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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

As Told by the Papers in the Neighboring Counties.

Your Tongue
If it's coated, your stomach
is bad, your liver is out of
order. Ayer's Pills will clean
your tongue, cure your dyspepsia,
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Easy to take, easy to operate.

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FIRE INSURANCE.

We write Fire Insurance policies on all kinds of property in the largest home and foreign companies. Every loss sustained on property insured in this agency, established fifteen years ago, has been promptly and satisfactorily settled. We are agents for the North Carolina Home, Acton of Hartford, Hamburg Bremen, Hartford of Hartford, Conn. Insurance Company of North America, Niagara of New York, Home of New York and German American.

Mortgage Sale Notice.
By virtue of a mortgage deed with power of sale executed by J. C. Hutchins and wife, H. Hutchins, and J. N. Yelton and wife, Eddie Yelton, on the 10th day of September, 1894, to Hulda Pearson and by her transferred to John C. McWhirter on the 3rd day of June, 1901, and by him transferred to the undersigned on the 5th day of November, 1901, by reference to said trust deed, registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Burke county, N. C., in book Z, pages 555 and 556, on the 12th day of December, 1894, all more fully appear. I will expose to sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Morganton, N. C., on Monday, January 27th, 1902, one-half interest in a certain tract of land lying and being in Burke county and State of North Carolina adjoining the lands of S. T. Barnes and others in silver creek territory and bounded as follows:

The suit of the Carolina & North-Western Railway Co., against the Pennacard Lumber and Manufacturing Co., to condemn right-of-way over the latter's lands, which was engaging the attention of the court as we went to press last week, resulted in a verdict for the railway company. We understand the de-

CALDWELL.
Lenoir News, Dec. 12th.
Since the rains of the past two weeks the Blowing Rock mail is being carried on horseback.

Rev. C. A. Munroe has been suffering some days with a carbuncle on his neck. He was too unwell to have service last Sunday.

Mr. Thos. Curtis, of Richland, died last Monday afternoon. Mr. Curtis was highly respected in his neighborhood and died at a ripe old age.

Mr. J. P. Porch died at his home on Spring street last Saturday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Mr. Porch had an attack of fever and his heart being week all efforts to combat the disease were fruitless.

Mr. W. R. Coffey died suddenly at his home on Mulberry in this county last Sunday night, as noted in our Riden correspondence. Mr. Coffey was an active and industrious man, and had by his frugality and energy accumulated considerable money and property. Mr. Coffey has been a familiar figure for years in Lenoir where he usually spent much of each court week selling apples, chestnuts, cider, &c., from his wagon. His remains were buried Tuesday at the family burying ground near his home.

fendants appealed to the Supreme Court, and the matter is yet unsettled. From the facts brought out in the case it seems to be definitely settled that a railroad will be built through to Butler, Tenn., at no distant date, but what company or companies will do it is yet unsettled as far as the public now knows.

Other Caldwell Items.
Lenoir Topic, Dec. 10th.
Wood scarce in Lenoir—mud plentiful.

It is said Sheriff Estes will be his own jailor.

Mr. R. V. Griffin departs next Monday for Oklahoma, where he expects to locate.

Mr. Jno. Spencer's family, who have been so ill with fever, are now rapidly improving.

Prof. Y. D. Moore, County Superintendent, will assist Prof. A. E. Woltz after Christmas in the Granite High School.

Rev. E. P. Green, pastor of Lenoir circuit, has been sick and therefore unable to move to his new home. He arrived yesterday.

CLEVELAND.
Shelby Star, Dec. 10th.
Mrs. Jennie Ann Balfour, the devoted and faithful wife of Mr. R. J. Balfour, of Grover, died Friday morning, after a few hours illness. A stroke of apoplexy was the immediate cause of her death.

Rev. R. M. Hoyle is moving this week from Fallston to Waynesville, where he will take up his work as presiding elder of the Waynesville district. His departure is a great loss to us, but a distinct gain for that good mountain country.

Rev. R. F. Tredway, the able and popular Shelby Baptist pastor, has received a call to the pastorate of one of the largest Baptist churches in Montgomery, Ala., and his legion of friends in Shelby fear that the church here will lose him.

The Harmony Lodge of Odd Fellows, a thriving order in Shelby, gave a delightful oyster supper last Friday night and all the members were granted the privilege of inviting a friend, hence many ladies graced the occasion with their presence. The oysters were delicious, and the toasts from S. E. Gidner, Esq., on "Love," Rev. C. F. Sherrill on "Friendship," and Hon. E. Y. Webb on "Truth," were equally as fine. The whole affair was most enjoyable.

On last Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock a large crowd gathered to witness the marriage of Mr. Murphy Green, son of R. H. Green, Jr., to Miss Eric Pearson, daughter of Mr. H. P. Pearson all of Boling Springs. D. S. Lovelace, J. P. performed the ceremony that made the contracting parties one for life. After the marriage the happy couple, accompanied by a number of friends, left for the home of the groom's father, where a most bountiful supper was in readiness for them.

Dr. B. H. Palmer, our capable county physician, was in King's Mountain last week carrying out the compulsory vaccination order of the board of commissioners.

He vaccinated on the Cleveland side and Dr. Jenkins, the county physician in Gaston, performed a like service on the Gaston side. (Chief G. W. Kendrick accompanied Dr. Palmer and they had very little trouble—only a few had to be arrested. Dr. Palmer vaccinated 80 Wednesday, 125 Thursday and 75 Friday. The smallpox situation at King's Mountain is now in very satisfactory condition and will probably improve rapidly, since this wholesale vaccination.

Shelby has had three fires in succession, beginning with the burning of the plank kiln at Mr. A. E. Callahan's shop last Wednesday night, followed on Thursday night by the partial destruction of two bales of cotton at the Southern depot, supposed to have caught from a spark from the smoke stack at the oil mill. This fire was speedily put out by the night boss, Mr. Claude Falls, and the other oil mill employes, who used the water hose with good effect. On Friday night came the most disastrous fire, or rather it occurred at three o'clock Saturday morning. When the mill whistle and the court house bell sounded loud, in the stillness of the night, the people of Shelby awoke to find that the Williams Knitting Mill, located just above Babington's foundry, on North La Fayette street, was hopelessly enveloped in consuming flames, and this splendid property was totally destroyed. The total value of this plant, including the manufactured goods on hand, was probably \$15,000, while there was only \$7,000 insurance.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?
Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered, some years ago, how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For Blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Leslie's Drug Store.

CATAWBA.
Newton Enterprise, Dec. 12th.
All the Sunday schools are getting up Christmas entertainments.

A Mr. Brinkley killed a partridge one day last week and found in its craw 117 wheat flies.

Mr. J. C. McCall's store at Webb, in Mountain Creek township, was burned Tuesday night. The origin of the fire is not known.

Mr. Geo. W. Lowe was stricken with paralysis Wednesday morning and is in a feeble condition. He is the oldest man in Newton, having recently passed his 88th birthday.

The family of Frank Killian, colored, in Catawba township, was poisoned last week from eating blackberries. The old man died Monday and his wife and son are also at the point of death.

Mr. J. G. A. Brady, of Conover, died suddenly Tuesday from a stroke of paralysis. For seven or eight years he had been a sufferer from Bright's disease, and his summons, though sudden, was not unexpected by his family and friends.

Mrs. Margaret Mebane, mother of President C. H. Mebane of Catawba College, died at the home of her son in this place Wednesday morning at 2 o'clock. Her remains were taken to Guilford county Wednesday and buried Thursday at Mt. Hope church, near her old home. She was about 75 years old.

The wreck on the Carolina and Northwestern railroad last week was one of the completest in the history of that road. The engine lies on its side in the mud, and box-cars are lying on both sides of the road. Some are on their sides, some upside down and some smashed into kindling wood. They are all right in front of Mr. Monroe Hallman's house and some of the debris is in his yard. The engineer and fireman were thrown out of the window and everybody on the train escaped unhurt.

MCDOWELL.
Marion Democrat, Dec. 12th.
J. P. Ray, appointed as jail keeper by Sheriff Mashburn, has moved his family from Garden City into the jail and assumed the duties of his position.

There was a wedding at Nebo Monday night—Miss Pollie Lewis, of Nebo, to West Davenport, of Gold Hill, where the groom has a position as section foreman on the Southern railway.

A quiet marriage was solemnized by Rev. W. H. Willis, of the Methodist church, at the parsonage in Marion on last Sunday afternoon, Graham Jones, of Greenlee, and Miss Mary Stepe, of Old Fort, being the contracting parties.

Rev. W. H. Willis, the new pastor of the Methodist church, preached here last Sabbath. The congregation was large at both morning and evening services. The Bridgewater church has been separated and will be served by the McDowell circuit preacher.

Old Fort will now reap the benefit of the large investments recently made there by the United States Leather Company. The company has already commenced the work of improvement and the establishment will, as speedily as possible, be put into operation. A spoke and handle factory is also to be built soon, the land having been built for that purpose.

Other McDowell Items.
Marion News, Dec. 12th.

Mr. Wm. Dellinger grew very weak and fainted while in the Hardware Store yesterday. The attack was sudden and the doctor says, was caused by heart failure.

Two railway surveys are being made from the Blue Ridge north of Marion to Marion. One, presumably, is the work of the Seaboard Air Line, the other the Southern Railway Co. Both surveys will reach Marion early in the week. The Carter or S. A. L. crosses the Catawba in the vicinity of the iron bridge and will run up Garden creek. The other route will follow the old 3 C's survey, it is said.

Isaac Bledsoe, McDowell's centenarian, was in town yesterday shopping. Until a few years ago he was as sprightly and active as a man of fifty years, but recently Father Time has made his impression upon him. He is now bowed down with the weight of 103 years, feeble in body and tottering in his walk, but hearty and cheerful. Mr. Bledsoe says he was born in Moore county Nov. 11, 1799, 103 years and 31 days ago today.

LINCOLN.
Lincoln Journal, Dec. 12th.

Under his present term of judgeship, Judge Coble held his last term of court here this week.

Mr. Alvin Hull, of Cherryville, was married to Miss Maggie Howell, of Lincolnton, on last Sunday. Rev. D. P. Bridges performed the marriage ceremony.

Announcement has been made of the approaching marriage of Mr. Ivey Cherry, of Triangle, to Miss Daisy Nixon. This social event will take place on Wednesday, December the 17th.

Married by M. M. Lutz, Justice of the Peace, at his office in Howard's Creek township, on Sunday, December 7th, 1902, Mr. Oscar V. Hauss and Miss Effie Rudisill, all of Howard's Creek township.

The December term of Lincoln Superior Court opened last Monday, Judge Coble on the bench. Court adjourned Tuesday evening. The dockets were light and not much business of public interest was transacted.

A FRIGHTENED HORSE.
Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behoves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c. at John Tull's and W. A. Leslie's Drug Stores.

Leslie's Drug Store Holiday Announcement.



We're all thinking of Christmas, these days. The store is crowded, and nearly everybody is buying. We are glad to see it so, and are happy to be able to offer such a satisfactory Holiday Stock. Don't wait till the last day. You may not get what you want then.

LESLIE'S DRUG STORE--The Christmas Store.

FOR YEARS WE HAVE MADE THE BUYING OF HOLIDAY GOODS A PART OF OUR BUSINESS, AND WE NOW KNOW WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT. THIS YEAR OUR STOCK IS LARGER THAN EVER, THE SELECTIONS ARE BETTER. USEFUL PRESENTS HERE FOR ALL AGES, ALL POCKET-BOOKS YOU WILL FIND JUST WHAT YOU WANT, AND THE PRICE WILL PLEASE YOU. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Leather Novelties as Gifts.

It will be hard to get anything more acceptable for the money. Pocket-books, Purses, Card Cases, Bill Books, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Traveling Cases, Albums, and a great many little articles dainty and nice to give to men or women.

Card Cases, 25c. to \$2.50
Burnt Leather Cigarette Cases, \$1.00 to \$1.25
Cigar Cases, 1.00 to 1.50
Bill Book, 25c. to 1.00
Traveling Cases, 75c. to 2.50
Photo Albums, 25c. to 4.00

Cut Glass.

This always makes an acceptable gift on all occasions. We have the best American cut.

Cut Glass Vases, 25c. to \$5.00
" Water Bottles, \$3.50 to 5.00
" Sugar and Cream, each, 1.50
" Tumblers, set, 5.00
" Water Pitchers, 10.00
" Cream Pitchers, 5.00
" Candle Sticks, 1.00 to 2.50
" Bowls, 2.00 to 7.50

Genuine Bisque Figures.

50c., 75c. and \$1.25. Very handsome. Other Figures, 15c. and 25c.

Are You Looking for a Present for a Man.

Meerscham Pipes, plain or with gold or silver mountings, \$3.00 to \$7.00
Briar-wood Pipes, plain or mounted, in cases, 75c. to 2.50
Pipes without cases, 25c. to 75c.
Cinco Cigars, put up in boxes of 25, for Imported Cigars, 10c., 3 for 25c.
Match Boxes, 25c. to 2.50
Cigarette Cases in sterling silver, burnt leather, etc., Cigar Cases, Shaving Outfits in cases, Soap Boxes in pure white celluloid

and metal, Travelling Cases—comb and brush, silver pencil, etc.
It's dead easy to find a present in this large stock for any man, no matter how hard he is to please. We have done all the worrying in selecting presents for men. "It's hard to do, but we've done it."

Novelties in Fine China.

We have some very handsome odd pieces of the finest China. You will find many things in this line to interest you. Some are very rare pieces, which it would be hard to duplicate.

Fancy Cups and Saucers, After Dinner Cups and Saucers, Vases, Sugar and Creams, Shaving Mugs, etc.

Quadruple Silver Plated Ware.

Here you will find many beautiful pieces, and the opportunity of your life to buy them for less than they are worth. We are going to close out every piece in stock if the price will do it.

Quadruple Silver Tea Spoons, set, \$1.50
" Table " set, \$2.50 to 3.00
" Coffee " set, 1.50
" Child's Set, 1.00
Sugar Bowls, 2.00
Cream Pitchers, 2.00
Tea Pots, 3.00 to 5.00
Shaving Mug and Brush, 2.20
Cups, 25c. to 2.00
Berry Spoons, \$1.50; Gold Lined, 2.00
Soup Ladle, 2.00
Tea Sets, 3.50 to 8.00

Many odd pieces which will make a useful present, and you should avail yourself of the opportunity to buy them for what they cost at wholesale.

Baskets, Baskets, Baskets.

All kinds of them. All kinds of baskets, all shapes and sizes. The prettiest line of baskets to be seen anywhere. Baby baskets, Candy baskets, Lunch baskets, Waste baskets, Work baskets, Hampers or

Clothes baskets. They make useful as well as ornamental presents. Nothing could be nicer. Some of them have borders of sweet scented grass.
5c. to \$3.00.

Spectacles and Eye Glasses.

Every year we sell numbers of Spectacles for Christmas presents, and what could be more appropriate for your father or mother. We are sole agents here for the world renowned Hawkes' spectacles. They are recognized everywhere as the clearest, brightest lenses made. We warrant every pair sold to give entire satisfaction or they may be returned.

Hawkes', aluminum frames, 75c. to \$2.50
Gold filled frames, warranted 10 years, 3.50
Steel frames from 50c. up
Eyeglasses, 75c. to 2.50

Sterling Silver ⁹²⁵/₁₀₀₀ Fine.

The prettiest line of Sterling Silver Novelties ever shown in Morganton. They were bought direct from one of the largest manufacturers in the country. Our prices will be found lower than ever.

Toilet Sets, 3 to 10 pieces, \$3.00 to \$25.00
Mirrors, 4.00 to 6.00
Comb and Brush, 3.50 to 6.00
Child's Set, 2.00 to 3.00
Bonnet Brushes, 75c. to 2.00
Hat Brushes, 25c. to 50c.
Pencils, 25c. to 50c.
Puff Boxes, cut glass, 4.00 to 6.00
Combs, 50c. to 1.50
Whisk Brooms, 75c. to 1.50
Tea Balls, Tea Bells, among many other small pieces in silver. No trouble to find a suitable present in this line for a man, woman or child. They are attractively displayed, and you will have no trouble in making a selection. Chatelaine Bags, German Silver, Cut Steel and Leather Bags. Some very handsome ones. A suitable present for any woman. Every woman wants one.

Kodaks.

For Christmas presents they are becoming more

popular every year. They are appropriate for grown people or children, and are a source of pleasure at all times. The Eastman Kodak is as near perfect as they can be made. Any child with a little practice can make good pictures.

Brownie No. 1 Kodak, \$1.00
" No. 2 " 2.00
Bull's Eye No. 2 " 6.50
Flexo No. 2 " 4.00
Folding Pocket Kodaks, all sizes, 4.50 to 12.00

Ebony Goods--Silver Mounted.

Mirror, 50c.
Comb and Brush, 75c.
Comb, Brush and Mirror, \$1.50
Velvet brush, 50c.
Hat brush, 50c.
Cloth brush, 50c.
Military brushes, pair, 1.00
Antique Ivory Military sets, Toilet sets, etc.
Manicure sets in sterling silver, stag handles. Glove and Handkerchiefs boxes, Soap boxes, Work boxes. Burnt Wood Combs, Brushes, Mirrors, Cloth brushes, Hat brushes, Military brushes. Many novelties in Burnt Wood.

Fine Perfumes.

For the Holidays, a new line of Alfred Wright's and Colgate's fancy packages suitable for presents, 5c. to \$1.50 per bottle. Violet water 10c. to 25c., Sachet powders in any quantity, all the popular odors. Roger & Gallet's Vera Violette \$1.25, Toilet powder 25c.

Ho! for Santa Claus.

As usual we have a nice line of Toys for children. Hobby Horses, Double Rocking Horses, Express Wagons, Doll Carriages, Dolls, Books, Games, Tool Chests, Magic Lanterns, Go Carts, and in fact everything a child's heart could desire for Christmas.

Old Santa Claus will not disappoint the children this year. We have a stock of Toys that would do credit to a city store. The prices are lower than usual. This is a nice, clean stock, you will see just what you want. Come yourself and ring the children.

LESLIE'S DRUG STORE.