

"Defence of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence," is the title of a book recently issued from the press of Edwards and Broughton Printing Co., Raleigh, N. C. The title page states that the work is "An Exhaustive of and Answer to all Attacks on the Declaration." One would infer from this that the book might be a somewhat voluminous volume, but it is very modest in size, containing about 150 pages.

We publish in another column a few lines from an exchange on the all absorbing topic of wide hats. Our friend makes a good point when he says, "every man who has to sit through a sermon behind a screen of crazy millinery gets farther away from paradise by reason of the smothered cuss words he thinks."

Salaries Increased. The hearts of several of the clerks in the postoffice here were made glad this week by reason of news from Washington of an increase in their salaries. Three clerks get an increase of \$200 a year, three of \$100 and the carriers get a raise of \$100 each.

The author has evidently been at much labor and has taken great pains to get hold of all the important facts bearing upon the case. He presents these in a systematic and forcible manner which will certainly engage the close attention of those who are interested in the subject.

An Asheville dispatch speaking of the death, by hydrophobia, of a little boy who was recently bitten by a dog, says the authorities of that city will take steps to rid the city of dogs running at large, and will require all on the street to be muzzled or chained. It strikes one as a trifle peculiar that we wait usually until a serious accident happens, before we think of enforcing existing laws for the protection of the public, or enacting new ones.

Why not see to their enforcement before an accident occurs which shocks the community? And in many of these cases, especially where fatalities result, the great pity of it is that they might have been prevented by the exercise of a little foresight. While on this question it might not be out of place to say just a word on the automobile question. We have a number of them on our streets and we believe there are laws governing their speed.

While most of the citizens who run these machines here are careful not to exceed the speed limit, and show a most commendable consideration for the safety of the public, there are others who do not. A case in point occurred a few evenings since near the corner of Main and Innis streets, which was witnessed and commented upon by several citizens. An automobile came up Main street at a very rapid rate of speed and near the corner mentioned narrowly escaped running down two children who happened to be crossing the street.

There have been a number of complaints heard as to the carelessness and utter indifference to the safety of pedestrians, of the driver of this particular machine. We do not know whether they are well founded or not, but we do know that no parent of this city has any children he wants mashed up, crippled or killed by one of these machines. A proper exercise of care and prudence will reduce the possibility of danger in this line to a minimum.

The pardon of Caleb Powers and James Howard by the Governor of Kentucky has given rise to much comment, favorable and offensive. The prevailing view, however, seems to be that under the circumstances, this was the wisest course to pursue. The men may have been guilty of implicate Goebel, but there has always been a "reasonable" doubt in the minds of the public on this point. Both men have served a number of years in prison, their repeated trials have cost the State a great deal, for as fast as one court would decide on the case another one would reverse the decision. Besides, in the condition of political turmoil Kentucky has been in since the murder of Governor Goebel it must be apparent that Gov. Wilson is not wide the mark when he says that the trial of these men could not be had in Kentucky without "mixing up politics with it."

Peck, J. M., a carpenter of this city, died Sunday morning at his home in the South Ward, his resulting from a complication of troubles. McDONALD, J. M., of Murray, Ky., died at Ching Grove Sunday. The remains were taken to the former home of the deceased for interment. Mr. McDonald was secretary and treasurer of the Frankfort Chair Company at China Grove.

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Big COST Sale AT BRITAIN AND CAMPBELL. Goes on with a whoop and will continue until the end of June. Don't think because we haven't got a page ad, in this paper this sale has stopped, Its because we can't afford to sell goods at cost and keep up a big ad. The goods are here for you at wholesale prices and you can have them any time this month.

BRITAIN & CAMPBELL, Salisbury, N. C. Don't forget our big line of Suits, Skirts, Shirt Waists, Muslin Underwear, Dress Goods, Embroideries and everything goes in this BIG COST SALE.

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Manufacturing Plant FOR SALE. At a meeting of the stockholders of the Crescent Mfg. Co., I was elected as agent to dispose of said plant, and on the First Day of July, I will sell at the plant, at 11 o'clock a. m., at public sale the entire plant of the Crescent Mfg. Co., Crescent, N. C., consisting of a 40 HP. Boiler, 40 HP. Engine, saw mill and all machinery to make first-class doors, sash and blinds, cut moulding of all descriptions, a lot of doors, sash, blinds, a lot of mouldings, 10,000 feet of 1-inch flooring, finished. Lot of rough lumber, also buildings and 1 1/2 acres of land, more or less. Terms of Sale: CASH. Crescent Mfg. Co., A. B. GOODMAN, Agent.

Sale of Residence Property on Newton Heights, Spencer, N. C. Under the provisions of a certain mortgage deed of trust made by J. W. Young and Ella K. Young to W. C. Maupin, trustee, on the 4th day of November, 1907, and recorded in book 31, page 564 of Rowan county record of Mortgages, and pursuant to a decree of the Superior court of Rowan county in the action entitled "North Main Street Realty Company vs. J. W. Young and others," default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage deed of trust, the undersigned trustee will expose at public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Salisbury, N. C., on Monday, July 6th, 1908, at 12 o'clock M., that certain real estate described as follows:

Re-Sale of the Chunn Lands in Franklin Township. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Rowan county in the special proceeding entitled "Sallie E. Chunn and others vs. T. E. Bingham and others" the undersigned Commissioner will expose at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in Salisbury, N. C., on Saturday, the 25th day of July, 1908, at 12 o'clock, m., the following described real estate in Franklin township and Rowan county to-wit:

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having this day qualified as Executor of the estate of Stephen Kirk, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of June, 1908, or this notice will be plead in bar of the same. All persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt settlement with the undersigned. This June 28th, 1908. LINDSAY McCARN, executor, 6t Spencer, N. C. Wright and Carlton, attorneys.

Notice of Service by Publication. State of North Carolina, In Superior Rowan county, court. Jos. H. McNeely, plaintiff, vs. Walter Geo. Newman defendant. NOTICE OF SUMMONS AND WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT. The defendant above named will take notice that a summons in the above entitled action was issued on the 23rd day of June, 1908, against said defendant by J. F. McCubbins, Clerk of the Superior court of Rowan county, and complaint filed claiming the sum of \$24.32 due said plaintiff by account and breach of contract, which summons is returnable to the August term of Rowan Superior court, at Salisbury, N. C., being August 31st, 1908. The defendant will also take notice that a warrant of attachment was issued by said J. F. McCubbins, Clerk of the Superior court of Rowan county against the property of the said defendant, to-wit:

One tract or parcel of land lying and being in Gold Hill township, Rowan county, bounded by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a stone, Mrs. J. L. Rothrock's corner, in the middle of the Main street; thence with said street, S. 45 degs. W. 4 poles and 19 links to a stone; thence S. 56 degs. E. 25 poles and 17 links to a stone, Mrs. D. McCarnes' line; thence N. 5 poles and 12 links to a stone, Mrs. J. L. Rothrock's corner; thence N. 56 degs. W. 19 poles and 8 links to the beginning, which warrant of attachment is returnable before the Judge of Superior court of Rowan county in Salisbury, N. C., on the 31st day of August, 1908, being the time and place for the return of the summons, when and where the defendant is required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint, or the relief demanded will be granted. J. P. McCUBBINS, Clerk Superior court. 6-3-4 C. J. HARRIS, trustee. John J. Stewart, attorney. 6-3-4