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NOTICE.

Foreclosure of Deed of Trust.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by R. H. Andrews, Jr., of the County of Burke, North Carolina, to A. B. Andrews, Jr., party of the second part, and A. H. Erwin, party of the third part, said deed of trust being dated Jan. 10, 1903, to secure a certain bond due and payable January 10, 1903, therein described, which deed of trust is recorded in Book 27, page 54, of the office of the Register of Deeds for Burke County, and whereas default having been made in the payment of the principal sum of said bond, and the power of sale therein contained has become operative, the undersigned, as the trustee in the before recited deed of trust, will on Monday May 18, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon at the Court House in the City of Morganton, sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder the following described lot of land, situated in Burke County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows: Situated on the north bank of the Catawba River just above the rocky ford of said river, known as the Rocky Ford farm, containing one hundred and fifty acres, being the land devised by A. H. Erwin to S. B. Erwin for his life and residue to his children, the same being fully described in the will of said A. H. Erwin recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Burke County, reference to which is made for a full description, together with all and singular the tenements and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining. This April 6, 1903.
A. B. ANDREWS, JR.,
Party of the second part.
S. J. Erwin, Attorney.

Notice of Town Election.

Pursuant to an act passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina for the year 1903, we, the Board of Elections for Burke County, do hereby order an election to be held at the court house in Morganton on Tuesday, May the 5th, 1903, to elect a mayor and six commissioners for the town of Morganton and for the sale or no sale of spirituous, malt and vinous liquors in said town and whether by bar or dispensary in the manner prescribed by law. H. A. Howard is appointed registrar and I. P. Jeter and M. P. Hildebrand judges of said election.

By order of the Board of Elections for Burke County.

J. E. COULTER,
April 6, 1903. Secretary.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

As Told by the Papers in the Neighboring Counties.

CATAWBA.

Newton Enterprise, April 17th.
Mr. Morgan Killian, of Hickory township, died one day last week. He lived on the road between Hickory and Catawba Springs.

There was a big hail-storm in the Kidsville section of Lincoln county, Monday night. All the window glass in Mr. A. A. Keever's house was knocked out.

The electric light wire was struck by lightning Sunday night. The Presbyterian and Reformed churches were thrown in total darkness in the midst of sermons, and the services had to be suspended until lamps could be procured.

We learn by telephone message from Terrell that the barn of Mr. J. A. Moss was struck by lightning Monday night and set on fire. The building, two horses, all farming tools and roughness were lost. The loss was \$500.00 or \$600, and no insurance.

Mr. O. M. Jarrett, of Brady's township, died Friday night of bladder trouble. He had been an invalid for several months and his death was not unexpected. He was about sixty years old and a man much respected in his community. His remains were interred at Grace church Sunday.

Mr. Pete Little died at his home near Oxford Ford Monday morning. He was one of the oldest men in Cline's township, having reached the ripe age of 82. He was the father of Mr. Cephus Little, the late Rev. M. L. Little and several other sons. He was buried at St. Peter's church Tuesday.

The second city ticket in Hickory was nominated Tuesday night. Mr. B. F. Campbell was nominated for Mayor and Messrs. J. A. Martin, Geo. Hutton, A. Y. Sigmon and others for aldermen. The other candidate for mayor is Mr. J. D. Elliott. The liquor question will be voted on in a separate box.

More rains and freshets every week! Monday night's rain was terrific. Farmers say it washed their lands more than any this year. The creeks are kept out of banks half the time. This is just such an April as we had two years ago. That year we had freshet after freshet throughout April and May, culminating in the record breaker about May 20th that did a million dollars damage to the bottom lands on the Catawba river in Catawba, Burke, McDowell and Mecklenburg counties.

The wheat crop, which a month ago was so promising all over Catawba county, has within the last two weeks received a most decided set-back. Exactly what the trouble is, farmers are not agreed. Some say the wheat is full of flies which are sucking the life out of it. Others say it was damaged by the cold weather of week before last, and others think the rust is hurting it. It is probable that all these have something to do with the deterioration in the growing crop which everybody notices and nobody disputes.

A SWEET BREATH

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CALDWELL.

Lenoir News, April 17th.
Dr. Harrill, the State Smallpox specialist, was here last week and after examining several cases in this county pronounced it the genuine article.

Prof. J. Y. Joyner, Superintendent of Public Instruction, has called a meeting of the trustees of the Appalachian Training school to convene at Blowing Rock on May 15.

Mrs. A. B. Prestwood and her daughter were badly shocked by lightning last Sunday afternoon. They were in the barn at home a few miles south of town, when lightning struck a tree and the barn, shocking both of them and making them very sick for a time. Dr. Ivey prescribed for them and at last accounts they are getting along very well.

Mrs. W. L. Minish, of this place, died in Baltimore about 1 o'clock last Saturday. Her remains were brought home for interment, her husband who was with her arriving here with the remains Sunday evening. The funeral took place from the Methodist church Monday afternoon and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends.

One of the negroes living near Hobart in the western part of the county who was afflicted with smallpox died last Sunday night. We understand there are several cases in that vicinity, and practically nothing is being done to prevent the spread of the disease. Dr. Kent, the county physician, while giving medical attention is powerless to enforce any quarantine regulations, and we hear the commissioners have taken no action in this particular instance.

WATAUGA.

Boone Democrat, April 15th.
Snow the 15th of April and a heavy wood fire seems quite strange, but such are the conditions here now.

Two violators of the Internal Revenue Laws from Caldwell, Messrs. Crump and Bolick, were tried before Commissioner Bryan on Monday, charged with retailing. They were both found guilty, and are now biding their time in jail awaiting the next term of the Federal court in Statesville.

Sheriff Baird left Monday for Statesville and Raleigh. He took Phillips and Walsler, who were convicted of larceny at the last term of court, to the Iredell chain gang, and Roby Warren, who submitted to murder in the second degree, to the penitentiary, where he will serve a term of five years at hard labor.

County Surveyor Vandyke handed us some days ago a tax receipt that to find another in the county so ancient would be a task. Here it is: "2 July, 1791. Received of Simon Shull his Public & County Taxes for the year 1789. Received by me, William Morrison, C. S." The query is who was Sheriff Morrison and what county was this when he was doing business here?

LINCOLN.

Lincolnton Journal, April 17th.
Mr. Daniel Reep, a highly respected citizen of Reepsville, died on Saturday, April 11th, of paralysis.

Henry Rhokey, the colored man who shot his brother, Lee Rhokey, at Crouse, was sentenced on last Friday to a term of twelve months on the public roads of Gaston county.

The April term of the Superior Court ended Saturday of last week. It was to have been a two week's term, but all the cases set for trial on both the criminal and civil docket were disposed of by Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Jennings, who were married at Clover, S. C., Wednesday, April 1st, returned to Lincolnton last week. While away they visited Jacksonville, St. Augustine and other Southern points. They will board at the Hinson house.

Mr. D. E. D. Lane was married to Miss Essie Beam, of North Brook township, on Sunday, April 12th. The marriage was solemnized at the home of the bride, and was witnessed by only a few friends of the contracting parties. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Chas. W. Beam, one of the commissioners of Lincoln county.

The Secretary of State has chartered the South Fork Company, of Maiden. This corporation has for its object the establishment of an educational institute at Maiden to be under the charge of the Baptist churches of the South Fork district. Prof. B. W. Allen, of Warsaw, N. C., has been elected principal, and it is expected that the school will open by September 1st, 1903.

It is not necessary to go away from home to find that bad roads are a menace to both the farmer and the manufacturer. The Grigg Manufacturing Company, of Lincolnton, have not been able to work their entire force of hands at any time during the winter because the roads of the county are in such condition that the farmers who have maple wood to sell can not haul the stocks to the company's yards.

Miss Julia Beattie, the daughter of E. Beattie, Esq., died at her home, four miles south-east of Lincolnton, on Sunday, April 12th. She was about forty years of age, and possessed many fine traits of character. Being the only daughter at home, she was the chief comfort of her aged parents, to whom she was ever devoted. In the bereaved home circle and in the community she will be greatly missed.

In the case of Thos. Ewers vs. the Seaboard Air Line Railroad the jury returned a verdict last Friday afternoon for \$750 in favor of the plaintiff. The complaint alleged that Ewers, the plaintiff, had purchased a ticket from Athens, Ga., and return; and was told by the agent at Shelby that it was all right. When the conductor came to Ewers for his ticket, he found that it had not been stamped by the agent at Shelby. Ewers refused to pay additional fare and was put off the train at Crouse. The suit was brought to recover punitive damage.

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McDOWELL.

Marion News, April 16th.
The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Blanton died last Saturday, very suddenly, of heart failure. It was only about one month old.

Mr. John Edwards and Miss Lillie Hemphill, of Nebo, were married on Sunday, April 5th, at 10 a. m., by Rev. M. L. Kaylor. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards left this week, with several others, for Canton, O., where they will live.

An unusual sight was presented to-day in Marion. A wild duck was seen in the pond of water which has accumulated in the excavation across the street from the court house. It was evidently crippled and placed there by some boys.

Marion will soon have electric lights, so we are informed by Col. Sinclair. The town authorities granted a franchise for the purpose last Tuesday night and Col. Sinclair says the lights will be up in ninety days. He leaves in a few days for Charlotte to enter into a contract for putting up the plant.

The revival services which were commenced on Sunday, the 5th inst., at the Methodist church, are still in progress and will continue through the week. There seems to be a good deal of interest manifested. Large crowds have attended and several have professed to be saved. A great deal of good is being accomplished. The pastor, Rev. W. H. Willetts, is doing some good, earnest work, and deserves the co-operation of every christian.

CLEVELAND.

Shelby Star, April 15th.
Several places in Cleveland county will celebrate memorial day. The following places will fittingly observe the day: Shelby, Patterson Springs, Union and Ross' Grove.

Mr. William Irvine Faysou, the boy mind reader and hypnotist, gave two of his remarkable performances in Shelby last week. His feats of mind reading are striking and many of them are unusual. He is a native of Gastonia.

Mr. B. F. Wilson, of Patterson Springs, brought us a tremendous hen egg Saturday. It measured 6 1/2 inches around sideways and 8 inches endwise, and was laid by a small game hen. It had two or three yolks and a corresponding amount of white.

Hatcher Thomason, colored, who was serving a ten months sentence on the chaingang, escaped Saturday morning after a hot chase. He managed to slip his shackles off over his foot and get a little ways from the gang and he proceeded to "burn the wind."

This section was visited by heavy rains Sunday night, Monday and Tuesday night. The creeks and other streams are all greatly swollen. The farmers have had little opportunity so far to make preparations for planting, and the wheat crop has been greatly damaged by the rust, caused by continuous wet weather.

Dr. R. C. Ellis found a mummified rat in his store, closed in a box—mummified, and his frame left high and dry, indicating death by starvation. His frame was a bare skeleton and his bones and teeth stood out prominent—his claws hard by his mouth. He must have been there for months and a perfect specimen of a starved creature—thoroughly mummified.

Since the passage of the bill incorporating the Audubon Society and the act providing for the better protection of the birds of the State it is against the law to kill birds, rob or destroy their nests, and our people generally, especially the boys, should remember this. The only birds you have a right to kill at this season of the year, or rob their nests are the English

sparrows, owls, hawks, crows, blackbirds, jackdaws and rice-birds. It is against the law to kill any others or to rob their nests.

Mr. J. P. Moss, of Grover, was here Monday and gave us a call. He says Grover is surpassing her past record as a marrying mecca. Last Sunday there were nine couples from Bessemer City married at Grover by Rev. T. H. Mullmax, in addition to two or three couples from this county. Mr. Moss says from one to six couples get married at Grover every Sunday.

Rev. R. W. Jones, of Forest City, recently performed the ceremony that united the lives and fortunes of two young people at Forest City, both of whom were deaf and dumb. A gentleman was remarking upon the unusualness of this occurrence in The Star office Tuesday, when another gentleman present remarked that he knew a similar marriage a few years ago, who now have two children, both of whom can hear and talk.

GASTON.

Gastonia Gazette, April 17th.
Strawberries are ripe, Master Grier Love presented The Gazette office with some fine home-grown specimens yesterday. Mrs. R. L. Johnson and Mr. W. L. Gallant are also reported on the list of those who have had ripe berries this season.

Several of the older inhabitants of the town recall that Wednesday, the 15th, was the 54th anniversary of a good sized snow which fell to the depth of four or five inches over this section. Fruit trees were in bloom and wheat and corn were several inches high. Fruit was a total failure and crops of all kinds were short on account of this unusual occurrence in the year of 1854.

Their many friends sympathize deeply with Mr. and Mrs. George McCall, of Clover, in the loss of their sweet little daughter, Gussie. She was four years old, and died Saturday at the home of Mr. Joseph A. Adams near Clover. The funeral exercises at the residence were conducted by Revs. S. H. Hay and W. A. Hefner, after which the little body was gently laid to rest in the Clover cemetery.

At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McArver near the Modena, Mrs. J. A. McAllister died at six o'clock Wednesday evening. She had been in failing health for many months on account of lung disease. Four or five months ago Mr. McAllister brought his wife from Mt. Holly, where they lived, to Gastonia, where she could receive the care and attention of her mother. She leaves a husband and some small children to mourn their great loss.

A unanimous call to become its pastor was extended to Rev. W. F. Watson last Sunday by the Monroe Baptist church. This is the church which recently sent a delegation to attend Mr. Watson's church services without his knowledge. The nature of the committee's report is indicated in the call extended. Mr. Watson is in Monroe today looking over the field with a view to considering the call. Dr. A. M. Croxton, the present pastor at Monroe, will retire the first of June.

A THOUGHTFUL MAN.

M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c. at John Tull's and W. A. Leslie's Drug stores.

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BIG WRECK ON THE SOUTHERN.

The Fast Mail Crashed into a Rock on the Track Near Lexington—Engineer and Fireman Killed.

Charlotte Observer, 14th.
While running about 60 miles an hour the Southern's fast mail, No. 97, ran into a large rock on the track near Conrad, three miles north of Lexington, last evening at 7:07 o'clock, and was totally wrecked. Engineer Daniel Davis and the negro fireman, named Johnson, were killed.

The fast mail was delayed on account of the wreck of a freight train at Jamestown and was running about three hours behind time. The car where the accident occurred is not long and is about 40 feet high. There is a curve on the northern side of the cut, and it is supposed that Engineer Davis did not see the rock until he was quite close to it—if he saw it at all. The rock was very large, so large that the colored track walker who saw it shortly before the accident occurred was unable to lift it from the track and was running to Lexington to get sufficient force to remove the rock when the wreck occurred.

The engine, striking the obstacle with terrific force, broke it into thousands of pieces and scattered it for a hundred yards along the track. Plunging out of the curve, the engine left the track, and swerving 30 feet from the rails, buried itself over and over again in a long level field. Two hundred and fifty feet from where the rock was struck the engineer was thrown from his cab, hurled out among the mass of heavy bodies, was caught under the front mail car, which was dented of tracks, and pinned to the earth.

The engine, immediately after striking the stone, became a tumultuous mass of steel and iron and was so scattered along the rails and in the field as to suggest that it had been the victim of an explosion. Only the cab seemed to be even partly intact. The cab was 30 or 40 feet from the track, lying in a pool of water. Railroad men who examined the cab stated that the engineer had not put on air brakes, and inferred from this that he was against the rock before he was aware of the imminence of danger.

The tender followed closely in the wake of the engine and in some miraculous way proved a place of safety for two white hoboes, J. E. Galger, of Spencer, and Walter Whitmore, who rode on the forward part of the tender, just next to the engine, of course, and yet escaped without a scratch. They were carried with the wreckage for nearly a hundred yards, and yet stepped off the torn up tender without having suffered even inconvenience. These hoboes stated that just before the accident occurred they heard the sound of an exploding torpedo, and think that this was a danger signal placed on the track by some one. Yet railroad men maintain that no one, except the colored track walker, was aware of the fact that the rock was on the track.

The conductor on the fast mail, Mr. Dunheller, and the mail clerks also had a wonderful escape. According to regulations the mail clerks should have been scattered, or distributed, in three cars, but it so happened that for one cause and another all the clerks, as well as the conductor, were in the rear coach at the time of the accident. Beyond being pretty badly shaken up none of the occupants of the car suffered any injury. The mail clerks were: C. T. Miller, chief clerk; T. S. Clark, W. T. Brewer, C. T. Benson, William Simms and J. E. Gadger.

All the other cars, as well as the engine and tender were shorn of trucks. With their violent impact the solid pieces of flying iron tore up the tracks for over 200 feet, lifting the rails and cross-ties and hurling them in every direction. The train carried no passengers.

ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to try Electric Bitters; my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at John Tull's and W. A. Leslie's drug stores.

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Newton Enterprise.
The potato farmers of Catawba county have been hustling the last few weeks, crating and shipping off last year's crop.

On account of the mild winter, the demand from the central and eastern counties of this State for Catawba county potatoes has not been as active as during a cold winter. Potatoes have kept in hills and the old way of storing them, and our farmers, who keep their potatoes in specially built houses, have had to look more than ever to the Northern markets. Boston is the best selling place for Catawba sweet potatoes. They have been going the past two months by the crate and the carload, until the farmers have disposed of their crops, except what they need for bedding.

Potatoes have netted the shippers in Boston from 60 to 80 cents a bushel. The local price has remained about 50 cents, the same as during the winter months. Last year at this time the price went up to about 75 cents.

It would be interesting to know the number of bushels of sweet potatoes that is annually shipped from Catawba county. It is now one of our largest and best crops. Since wheat has become such an uncertain crop, the sweet potato is a most important supplement to many a farmer's income. The marketing is done in the spring and yields pocket money for summer expenses. Even at 50 cents a bushel it is a profitable crop.

The townships that have gone most extensively into potato farming are Hickory, Cline's, Newton and Jacob's Fork, though the other four townships are getting into it more and more every year.

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