

COURTS AND THE PEOPLE.

There's too much difference between the courts and the people—too much "Big I and little you." Of course all good citizens will bow to and obey the judgments of our courts, but then these good citizens are entitled to some consideration also.

The lack of back-bone on the part of many of our judges is largely the cause of so many congested dockets. All kinds of excuses are given for not being ready to try, and the judge gives way, oftentimes adjourning court for several days, with jurors and witnesses lying around at the expense of the county, perhaps waiting on some one man in the case who failed to appear at the appointed time.

For several years it has been the custom in Burke and other counties for the local bar to get together and arrange a calendar for the court, and it is a fine idea, if the program were carried out. It is supposed that those interested know what they are doing when they make the calendar, and if the court can go ahead with it as arranged there is a great saving of time and expense as against the old way, where litigants, jurors and witnesses came on the first day of court and remained until discharged.

With many of our courts, however, it seems that more business would be done by going back to the old way and taking the docket "like Kelly did the dew-berries"—as it comes—if the parties interested are not ready in one case take up another.

But the judge is the "boss," and the people who placed him in his position expected him to run the court as it should be run, and the people are not unreasonable.

Mitchell County and Miss Holman. Charity and Children. Here is what we have to say! If you men of Mitchell county have a spark of manhood you will respectfully but firmly deny the right of this orator to impale you before a fearful world; and you will not stultify yourselves by giving her countenance, much less sympathy or support.

It is not to the credit of you Mitchell people that this tireless talker has lived among you ten years. Somebody has given her aid and comfort. Somebody has crawled at her feet for the trifles she bestowed. Somebody has played the sycophant and groveled in the dust.

We do not say what she mentions may not actually have occurred; but she has no right to draw this hideous picture of isolated cases of ignorance and superstition, and hold an intelligent section of North Carolina up to ridicule.

It is up to you men of Mitchell. You can put a stop to it if you will: And if you do not assert your own manhood and invite your slanderers out of your borders you must continue to suffer the odium they put upon your names!

TRY IT, TRY IT Try Dr. Bell's Antiseptic Salve for all skin troubles. It is as pleasant sweet cream and guaranteed to give satisfaction in worst cases. 25c a box.

Some special bargains in Single and Double Barrel Shot Guns. MORGANTON HARDWARE CO.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM IMMEDIATELY RELIEVED. Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had inflammatory rheumatism in every muscle and joint; her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians, but received no benefit until she tried Dr. DePon's Relief for Rheumatism. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I am sure it saved her life." Sold by W. A. Leslie, Druggist.

Dr. Bell's Antiseptic Salve Good for all Skin Diseases.

Glen Alpine.

The year of 1910 will soon pass into history. It has been a remarkable year in many respects. We are at peace with all the world, our crops are good, in fact the greatest we have ever had. Other causes of thankfulness to the Giver of all good and perfect gifts.

Things are moving here as usual. The big dam at the J. D. Pitts water mill is about half completed. The mills are running on full time. From the looks of stores Christmas seems to be in the air. The high school, by the nods and knowing looks of the children, must be getting up one of their noted entertainments which are so well enjoyed by all who have the good fortune to be present.

I had occasion a few days ago to visit Spartanburg and Greenville, rival towns in our sister State of South Carolina. I saw much to amuse, interest and instruct. I went by way of Southern to Marion Junction and from there on the C. & O. to Spartanburg. This road is new, the service is good and the towns along the route are new and look well, considering the time the road has been running. One town, Chesnee, 16 miles north of Spartanburg, has 6 stores, 12 or 15 dwelling houses, a nice depot, a cotton mill, building all been done inside of 12 months. Spartanburg has a population of about 25 or 30 thousand, well built, nice streets, car service, a nice, clever people. I met several of our Morganton boys—Mr. Moulton Phifer, Messrs. Ben and Ralph Kibler and others, who were glad to see us. Greenville, 31 miles south of Spartanburg, is well built. They are spending a large sum, nearly a million dollars, in improving the streets. The streets are wider, the sidewalks of concrete, ample for the travel. A Masonic temple about completed at a cost when ready for business approximately 50 thousand dollars. Nice churches and good schools. A Baptist female college here said to have 1,000 pupils. I saw on the streets a fine automobile, with all the necessary fire apparatus clippings along with it. I saw more than trains run on the Southern. I saw at the depot, which is a credit to a much larger town, an electric car running from there to Anderson, 30 miles—the front end cigar shaped, the rear like a steam yacht, about the length of a railroad coach. About two-thirds of length was for passengers. It seemed to move smoothly and nicely. If you should ask Spartanburg people which was the best town, that or Greenville, they would tell you that Greenville was not in it. The Greenville folks would tell you Spartanburg could not hold them a light. The people in both towns are clever and accommodating. Messrs. Brather and Charlie Brown and Ben Sloan, old Morganton boys, are living in Greenville and doing well. I saw other Tar Heels, all getting along nicely and glad to meet a brother Tar Heel. A seven-story hotel building going up in Spartanburg, Greenville people are getting ready to have one too. For all the thrift, enterprise and prosperity they can't make a climate like ours, nor have the pure water. What we need in Morganton to make it grow is a first-class, up-to-date hotel, a new court house and jail, and other minor needed improvements would follow. The town and county can do it, and the longer we wait the further down the line we will get. We have lots of things to be proud of and grateful for and some that we should be ashamed of. This is not written in a spirit of criticism, but for the love I have for the dear, grand old county of Burke. Let us rub the Van Winkleism out of our eyes and see ourselves as our neighbors see us—a good old sleepy old-fashioned town.

Messrs. Ed and Roy Davis of Adako, spent Sunday with their friends near Table Rock. Mr. W. A. Kincaid and son, Tom, of Worry, were present to hear Bro. Sherrill's first sermon since his return from conference. Mr. Wesley Jaynes, who has been ill, is able to be out again. Mr. Dan Wakefield and family have moved to Table Rock and are occupying the Ramsour residence. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Houk, who have been living at Table Rock for some time, have moved to Caldwell. A FRIEND, Table Rock, N. C., Dec. 6, 1910.

The peculiar properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have been thoroughly tested during epidemics of influenza, and when it was taken in time we have not heard of a single case of pneumonia. Sold by all druggists.

Table Rock Items.

There was a very good crowd out to hear Bro. Sherrill at Mountain Grove last Sunday, which showed their appreciation of his return.

The recent snow and rain was welcomed by those who had plenty of wood, for it was needed.

Mrs. Alice Coffey and Mrs. Ada Austin, of near Lenoir, spent last Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Kincaid.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McGimsey entertained the Sunday school teacher's meeting last Saturday night most delightfully.

Mr. and Mrs. Life Crouch, of Hickory, who spent a week visiting their son, Mr. John Crouch, have gone to visit Mr. and Mrs. Will Crouch, near Worry.

Miss Celia Puckett has returned to her home, after being absent for some months.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Kincaid spent last Wednesday night at the home of his mother, who is nearly 82 years old, at Muttenz, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ramsour and baby are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Martin Golloway.

Mrs. Will English, who has been ill for some time, is reported very much improved.

Misses Bula and Lexie Williams visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Winters, last week.

Mr. Balm Warlick and Mr. Roby Ledbetter, who are shackling near the Brown Mountain, spent Sunday with their relatives and friends near Table Rock.

Mr. Finley Barlow and little daughter, Maud, who have been visiting near here, have returned to their home at King's Creek, Caldwell county.

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Every Xmas I have given John and the boys fancy things that they never use. This year I am going to give them something useful. Conklin's Fountain Pen. Here is a gift that will prove useful every day for years to come. A veritable marvel of convenience.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it becomes closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Sold by all druggists free. P. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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SOMETHING JUST AS GOOD Can only be the case when it is another bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Every bottle the same. Look for the bell on the bottle.

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GRANULATED EYE LIDS are easily cured—Caustic is not necessary. Sutherland's Eagle Eye Salve is Painless and harmless and guaranteed to cure. Has never failed on a case, costs 25c.

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I. I. DAVIS & SON.

Morgantown Sale of Land. By virtue of a mortgage deed executed the 12th Jan., 1907, by Cornelius Caldwell, to Goodson, Brittain & Powell, and default made thereon, we the undersigned surviving members of the firm of Goodson, Brittain & Powell, will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Morganton, on the first Monday in Jan., 1911, all the right, title and interest of Cornelius Caldwell, in that certain tract of land, on or near the McDowell Ford road, in the north-western suburbs of Morganton, beginning on E. K. Pressell's corner and running with the old McDowell Ford road to a rock in the center of the branch, were said road crosses the branch, then a north course, with the fence and line, as run and marked by W. E. Walton, for said Caldwell, as said lines are marked, to the beginning. Said lands are sold subject to the rights of A. M. Kistler, under a tax sale of said lands, for the years 1907 and 1908, and to the payment by him of the taxes to the State and county, town and graded school, for the years 1909, and 1910. This Dec. 5th, 1910. R. F. GOODSON, V. POWELL, Surviving partners of Goodson, Brittain & Powell. By J. T. Perkins, Atty.

Sale of Lands of Silas S. Singleton, Deceased. By virtue of an order of sale made and entered in certain special proceedings in the Superior Court of Burke county, State of North Carolina, entitled J. V. Singleton and others, ex parte, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door, in the town of Morganton, county of Burke and State aforesaid, on Monday, the 12th day of December, 1910, (the same being the day fixed in the order of the court) between the first and second o'clock of the forenoon, the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: Lying and being in the county of Burke and State of North Carolina, Lower Creek township, beginning on a post-on on the north side of the public road, Willis Duckworth's corner, and runs north with his line 7 poles to a red-oak, his corner, in Clark's line; then east with Clark's line 59 poles to a stake and pointer at a forked white-oak, Clark's corner; then south with Clark's line 14 poles to a red-oak, his corner; then south with the line of the branch; then down the branch, south 49° west 20 poles to a stake in the branch; then south 62 poles to a stake in the branch; Princes, now Willis Duckworth's line 18 poles to a stake in a path; his corner; then south 79° west with road and Duckworth's line 2 poles to a stake, his corner; then north 82° west with the path and his line 4 poles to a stake in the path and in M. Z. Burns' line; then north with Burns' line 24 poles to a rock, his corner; then the old ferry road Duckworth's north corner; then north 20° east 56 poles then north 82° east 30 poles; then north 82° east 30 poles; then north 59° east 28 poles to the beginning, containing 7 1/2 acres more or less. Said land sold for partition among the heirs at law of Silas S. Singleton, deceased. Biddings to commence at 2:30 P. M., J. C. Abbe's office. This the 11th day of November, 1910. J. B. HOLLOWAY, Commissioner. Avery & Ervin, Attys.

OLD TIME Fiddlers' Convention, Graded School Auditorium, MORGANTON, N. C., TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY Nights, Dec. 27th and 28th. Prizes from \$5.00 to \$10.00. FULL PROGRAM NEXT WEEK.

Musician, exclusively will be entertained free of charge. Positively no one allowed on the stage except musicians, judges and managers. All proceeds except actual expenses for benefit of Burke County Confederate Monument Fund. Reserved Seats 35cts. General Admission 25cts.

G. H. LOWDERMILK, Fine Groceries and Confections. I am still in business at the old Hogan corner and carrying a stock of Groceries, Confections, Fruits, etc., unexcelled in Morganton. Give me a call and see if I don't do you right. My goods are all fresh, and only a reasonable profit is asked. I am thankful to friends for past favors and shall try and merit a continued liberal patronage. Respectfully, G. H. LOWDERMILK.

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We have the best farm in the county for sale. Morgantown Insurance & Realty Co., (INCORPORATED) FRED L. HUFFMAN, Manager.

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