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CURRENT COMMENT.

There is no question in our mind about some newspaper men being terrible liars. In writing of a cyclone out West an exchange says "It turned a well wrong side out, a cellar upside down, moved a township line, blew all the staves out of a whiskey barrel and left nothing but the bung-hole, changed the day of the week, blew mortgages off farms, blew all the cracks out of a fence, and took all the wind out of a politician. Fact."

Some weeks ago a prohibition petition was forwarded to Representative Mauney. We did not see the petition and don't know how it was drawn. But as a result of this petition, Mr. Mauney had the following bill passed: "To prohibit the

manufacture and sale of liquor, except brandy, in Cherokee county." Now, we fail to see why brandy should be excepted, as it will make a man just as drunk and just as quick as any liquor distilled in these mountains. The mistake was in not prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor, brandies, etc. There should be no discrimination, no favors, in such an important measure.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

The past week has been a busy one with the legislature, and much business of importance was transacted among which we briefly note the following:

Bills were passed by the house to abolish the present Boards of Education, applying to the whole State; to change the time of holding courts in the Twelfth district, in Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Macon and Swain.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP AT HOME.

Miss Linnie Cunningham, of Bellw, was the guest of Miss Nellie Brittain last week.

Mr Willard Cooper tendered his

young friends a sociable at his mother's home last Tuesday evening. An enjoyable time was had.

Mr. J. W. Ferguson and wife were accompanied as far as Blue Ridge last Tuesday by T. J. Cooper, H. R. Ferguson and R. G. Love and Misses Sallie Cooper and Lillian Hannum.

"I dearly love birds," he gaily signed. And then she didn't do a thing but hasten to the open door and softly began singing, "I wish I were a bird." They are looking for a nest now.

S. E. Bryson had his acetylene gas street light on exhibition Wednesday night on the Public Square. It makes a bright light and all who see it were charmed with it. The light complete that was used will cost \$10 and can be operated at a cost of less than a cent per hour. We hope it will succeed in selling the county enough of these lights at least for the business portion of Murphy.

By Mauney, of Cherokee: To prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor, except brandy, in Cherokee county.

A. A. Fain made a business trip Friday to Andrews.

Charley Denton, of Graham was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. J. M. Vaughn was quite sick with grip Friday and Saturday.

Dr. R. B. Meroney made a business trip to Asheville last week.

Mrs. Mollie Whitecomb, of Ocreeta, spent Tuesday night in town with friends.

We regret to learn that Mr. A. J. Guiley was confined to his bed most of last week with the grip.

Mr. R. E. Martin, of Clay county, some job work. In addition to be J. Martin, last Wednesday.

Mr. Steve Meroney left Friday for Roxboro, N. C., where he will assist Capt. J. P. Robinson in opening a copper mine.

We are glad to learn that George Whitecomb, of Ocreeta, who is attending Young Harris College, is making a splendid record.

T. L. Smathers returned last Tuesday on the belated Southern, which was eleven hours late. A land slide at Helt's 165 feet long caused the delay.

Messrs. H. R. Ferguson and R. G. Love, of Waynesville, attended the Ferguson-Cooper wedding here last Tuesday remaining over until Thursday morning.

J. T. L. Hartness was in town Friday and placed an order with us for some job work. In addition to being postmaster at Ocreeta, he is opening up a stock of goods.

Tax Collector Davidson is among some fellow up to the tax books ever hour in the day.

We learn that A. L. Cooper is doing fairly well swapping horses with the Georgia people.

M. A. Hyatt and R. R. Bell left

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yesterday for Asheville to serve as jurors at the special term of Federal court.

Little Messes Grace Woodbury and Mauderite Corder were presented with handsomely bound New Testaments last Sunday for learning the child's catechism by heart.

On account of the weather, but few people were in town yesterday at commissioners' court.

The debating club at the Academy is running. The question for today is, "Which was the greatest hero, Washington, Lee, or Grant?" Persons desiring to attend are always welcome. Gar Dewese, Sec.

Register of Deeds McDonald has issued marriage licenses to the following couples since our last report: John Adams and Miss Artie Bruce; Jno. W. Fricks and Miss Alice Dockery; W. Oscar Cole and Miss Elm Huskins.

Last Tuesday the engine on the A. K. & N. Jumped the track near Culberson, causing a delay of several hours. A freight on the same road was wrecked near Ellijay, and it was Wednesday morning before traffic was resumed.

On Sunday, February 24th, at the home of the bride's father, I. A. James, Mr. Jno. H. Thompson and Miss Martha James were married. Squire J. T. L. Hartness officiating, which was his last act before resigning. We extend congratulations to the happy couple.

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Wolf Creek

We ought to be able to appreciate the good old spring time when it comes this year, because of so much unusually rough weather.

There is still much sickness in our section.

Mr. George Fincher of Copperhill, was a pleasant visitor here Saturday. Mr. Fincher at one time lived here and has many friends throughout this section.

Mr. Oscar Simons of Hyatt, Tenn. visited relatives here Friday.

There was born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Simonds recently, a girl.

Mr. Milt Payne was working out the public roads thru our section last week. Our roads have come thru the winter in the best condition in many years, as a result of a little work being done here and there as the need developed.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rasmussen, children of Belltown, visited relatives here last Friday.

It was the privilege of the writer to spend a very pleasant hour in the Scout office last week and be ex-

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