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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

As Told by the Papers in the Neighboring Counties.

CALDWELL.
Fire at the Wilson Lumber and Milling Company's Plant—“It is Up to” Brother Squires Now—Off for the West.
Lenoir News, April 18th.

Farm work is unusually backward this spring.
Miss Florence Stacey, of Burke, is visiting the Misses Kincaid.
Standard gauge rails were laid in theyard at the depot this week.
Mr. Henry Fox, the one legged Confederate veteran, who has been sick for so long a time, died at his lodgings in the northern part of town last Thursday.

Last Wednesday Messrs. Thos. W. Triplett and family, Thos. E. N. Watson, Charlie Curlew and wife, and one or two other young men whose names we did not learn, took the cars here for Oregon and Washington.

“It is up to” Brother Squires, of the Topic, now. We heard the Register of Deeds offer him a free marriage license a few days ago if he would get married. We caution our young lady friends to be on the alert when he is around for he is liable to “pop” at any time.

Last Friday afternoon what promised to be a great and destructive conflagration was averted only by prompt and heroic work. The boiler room of the Wilson Lumber and Milling Co. caught fire by the blowing out of a plug in the boiler. Fire was blown by the escaping steam directly into the shaving room adjoining the boiler house and immediately the structure was a mass of flames. Fortunately no wind was blowing at the time and the hands employed by the company, as well as those of the other factories near by and many of the other citizens responded at the first sound of alarm. Through the united effort of all parties the flames were checked just as they began to attack the main shop building. Had the shop been located at any less favorable part of the town, it most certainly would have gone up in smoke, but the united watersupply of the company, together with that of the Harper Furniture Co., (the best in town), the hand fire engine and a voluntary bucket brigade simply deluged the buildings. Everybody worked with an energy and determination that was remarkable to witness. The loss to the company, we are told, is \$800 to \$1,000, the boiler being much damaged—but they are to be congratulated upon getting off so light, for had the shop and immense piles of lumber on their yards been burned the loss would have been very great.

Other Caldwell Items.
Lenoir Topic, April 16th.
The baseball team at Davidson is practicing for a game with Rutherford College.
Some of the brethren got into trouble at Charleston. Dave Clarke lost his ticket and Will Stine was relieved of his pocketbook. But we guarantee the editors had no trouble, for their pocket-books were minus.
Clerk McCall returned last Saturday from Baltimore, where he had been in Johns Hopkins Hospital for treatment. His health is much improved. He brought back with him Mr. Pink Corpening's son, Ben, who has likewise been taking treatment.
The marriage license traffic is becoming exceedingly dull—only five were issued in March. From December 1st, 1910, to April 1st, 1911, 71 licenses were issued; for a like period this year only 68 had been issued. Something must be done to relieve this state of affairs.

HER SON'S LIVESAVED BY CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.
“A neighbor ran in with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy when my son was suffering with severe cramps and was given up as beyond hope by my regular physician, who stands high in his profession. After administering three doses of it, my son regained consciousness and recovered entirely within twenty-four hours,” says Mrs. Mary Haller, of Mt. Crawford, Va. This Remedy is for sale by W. A. Leslie, druggist.

MCDOWELL.

A Dastardly Crime; Burglary and Attempted Murder in the Fleming Hotel—Smallpox at Nebo—Changes in Revenue Offices.
Marion News, April 17th.

Dr. W. P. Jones has been assigned to duty as gauger at the two rectifiers, and Dr. G. I. White, who has held this position for two years, has been assigned to duty at the Blue Ridge Distilling Co. as gauger and Mr. W. T. Morgan as storekeeper.

Miss Pearl Sigmon, daughter of M. C. Sigmon, of Nebo, was sick a few weeks ago at Glen Alpine. Her mother went down to see her, and as a result Mrs. Sigmon is suffering with a case of smallpox at her home in Nebo. Dr. Cheek has quarantined the family, and also a clerk in Sigmon's store, Sewell Williams, son of Lee Williams, Esq.

Dr. Morpheus has purchased the drug business of R. S. Finley and the familiar and goodlooking face of Mr. J. G. Grant around the drug store prescription case reminds us of old times. Joe is one of the old drug store landmarks, having been in the business in Marion for more than 16 years. He is well experienced, and keeps everything neat and attractive.

The gentlemen who have taken stock in the new bank held their third meeting in the Wrenn building Monday evening and decided to call their institution “The Merchants and Farmers’ Bank of Marion.” Mr. Thos. F. Wrenn was elected president and Mr. E. L. Gaston secretary. The store room recently occupied by Mr. W. McE. Bargin will be suitably arranged for the business, and it is expected to open the bank about the first of next month.

A bold and daring burglary was committed in the old Fleming Hotel Monday night, and an attempt at murder. When Mr. John S. Hopper went to his room about 8 o'clock and struck a match the secreted thief made an effort to cut his throat. Two locks were made at Mr. Hopper's throat and the blade used in the would-be assassin split the collar in twain but fortunately did not reach the flesh. The collar was of the high, tough and thick fashionable kind and no doubt saved Mr. Hopper's life. The burglar had rifled Hopper's trunk, procuring a \$20 gold coin, and it is supposed he attempted to murder him to avoid detection. He made his escape and there is no clue as to his identity. Mr. Hopper came to Marion from Kernersville about four years ago and has been constantly employed as a clerk in the hotel. He is a quiet, pleasant, courteous young man and says he hasn't an enemy on earth that he knows of.

LINCOLN.

March Marriages—A Death at Crouse—Off for Dallas, Texas.
Lincoln Journal, April 18th.

Messrs. H. S. Robinson, P. D. Hinton, T. J. Ramsaur, J. F. Reinhardt and Capt. B. F. Grigg will leave Friday for Dallas, Texas, to be present at the Confederate Reunion to be held at that place from April 22-25.

Mr. Wm. J. McClure, aged 45 years, died at his home in Crouse Friday evening, the 11th of April. His remains were interred at Pleasant Grove Burial Grounds Saturday afternoon. Rev. J. W. Ingule, of Crouse, conducted the funeral services. Deceased leaves a wife and four children.

The following marriage licenses were issued by Register of Deeds, H. A. Self, during the month of March: WHITE—John S. Benfield and Annie Seaman, James L. Goodnight and Mary Rhine, Andrew Grigg and Georgia A. Barnes, Beverly Hart and Martha McIntosh, Ed Kiser and Callie Hoffman, David S. Lowe and Irene Black, Robt. E. Lineberger and M. Eloise Carpenter, James Z. Perry and Jane Branch, M. Lee Seronce and Frances Seronce, Clarence Wells and Mary Sain. COLORED—John A. Clark and Fannie Fullenwider, Henry C. Childs and Annie Glover, Ed Rendleman and Bessie Link.

HE KEPT HIS LEG.
Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation. “But,” he writes, “I used one bottle of Electric Bitters and I 1-2 boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and my leg was sound and well as ever.” For Eruptions, Eczema, disorders Electric Bitters has no rival on earth. Try them. John Bull will guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

CLEVELAND.

A Death Caused by Bite of a Rabid Dog—An Old Man Distributing His Wealth—Other News.
Shelby Star, April 16th.

The little two-year-old child of Mr. Clan Blanton, of Camp Call, was burned to death one day last week. The child's clothing caught fire, it ran out in the air and was so severely burned, before help could reach it, that it died from the effects of the burns.

Mr. Samuel Poston, who has been quite sick at his home near Shelby, is getting quite old and very feeble. He is one of the largest land owners and wealthiest citizens of the county. He has made all of his children and grand children a present of \$100 in gold each, and given away good plantations to his two sons and also to several of his grand children. He probably had more gold money than any man in this section.

Mrs. P. H. Sciam, a good woman and true Christian, died suddenly Saturday night at her home near Hub's X Roads in Lincoln county. She was taken violently ill at 8 and died at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Sciam was the mother of Mrs. W. C. Sciam, of Double Shoals, and Messrs. Geo. A. and Orlando Elam, prominent citizens of Shelby. Her second husband and seven other children survive her. The remains were brought to this county and interred at New Bethel church, Rev. J. V. Deviney conducting the funeral services.

Last Sunday morning Mr. William Patterson, an industrious farmer of this county, died at his home in Shelby from the effects of a mad dog bite on his lips, mention of which was made in a recent issue. The mad dog was applied, but it is thought that some of the blood or foam was swallowed and the poison was lodged in the stomach. Mr. Patterson was affected for several days before his death and had queer spells, but they were not the usual fits accompanying hydrophobia, and he could be quieted quite easy, and did not seem to be viciously inclined. However he constantly grew worse and would not eat or drink anything, and Sunday morning the end came peacefully and quietly.

GEN. WADE HAMPTON DEAD.

The Famous Old South Carolinian Died at His Home in Columbia on the 11th.
Columbia, S. C., Dispatch, 11th.

Gen. Wade Hampton died this morning at 9 o'clock from valvula disease of the heart. The general had just passed his 84th birthday. Twice this winter he has had attacks that he rallied wonderfully on both occasions. He was out driving a week ago, but it was evident his strength was deserting him.

The funeral will be, at the general's expressed wish, without pomp of any kind and will take place Sunday afternoon. The Governor issued this proclamation:

“Whereas, The Hon. Wade Hampton, a former Governor of South Carolina and United States Senator, died at his home in Columbia at 10 minutes before 9 o'clock, full of years and of honor; therefore I, M. B. McSwain, Governor of South Carolina, in view of his services to his people and his long and honorable career, and in further recognition of his broad statesmanship and true nobility of character and his high patriotism and devotion to duty and his State, do request that on tomorrow, Saturday, all public offices in the State of South Carolina be closed, and as a further testimonial to his worth that the flags of the State and of the United States be put at half mast on the day of his death and all other public buildings in the State and remain in that position until the funeral services are held.”

The family objected to a State funeral. Bells were tolled in all the towns where the news was received and many schools were closed.

The funeral of Gen. Hampton at Columbia, Sunday afternoon, was attended by an immense concourse of people. Nowwithstanding the wishes of the dead man and the wishes of his family that the funeral should be private thousands were present to pay their last respects to the old soldier.

Gen. Hampton was born in Charleston May 28, 1818. He won fame as a Confederate cavalry commander during the civil war and after the war it was under his gallant and daring leadership that the carpetbag regime was overthrown in South Carolina and Hampton elected Governor in 1876. Two years later he was elected to the United States Senate, where he served until the Tillman infamy and defeated him. During Cleveland's second term he held the office of Pacific railroad commissioner, which was his last public service.

OUR RALEIGH LETTER.

NEWS FROM THE STATE CAPITAL

The “State Convention” of “Independent” Negroes a Howling Farce—Paid Your Poll Tax Yet—English Tobacco Trust at Raleigh—Revision of the Patent and Trade-Mark Laws—Various Matters of Interest.

Raleigh, N. C., April 21.—The much heralded “State Convention” of “independent” negroes which was to have been pulled off in such great shape last week (according to numerous announcements) was a howling farce and has left hardly a memory behind it.

Some seventeen darkies outside of Raleigh and a small gathering of Raleigh colored politicians of this splendid and oldest of all the orphanages in the State. The main building will be enlarged, as will the printing office, shoe shop, hospital building, etc.

Senator Simmons, who recently became much offended at the Pigeon River Scribe's effusions, is said now to have it in for J. Wiley Shook deeper than ever, and will renew his efforts to disconnect communication between him and the Federal pie counter. I saw Wiley a few days ago and he presented a fine appearance for the application of the slaughter-knife.

CAME NEAR BEING ROBBED.

Mr. Bower Says He Narrowly Escaped Losing the Evidence of His Gold Find.
Baltimore Sun 16th.

After discovering a gold mine in the hills of North Carolina, and while on his way to Rhode Island with a valise and his pockets full of quartz specimens to convince the skeptics of his good fortune, and interest Northern capitalists, Mr. Ohas. M. Bower, of Morganton, Burke county, N. C., according to his own statement, narrowly escaped losing the evidence of his find through what he claims was an attempt to rob him.

Mr. Bower arrived at Camden Station on a late train Sunday night. Yesterday, shortly before continuing his journey north, he said:

“Upon reaching the station I inquired of several persons standing about the station steps for a good hotel. I was directed to one and was about to cross the street, when I felt the hand of a man in my pocket. With a quick motion I grabbed an arm, and turning found a rough-looking man beside me. He jerked away and ran. Shortly afterward I saw a policeman and described the man to him.”

Later in the night Patrolman Mumford arrested a man, who he said he was Augustus C. Epler, 44 years old. At a hearing before Justice Poe, at the Western Station, he was dismissed as there was no evidence against him except the alleged fact that he answered Mr. Bower's description in a general way.

Mr. Bower said he was a gold prospector and had been for several years hunting gold in Burke county. His search was finally rewarded, and he has struck what he thinks is one of the richest mines in the State. It is, he says, on the farm of a Mr. Fox, near Morganton, and although, according to Mr. Bower, the proprietor is ignorant of the extent of gold, he wants \$30,000 for the tract. To secure this sum Mr. Bower is going to Rhode Island, where he knows several men whom he thinks the sight of the quartz he carries will convince of the value of his find and who can be trusted.

Mr. Bower says that some of the quartz which he has taken will as say \$900 to the ton of ore.

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A CARD.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds for Burke county, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.
Respectfully,
H. M. RHYNE.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Superior Court of Burke county, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.
R. PARKS NAYZ.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds for Burke county. It seems that the race are full of candidates, and I think everybody that wants to run may do so. There is a time for all, and I have waited 37 years for this time; and now boys I want that office and I will give it to me at the ballot box it will be mine. I served 4 years in the Confederate army—waded through Cypress mud and tadpoles, shooting at blue-bellies, and in the name of Gen. Jackson, with rope and lead, and meat bag for saddle, and an now at your service. Give me the office one term and I will try to please you, if in my power to do so. You all know of my past life as a citizen among you. Judge accordingly, and if you think otherwise do otherwise and give it to someone else and I will be satisfied. If there ever was a cow in the bog or a pig in the crack I have always helped pull him out. Respectfully submitted to the voice of the people,
J. F. BATTLE.

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Hon. Locke Craig.
Asheville Citizen.

In choosing a Senator to succeed Mr. Pritchard, it is the duty of the Democratic party to consider first the welfare of the State, and not the place of the good of the Democracy.

All the gentlemen in the race for the senatorship are men of character and standing, but after a calm and careful consideration of the subject in all its phases we are firmly of the opinion that the Hon. Locke Craig is the man who ought to make our next Senator.

While Mr. Craig is a young man, comparatively speaking, he is old in political experience. For many years he has been one of the most prominent and active figures in state politics, and has proved himself a hard fighter and safe leader in our political battles. He is 41 years old, just entering the prime of manhood. Ever since his graduation at the University of North Carolina in 1880, he has been a diligent and thorough student of social and political questions. As an orator he has no superior in the State. He is not a mere “word compeller” or an ornate declaimer; his sentences are always hot with argument. He can move men strongly and stir them deeply.

Though possessing natural gifts of a high order, he has by a life of study equipped himself for the highest duties of state, and is today one of the most accomplished literary men in public life in North Carolina.

We need a man of his eloquence and with all the strength and enthusiasm of his will to do battle against the infamous force bills and partisan legislation so often aimed at the political and commercial welfare of the South.

Mr. Craig is essentially a just man—broadminded, conscientious, courageous—a man who the people can and do trust with implicit confidence, and by whom the interests of all classes corporate and individual, rich and poor, labor and capital, farmer and manufacturer—would be protected and fostered to the full extent of his power. His past course is a guarantee of his devotion to the welfare of the whole State, and to all her interests and industries.

No man in North Carolina has rendered more efficient service to his party than has Locke Craig. His time and talent have been devoted to the party. No sacrifice has been too great for him to make; no labor too hard for him to do.

In 1894 and 1896 when many were discouraged his efforts never failed, and his faith never faltered. And in the revolution which resulted in the redemption of the State and its adoption of the amendment, Mr. Craig was one of the leading spirits. From the day when he and Governor Aycock opened the campaign of 1898, in the county of Richmond, until the complete triumph of 1900, he was a power for the Democratic cause, and was among the very foremost wherever the fight was fiercest.

In this campaign his party demanded that he lead the legislative ticket in Buncombe county. The Democrats believed that he was the only man that could overcome the Republican candidate and the Republican majority. Their confidence was not misplaced. Again in 1900, while canvassing in the east for the amendment his party unanimously demanded that he again lead the fight in Buncombe, feeling that no one else could meet the attack which the Republicans were preparing to make in the county. After one of the fiercest campaigns ever waged in the State and in which he was more than once threatened with personal violence by the enraged crowds, Mr. Craig was again elected, and by an increased majority.

He bore the brunt of the battle in this section for the amendment; he had the courage and ability to stand. And it is for these qualities that he has been so greatly loved and so fully trusted him.

Senator Vance used to say in the closing days of his life that the longer he lived the stronger became his conviction that cowardice of one sort or another was the very tap root of all evil, and that courage was the highest quality of a man or a politician. Measured by this standard of our great man, Locke Craig is to day the

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ideal leader of an untried Democracy, for political courage is a courage that his dearest foe will not deny him.

Mr. Craig has ever been singularly straightforward in his political as in his private career. His record is clear cut. He has none of the political strength of men who have antagonized no one, and are therefore without convictions. Whatever strength he has is of the positive and not the negative sort.

He has never dodged or been afraid to take his stand on one side or the other of public questions, and then to fight for his position with all his strength. This great quality of political courage has endeared him to the fighting Democracy of the State.

Other men that have rendered like services to the party have been substantially recognized; Mr. Craig has not. The people have always been for him, but they had not the opportunity. For him have been the heat and battle of the conflict, but not the honors and rewards. But we, who are his friends, who have known his hard services and party devotion, hope and believe that, like a soldier in the army of Napoleon, he has carried the field marshal's baton in his knapsack and will now have the fortune to be publicly breveted for his great services in the face of the enemy.

The election of the Hon. Locke Craig for the United States Senate would mean the success of real, genuine Democracy.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a order made by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Burke county in a special proceeding pending in said court, entitled H. C. Bennett et al. against Ethel Bennett et al. I will expose to public auction to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the town of Morganton, N. C., on Monday the 9th day of May, A. D. 1912, all of the right, title and interest of H. C. Bennett et al. in and to the following described tract of land, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of land being and situate in the county of Burke and State of North Carolina, designated and described as follows:

“320 Acres—joining the lands of S. T. Barnes, Howard lands, J. C. Hutchins, and others, bounded as follows: Beginning on a rock on the N. W. corner of the 5th day of May, A. D. 1902, all of the right, title and interest of H. C. Bennett et al. in and to the following described tract of land, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of land being and situate in the county of Burke and State of North Carolina, designated and described as follows:

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