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7-9-10.

Among the Pioneer Settlers of Watauga County.

[By L. D. Lowe]
(Continued from last week.)
Bedent Baird represented Ashe County in the Legislatures of 1808 and 1809, and he was contemporary with such men as John Colloway, Nathan Horton, Elijah Calloway, George Bower and numerous others who represented their county many times in both branches of the General Assembly.

It is said that on one occasion Bedent was entertaining one of his friends at the old "Beech House," and in order to have a little fun he proposed to take his friend to a point on top of Beech Mountain, near the pinnacles, to show him what a fine mill site he owned; after reaching a level spot on the top of the mountain, Bedent asked him how he liked his mill-site; his friend asked him where the water to run the mill was to come from, and Bedent replied, "I just wanted to show you what a fine place this is to set a mill, I said nothing about any water." It happened there is a spring nearby, and strange to say, there is now a steam saw mill operating at almost the identical spot then pointed out by Bedent as his mill-site, and the timber is now being cut and manufactured from a tract of land granted to Bedent Baird so many years ago.

Bedent Baird was a gentleman of the old school and was a prominent man in his section in his day. It should be remembered that it required men of strong intellect and courage to overcome such undertakings as the first settlers encountered.

While Bedent was building his road from his farm on the Watauga to the top of Beech Mountain he had a man employed to do some blasting along the road. Bedent gave his employee a heavy iron crow bar, made of the famous Cranberry iron, when a heavy charge of powder was placed in a hole, the man failed to remove the bar, and as the explosion took place the heavy instrument was hurled down the mountain side a great distance, and it could not be found. As long as Bedent lived he could not be convinced but that his employee had stolen his crowbar. Only a few years ago a man passing through the woods below the old Beech road, happened to find the old crowbar, and not knowing the circumstances under which the rough instrument had disappeared, he took it to a blacksmith a few miles away and sold it as he would an ordinary piece of iron. Soon thereafter Sheriff W. B. Baird learned of the finding and sale of the much-prized and long-lost crowbar, so he went forthwith to the blacksmith to purchase it, and after much persuasion and by paying two prices for it, he finally succeeded in getting possession of the rough, rust-entened old instrument which had been lost for so many years.

The Bairds have been a hardy, long-lived people, many of them living to be nearly a hundred years of age.

Indian Killed On Track.

Near Rochelle, Ill., an Indian went to sleep on a railroad track and was killed by the fast express. He paid for his carelessness with his life. Often it's that way when people neglect coughs and colds. Don't risk your life when prompt use of Dr. King's New Discovery will cure them and so prevent a dangerous throat and lung trouble. It completely cured me, in a short time, of a terrible cough that followed a severe attack of Grippe," writes J. R. Watts, Floydale, Tex., "and I regained 15 pounds in weight that I had lost." Quick, safe, reliable and guaranteed, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

It seems that the State's tobacco crop this year is abundant and prices good.

Col. A. H. March, one of the State's oldest men, was found dead in his bed in Concord on the morning of the 16th, inst. He was 91 years of age.

Mr. R. B. Burke of Taylorsville died on the 13th, at his home in that town of heart failure. He was an able lawyer and enjoyed a large practice.

The 47th Annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held last week at Chattanooga; and it is the first time the G. A. R. ever held a reunion on Southern dirt.

At Goldfield, Nevada on 13th, inst, the streets were flooded by a cloudburst followed by hail and a fearful electrical storm. A number of homes were carried away and three persons were drowned.

Adolph Roberts, the proprietor of the Commercial Printing and Rubber Stamp Co. of Newberne, committed suicide at the home of his brother, in that town on the 13th, by shooting himself. Declining health supposed to be the cause.

An inventory of all postoffice property in the United States is to be undertaken by the Post office Department. This is an idea of Postmaster General Burleson who will within a short time issue the orders for this work to begin.

Mr. A. M. Matheson of Taylorsville has three rattle-snakes. Recently they increased to eleven. Three old ones, and eight little ones.

Rev. J. A. White, of Taylorsville has been elected principal of the Graded School at Cleveland, and commenced his work on last Monday.

Mr. A. W. Dula's garage and one of his automobiles were burned the 16th inst. Mr. Dula was cleaning and filling his auto, when in some way it caught fire, and an explosion followed. Mr. Dula's face and hands were burned badly.

The Newton News says that the compulsory education law will be strictly enforced this year in Catawba Co. It says that at a number of places in the county that 19 year old children will enter school for the first time.

Mr. Alex Penley of North Wilkesboro was standing in the Meadow's Mill recently near a revolving shaft which had some set-screws on it, when it caught his clothes, spinning him around three times, then throwing him over another machine ten feet away, entirely stripped of every thing but his shoes with only a few bruises.

The board of army engineers, in a report to Congress, recommends an appropriation of \$14,400,000 for the construction of a seven foot barge canal from Beaufort, N. C. to St. John's River Fla., as an extension of the Atlantic inland waterway chain from Boston to the Gulf.

A wedding of much interest to friends over this part of the State, occurred on Wednesday evening, the 10th inst., in the Methodist church in North Wilkesboro, when Miss Nancy Lyla Vestal, daughter of Rev. M. H. Vestal, was married to Mr. Clem Wrenn, cashier of the Deposit and Savings Bank, of that town, the ceremony being performed by the bride's father, who is presiding Elder of the North Wilkesboro District.

The Red Cross Christmas Seals are to be sold in North Carolina again this year. Four hundred thousand of them were sold in this State last year, bringing \$4,000, 90 per cent of which remained here. The sale of these seals is used for the fight of tuberculosis wherever it is most needed.

A London actress has attracted a lot of attention by appearing on the stage with stockings that were embroidered with diamonds. They are valued at \$5,000.

The Century Holdings Company, of New York City is planning to build a hotel which is intended to be the largest in the world. It will contain 1,800 guest rooms and will cost \$12,500,000.

Charles Vopicka, of New York, has been appointed Minister to Roumania, Serbia, and Bulgaria, and Thos. H. Reich, of New Jersey, is minister to Portugal.

Charles L. Stewart, editor of the Morning News, Enid, Oklahoma, and a native of North Carolina, is a candidate for the United States Senate, in opposition to the blind Senator, Thos. P. Gore.

Judge Howard A. Foushee, of Durham, sent in his resignation to Gov. Craig last week, the same to take effect on the 21st. His reason for leaving the bench is declining health.

Wake county court has been investigating the cases of certain guards who are charged with brutal treatment of helpless convicts in their power, and it is to be hoped in each case the brutal guard will get the punishment at the hands of the law he so richly deserve.

"Big Tim" Sullivan who rose from newsboy to Congressman, is dead. He was elected to Congress last fall but owing to declining health which had to some degree clouded his mind, he had never taken his seat. Once a child of the Bowery he died one of Tammany's leaders. His death will make it necessary for a special election to be held in the thirteenth New York district.

Flying Men Fall
victims to stomach, kidney and liver troubles just like the other people, with like results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there is no need to see like that as T. D. Peckles, Henry, Tenn., proved. "Six Bottles of Electric Bitters," he writes, "did more to give me new strength and good appetite than all other stomach remedies I used. 'So they help everybody. It's folly to suffer when this great remedy will help you from the first dose. Try it. Only 50c. at all druggists."

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Welcome, Thrice Welcome to Our Town and Homes ye Survivors of the Confederacy.

This (Thursday) morning, as our papers are being mailed, the few surviving members of Camp Nimrod Triplett, United Confederate Veterans, are assembling in Boone, and in behalf of all our people, The Democrat extends to each and every one of them a hearty welcome, trusting that their short stay among us may afford them as much pleasure as will be meted out to us in entertaining them. They are our guests and the best is not too good for them. Make our homes your homes, ye remnant of as brave a set of men as ever shouldered muskets or marched against a foe. The ranks of this little camp are rapidly thinning, twelve of the members having answered the last roll-call since their last annual reunion, and others who are now tottering on the very brink of the grave. May this be the happiest event of their lives and may each one of them live to see many joyful returns of this day. Again let us say, Confederate veterans, that our town and homes are open to you, and we feel honored in having the very great pleasure of entertaining you.

Affairs Are In Good Shape.

News and Observer
That there is a spirit of optimism with regard to national business conditions, and that the trend of affairs point to an increasing business this fall can be seen in a reading of the trade journals and the general publications of this country.
That spirit is also to be found among the traveling salesmen, who are excellent barometers of trade movements. Numbers of these who have lately been visitors to Raleigh say that advance orders are good and that they find a feeling among the merchants that conditions during this fall and winter are to be excellent.
That this optimistic feeling will be heightened with the tariff out of the way, and with an assurance that there is to be a real reform in the currency, is not to be doubted. As long as there was uncertainty about tariff schedules business was necessarily in a hesitating condition, but with that practically fixed, and with fair winds filling the sails of the currency and banking reform bill, there is a feeling of confidence abroad in the land that the country is about to enter upon a season of great business and great prosperity.

The resources and the output of the South are such as to make this note of good cheer most agreeable to the people of this section, and this same feeling is shared by the other sections of the country, for it is a nationwide season of increased business prospects which is at hand. The Democracy in its wisdom has prepared a tariff bill which is to give opportunity to all, not restricting this to a few. And it is backing this up with a currency measure which will make it so that the producers and the enterprises cannot be squeezed at the will of the financiers. All in all, this country can feel well satisfied at the outlook.

The daughter of A. Mitchell, Bar dad, Ky., had a bad case of kidney trouble and they feared her health was permanently impaired. Mr. Mitchell says: "She was in terrible shape but I got her to take Foley Kidney Pills and now she is completely cured." Women are more liable to have kidney trouble than men and will find Foley Kidney Pills a safe, dependable and honest medicine. For sale by all dealers.

GREEN PARK HOTEL SOLD

Hotel at Blowing Rock and a Lot of Land Bought by a Syndicate—Statesville People Interested.

Statesville Landmark.
The Green Park Hotel at Blowing Rock and 300 to 400 acres of land adjoining, have been purchased by a company that will charter as the Blowing Rock Development Company. A charter has been applied for. The authorized capital will be \$125,000 and the company will begin business with about \$40,000 capital. The stockholders are J. W. Cannon, Concord; J. A. Durham, George P. Wadsworth, I. C. Lowe, E. C. Mellon, Charlotte; L. L. Jenkins, Asheville; Thos. L. Craig, Gastonia; O. W. Spencer, Salisbury; J. D. Elliott and Z. B. Buchanan, Hickory; J. P. Coffey, Rufus, Caldwell county; L. P. Henkel, Lenoir; T. L. McCombs, Georgia; C. M. H. O. A. P. and F. F. Steele, C. V. Henkel and D. J. Craig, of Statesville.

It is the purpose of the company first to improve and refurbish the Green Park hotel. The hotel will be put in first class condition by next season and will be put in charge of a first class hotel man, who will give the very best service. The development of the other property is a matter for the future, but the growth of Blowing Rock as a resort place, which is assured, means that future development is certain.

The stockholders of the Blowing Rock Turnpike Company met a few days ago and formulated plans to improve the road from Lenoir to Blowing Rock. Travel over this line was much greater the past season than ever before and accommodations could not be had at Blowing Rock for all who applied. In the near future a railroad will be completed to Boone and it is only a question of a few years until Blowing Rock will be connected by rail with the outside world.

Rev. A. C. Sherwood to Red Springs.

Charity and Children.
We are glad to hear that Rev. A. C. Sherwood has accepted a call to the church at Red Springs. Mr. Sherwood is one of our strongest young preachers, and he goes to a very intelligent and appreciative community. Our brethren at Red Springs ought to rise up and build a church house that is worthy of the congregation and the town.

[Mr. Sherwood is a son of the Rev. J. J. L. Sherwood, of Watauga.]—Dem.

A Card of Thanks.

I wish to extend to all our neighbors and friends my heartfelt thanks for the kindness and respect shown us during the illness and death of my dear father. I know that I never can repay them, but my Heavenly Father will. I trust that God will repay them in this world and that I may be able in some way to help them, and that God will reward them hereafter.

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Ronda H. Hardin, who is again this year to be a student in chemistry in the N. C. Med. College has gone to take up his work.

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