Norfolk to Beaufort. It cost the Government \$500,000 in cash.

Miss Esther Cleveland who has recently made her debut in Washington enjoys the distinction of being the only child born to a President of the United States in the White House.

On May 15, representatives from the four great Presbyterian organizations of the world, will convene in Atlanta, Ga. The session will continue for 16 days and many prominent speakers will be heard.

William Chitney Borden, a missionary to Egypt, died recently, leaving an estate worth a million dollars, which he willed to foreign Missions, except \$100,000 which was set aside to build a home for aged missionaries.

A special to the Charlotte Observer states that contracts have been let for the construction of three dreadnaughts in Japanese yards. They will be companion ships to the Fuso, the displacement of which is 30,000 tons.

Francis Landrey Patton has resigned as President of Princeton Theological Seminary, at Princeton, New Jersey, on account of age and failing sight. He will, however, be connected with the Princeton University, as he holds the chair of ethics in that institution.

We learn from the Lenoir Topic that Mr. Rufus Guynn, agent for the Reo, Automobile Co., received a car load of their machines last week. One of the cars and a truck will be used by the Blowing Rock Hack line this summer.

Acting under the Search and Seizure law, the Sheriff of Burke county has unearthed a bar room on one of Morganton's business blocks and found liquors put up in all quantities, from half pints to gallons. Several men are now under arrest as a consequence.

Sir Cecil Rice, Great Britain's new ambassador to the United States, arrived on the 5th inst. The New York World says he is a man of medium height and of rather slender build and his eyes are of typical British blue. It says that those persons who were expecting to find a man around up on whom the glamor of an empire clung, were disappointed.

The Carolina and North Western Railway has purchased four parlor cars to be used on the road this summer, and they were attached to the northbound passenger train Monday afternoon, going to Edgemont. With the addition of these nice parlor cars and several modern locomotives the C. & N. W. will be well equipped for handling the increased business expected this season.—Topic.

A drove of three score and more fine yearling calves passed along Main street Wednesday, headed for Pot Cove. They belonged to Messrs. W. P. Artz and P. H. Mashburn, and will graze on the Government's forest reservation at a cost, we understand, of not more than 12½ cents each per month. We are informed this cat range will be fenced in, and being very extensive, ought to furnish desirable pasturage.—Old Fort Sentinel.

Have You Any Stars in Your Crown?

"Are you going to the ball tonight, sister?
You've stars all over your gown
And diamonds on your arms and neck
Have you any stars in your crown?"

"My darling I don't understand you,
I have no crown, dear May."
"Oh, but sister, if you love Jesus
He'll give you a crown some day."

"You know how I came to Jesus
Not very long ago.
Well ever since then I've been trying
To get others to come you know."

"And there one little girl called Nellie
Who at school I often see,
So I told her about Jesus
And what He has done for me."

"And I told her that at our Savior's feet
She might lay her sins all down,
That He would forgive her and He has
So Nellie's one star in my crown."

"But I've only one star yet, sister,
To wear in my crown in Heaven.
I can't get many stars yet, sister,
You see, I'm only eleven."

"But you are grown up an' pretty,
And know many people, I see,
Won't there be lots of stars, sister,
In the crown Jesus gives to 'em?"

"That night in the crowded ballroom
Mid the glare and glitter around
"Have you any stars in your crown,
sister?"

"Rang out with a warning sound,
Rang louder than the merriest music
And the giddiest whirl;
Rang higher than the happiest voices
In the ears of the startled girl."

"Have you any stars in your crown,
sister?
But I have no crown to wear,
If I went tonight to the unseen world
No crown awaiteth me there."

"In the light of conscience awakened
She looked back on days and hours
On the opportunities thrown away
On the untried talents and powers,
And she fled from the crowded ballroom
With its wildering music and glare,
To the side of the little sleeping child
And slowly she bent her head there."

"And all the sins of a lifetime
She laid at her Savior's feet,
And received to her weary spirit
His pardon, gracious and sweet."

"Then she took the hand of the sleeper
On the fair little face looked down,
Softly whispering, "May my darling,
I am one more star in your crown."

—Selected.