Western Carolina News

WEAVERVILLE.

Weaverville, Jan. 18.—There has been recently much discussion and criticism hereabouts in fegard to the refusal of the county commissioners, at their last meeting, to order a road laid off along the southern side of Hamburg mountain, to intersect with the town mountain road, two miles and a half east of Weaverville. There was only one citizen to oppose the road, which a goodly number of petitioners desired. Those who urged the absolute necessity of the opening of the road are of the opinion that the commissioners should have ordered it laid off and let the jury report whether there should be any damages. It is contended that no reasonable jury would assess any damages whatever, for the reason that every land owner, through whose land the proposed road would pass, would be greatly benefitted, rather than damaged. Then it is urged by those who are suffering for the road that if damages should be assessed (a result by no means likely) then in that event, those who need the road would stand ready if the damages be anything in the bounds of reason, to pay such amount as the jury would assess, and thus not allow the county to pay a dollar of it. But all these arguments amount to nothing with the honorable board, and so it continues to be the case that some citizens have no road to get out to mill or to church. They are bottled up and can get no relief from the officers whose duty it is to remedy such evils.

Several of these citizens who are deprived of their rights by the arbitrary acts of the present board are very outspoken in their comments on the situation. Some of them are life-long republicans, but say that they do not hope for any action in the matter until a change can be made by the election of a new board. One prominent republican, interested in this matter, has made the statement publicly, and often that in his judgment the republican party now has not county officers to attend public business who have sense enough to run a beef market.

Now, out this way, it may be said that everybody, both democrats and republicans, have great respect for Tom Hale Weaver, Esq., one of the present board. But one man, however intelligent, upright and free from prejudice, can not be expected to control matters where there are two others who make up the board.

A number of new students from adjacent counties have entered college here in the last few days, the spring term of this scholaristic year having just begun. The school grows steadily and many of the counties throughout the western section of the state are well represented. The terms of the present faculty will expire at the approaching commencement. The trustees may likely increase the number of professors at their annual meeting in May. T Hale Weaver, Esq., is the president of the board.

The intelligence lately contained in the papers to the effect that Marion is soon likely to be placed in telephonic connection with Burnsville and Bakersville has awakened some discussion here as to the desirability of the establishment of a line from here to Burnsville. This would give Asheville a large territory to be reached by the long distance 'phone. Interest in the matter is being manifested here, and as the line would pass through a heavily timbered section it is said that the poles, one of the largest items of expense in the undertaking, could be procured at exceedingly low rates. If the same interest should be taken in the matter in Burnsville and Asheville as is found to exist here, it is thought that the line will shortly be constructed.

ESMERALDA.

Esmerlda Inn, Hickory Nut Gap, Jan. 18.—The annual turkey shoot of Hickory Nut Gap took place at Esmeralda on Saturday last. In the past New Year's day was the appointed time, but owing to the unavoidable absence of seventeen of the best shots, who are in durance vile at Hendersonville, in consequence of some little misunderstanding, they had with the United States revenue authorities, it was postponed, without avail, however, so it took place without them.

The first men on the ground were from the classic hamlet of Bat Cave, who came out in force. Shortly after yells were heard from the north side of the Gap, which heralded the approach of the sturdy mountaineer from old Bald mountain, and a rugged strong looking body of men they were, most of them six feet high and over in their stockings, and all equipped with deer-skin shot pouches, powder horns and armed with the heavy old muzzle-loading rifles of their forefathers, and very picturesque they looked with their old slouch hats and garments of many patches.

The place where the match took place was well worthy of the men, as it is situated among the wildest and most picturesq scenery on this continent, about half a mile below the Esmeralda Inn, and on the bank of the rushing Broad river, with its numberless cascades. Chimney Rock and the Phantom Arch towered 2,000 feet above their heads, and Hickory Nut Falls with a sheer drop of 900 feet came plashing down from the mountain top.

As the revenue men have been very officious in this locality lately, it was a very orderly assemblage, and there seemed to be a blank ignorance displayed as to where any stimulating liquors could be had, but it was observed that couples would disappear occasionally behind Col. Turner's saw mill, and come back with a mild aroma hanging bout them.

As shooting at the bird is against the law in this state a target was improvised by drawing a turkey on a soap box in charcoal and hanging it on a chimney 200 yards away. The shooting was good, and the box had many holes in it. The magnificent pose that most of the contestants made when taking aim sent my thoughts back to the time when their sturdy ancestors fought at the battle of King's Mountain, which took place some miles below here in revolutionary times.

Bunnion Huntley, of Middle Fork, had the skill and luck to win the first turkeys, which were presented by Col. Turner; and Bill Hudgins, of Bald mountain, secured the other two. The other contestants unanimously agreed that it was all dumb luck, which goes to prove that Hickory Nut Gap is not exempt from the failings of the outer world.

When the match terminated the party started up the Gap to the quoit or rather horse shoe grounds, situated in the oak forest adjoining the Inn, and showed their skill in pitching horse shoes. A match game was got up between Bat Cave and Esmeralda, which created great excitement, as each party thought themselves best. Some close pitching ensued, but Esmeralda came off winner. During the game the balance of the party went further up the hill and erected some targets to shoot for a valuable watch, the property of Bunnion Huntley. It was put up at 10 cents a shoot. There were several contestants for it, and the denoument was that Bunnion had his watch again as well as nearly all the money of the party.

Mr. Barton, a guest at the Inn, hired several of the best shots to shoot for him, but without success, and Mr. Bearch, another of the guests, got his camera to work and secured a fine group picture of the party.

The shades of evening had fallen before the gathering dispersed to their mountain retreats, all satisfied with the day's pleasure. T. T.

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HENDERSONVILLE.

Hendersonville, Jan. 18.—Revenue Officer T. C. Israel captured a blockade still on Hooper's creek last Saturday. Mr. Israel, returning home, spent the night with John Russell, three miles from where the distillery was captured, and during the night his saddle was stolen. The thieves were tracked from Mr. Russell's stable for a mile, and were caught in the still house.

G. F. Stradley is in receipt of a letter from C. D. Stradley, one of the health officers at Greenville, S. C., stating that there were twenty-seven negroes in the pest-house, two miles from town with small-pox, and that not a single white person had any symptoms of the disease.

The statement that has been circulated, from a circular issued last week by the town constable, that it was a fine of $50.00 for any visitor or stranger to come to Hendersonville, is a mistake. The intention was to guard against the negroes who might be fleeing from small-pox towns or localities.

Street Superintendent J. L. Orr has greatly improved the west side of Main street in front of the Cole block by having the street macademized with rock and sand.

A phonagraph party was given by Mr. and Mrs. George F. Stradley at their home on East College street last night. A number of their friends were present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Collars, Ellen Brooks, Miss Ida Sunetsky, Miss Nellie Bey, Miss Ella Alden, Hominy; Mr. B. T. Reeves, Asheville; Sheriff Staton, Frank Barber.

There are a great number of citizens of Hendersonville who are affected with sore arms on account of vaccination.

A family named Eaton, of Chicago, have taken the Hunt house on College street for the winter. G. F. S.

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SEVERAL TOWNS.

The Wilkes county bond suit, which was to have been heard by Judge Starbuck at Winston Saturday, was postponed till the 28th.

The railway commission has ordered the Western Union Telegraph company to show cause why it should not have an up-town office at Morganton.

The Shelby Aurora is no more. Its name is to be changed to the Southern Spindle and Loom and it will be devoted largely to industrial matters.

In Lincoln county on the night of the 8th Bob Bess shot and killed Elisha Bess, both colored. The slayer is in jail. The killing resulted from a drunken row.

Mrs. Peoples, of Winston, has been awarded $450 damages against that town by a superior court jury because the reservoir leaked and the water damaged her premises.

In Sampson county a few days ago John Parker, colored, shot Ann Butler, a colored woman, because she refused to marry him. The wound is serious and may prove fatal. Parker escaped.

Dennis Linster, a colored man who lived near Mt. Mourne received injuries while trying to get off the passenger train at that point Saturday evening which resulted in his death Sunday afternoon.

Jim Smith, colored, was found dead in the road in Lincoln county Monday of last week. There was no evidence of foul play, but it was in evidence that Jeemes had imbibed rather freely of contrabrand spirits.

Monroe Enquirer: A prominent business man of this county has been figuring on the cost of raising cotton and finds that at the preset prices of cotton but ten cents per day has been realized by the cotton grower for his labor.

Mr. T. L. Moore, editor of the Iredell Record, published at Mooresville, brought suit against Mr. F. C. Starrette, formerly editor of the Mooresville Record, now editor of the China Grove Record, for libel. Mr. L. C. Caldwell is Mr. Moore's counsel.

The Boone Democrat says the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. Henry Townsend, of Banner Elk, Watauga county, was rabbit hunting when his gun was accidentally discharged, the load entering his arm above the elbow and going through his shoulder. He is expected to recover.

The Journal says Mr. David A. Coon o' Howard's Creek township, Lincoln county has an Indian game hen that is a curiosity. Beginning at the root of its bill and continuing to the tip of its tail, the feathers on one side are as black as a crow while the feathers on the other side are yellow.

Jackson township has three colored magistrates. One of them, Alfred Hood, after enjoying the festivities of "manciipation" day at Waxhaw stole a mule and hit the grit, says the Monroe Journal. The mule was recovered but the appointee of our great Butler-Russell legislature is doing business somewhere else.

The contract has been let for building the link of the Carolina and Northwestern narrow guage railroad from Hickory to Newton, ten miles. Work will begin at once and the link will be finished within five months. The road will be a parallel to the line of the Western North Carolina, on which the Carolina and Northwestern now has a third rail.

The Salisbury correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says the county commissioners of Davie refused to pay the January interest on the bonds issued by that county some years ago for the construction of the railroad from Winston to Mocksville. It is believed that this means that an attempt will be made to invalidate the bonds.

The murder trial in the superior court at Wadesboro of Will and Abe Redfern and Jake Rivers was called up on last Thursday and was in process of trial Thursday, Friday and until Saturday afternoon, and was given to the jury about 3 o'clock. The jury did not render its verdict until Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, when the following verdict was rendered: "That Will and Abe Redfern were guilty of murder in the second degree and that Jake Rivers was innocent of the charge brought against him as accessory to the murder." Will and Abe were sent to the penitentiary for twenty-one and five years respectively.

Statesville Landmark: While the North Carolina exposition car was at the depot last Thursday night a portion of the exterior of the car, on which was painted a number of handsome advertisements of various industries in the state, was defaced by some person with a sharp pointed instrument. Mr. Monroe, one of the proprietors of the car, caught a young boy who he thought was engaged in the work and the boy was identified by Mr. R. L. Head as Corum Cochrane. Next morning Corum was arrested and Mr. Moore returned here from Mooresville to attend the trial, which took place before Justice Mills. Mr. L. C Caldwell represented the plaintiff and Mr R. B. McLaughlin the defendant. On the testimony of Messrs. Moore and Head the justice adjudged the defendant guilty and fined him $5.00 and costs.

Gastonia Gazette: A strange looking caravan struck town early Monday morning. There were two covered wagons, one drawn by a pair of little mules, and the other by a pair of little ponies. The seven in the company had come by wagon from Dallas, Texas, since the 3rd day of November In answer to inquiries it was found that they were a family by the name of Wilson, who lived near Concord, whither they were returning. Two or three years ago they left the Tar Heel state and cast their lots in Texas. They didn't like it as they thought they would, and resolved to get back to their North Carolina home once more. They didn't have money enough to buy railroad tickets, nor could they sell their stuff for money necessary to buy transportation by rail. So they packed up their belongings and started home on the 3rd of last November in wagons along the road. They went first to Memphis. There they crossed the Mississippi river on a steamer. The longest trip covered in a day by their plucky little teams was thirty miles, the shortest twelve miles. At this rate they had traveled about 1,400 miles.

NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD.

A fact often overlooked, or not always understood, is that women suffer as much from distressing kidney and bladder troubles as the men. The womb is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any distress, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidney, back bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort.

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In a number of languages no characters exist for the vowel sounds, consonants only being expressed and the vowels indicated by a modification of the letter.

It is a curious fact that in the northern parts of Ireland and Scotland alphabetical characters closely resembling those of the Saxon were in common use until the end of the sixteenth century.

The oldest Jewish alphabet is supposed by some scholars to have been an adaptation of the Egyptian ideographs. Its earliest use in a monument is supposed to be the Siloam inscription at Jerusalem.

T was tow, a crossmark, and, though a respectable ancient letter, indicates by its simplicity that names among its makers had probably become scarce when they were driven to so simple an expedient.

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