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## STATESVILLE AND IREDELL COUNTY.

### She Married the Other Fellow. Gives Up Farm to Enter the Ministry.

Statesville Landmark, Dec. 16th.

O. B. Webb, formerly of Statesville, now of Salisbury, is billed to speak at a rally of the Junior Order at Troutman January 6th. Mr. Webb was formerly State councillor of the order.

L. C. Caldwell went to Greensboro yesterday to assist in the prosecution of Baxter Shemwell, on behalf of the Southern railway. Shemwell is under indictment for an assault on a Southern railway conductor, the trouble growing out of the refusal of the conductor to stop his train at Lexington for Shemwell to get off.

Today Mr. Deaton is acting as auctioneer at a public sale at the home of J. Robert Davis, near Shilohville. Mr. Davis, who is a farmer about 85 years old and has a family, says he has been called to preach the gospel and in obedience to the wishes of the Lord he will give up his farming operations and will enter school to study for the ministry of the Methodist church. At the sale today he will sell his farming implements, stock, etc. It is understood that he will not sell his farm, but will rent it.

A. H. Gilmore, until recently editor of the Mascot, announces that he will begin the publication of a weekly paper, the first issue to appear next Friday. Temporarily the paper will be known as the Farmers' Friend. A prize is offered for the suggestion of the most appropriate name.

After an illness of three weeks of typhoid fever, Jacob Bostian died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 at his home near Bostian's bridge, two miles west of town, aged 27 years. He is survived by a sister and brother—Miss Lilly Bostian and J. H. Bostian. He was a son of the late Jacob Bostian and both his parents died some years ago.

A paragraph on the second page of The Landmark tells of the marriage at Wilson last Thursday, of Miss Nan Branch and Fred Carr, the latter secretary to Senator Overman and thereby hangs a tale. Miss Branch was engaged to a Yorker, Nicholas F. Alston, and they were to be married on the 22d. Mr. Alston was his on way to Wilson to visit his intended when, on his arrival in Richmond, he received a telegram telling him of the marriage of Miss Branch. Thereupon he returned to New York.

### Mr. Shemwell not There.

A Greensboro dispatch stated that Baxter Shemwell was not on hand, when the case against him was called in the Guilford Superior court last week, and adds:

His bond of \$1,000 was forfeited and a capias issued for his arrest. Judge Jones instructed the sheriff to require a justified bond in the sum of \$500 in each of the three cases against him.

Col. J. A. Barringer stated to the court that he learned Monday night that Mr. Shemwell was in Hot Springs, Ark., having suffered an attack of rheumatism the past week. One of the attorneys for the railroad stated that he had information that Shemwell was in Salisbury on last Friday night and that he had learned from the authorities at Hot Springs that Shemwell had been there but could not be found. He said that it looked very much like Shemwell was defying the power of the court in leaving the State only a few days before the time set for his trial. He urged that the bond be increased. Solicitor Fuller also recommended that Shemwell's bond be made larger.

### This is Worth Reading.

Leo F. Zelinski, of 68 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y., "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at all drug stores. 25c.

## A FOUL CRIME.

### A Negro Makes Violent Assault Upon a Woman Living Near Whitney.

The little community of Pennington, on the branch road of the Yadkin leading to Whitney, was alarmed Tuesday afternoon about 1 o'clock by one of the most heinous crimes ever attempted in the county.

James R. Moss, for a long time postmaster at the place, a merchant and leading business man of the community, left his home a few minutes before one o'clock. Mrs. Moss was sitting by the window, looking upon the railroad, sewing. She observed a negro man lounging suspiciously around the culvert nearby, and noted that he made frequent glances toward her window. She locked the front door. The negro a few minutes later came to the door and gave it several vigorous shakes. He then went to the rear door and was trying to get in, when George Lefler, a white man who worked upon the place, was attracted by the negro's actions, and tried to prevent him from entering. The negro is a big, brutish fellow, and the fight was an uneven one. He bit Mr. Lefler's hands severely and otherwise injured him. Breaking loose from Mr. Lefler, the negro broke a window and bolted through. Mrs. Moss was at the phone endeavoring to give the alarm, when she was grabbed by the brute.

The timely arrival of Mr. Moss prevented any serious bodily injury to Mrs. Moss. The negro attempted to run, but in his effort to jump through a window fell upon the bed. He was caught by Mr. Moss, who with the help of others who had by this time come upon the scene dragged the fellow out into the hall. Mr. Moss got his gun and would have shot the fellow; but was prevented by those present from doing this, but during the skirmish succeeded in using his gun as a club and gave the fellow some heavy blows upon the head. It was thought at that the negro could not live long. A wound back of the head seems to be the most serious. While we can get no definite statement as to the extent of injuries, it seems to be a prevalent opinion that the negro will recover.

Five or more than fifteen years in the State prison is the punishment under conviction for this crime. While excitement and indignation run high, sober thought seems to prevail, and there is no indication of a lynching.

The negro gave his name as Henry Young, saying that he lived at Norwood. He was evidently crazed with cocaine or other dope, though he had presence of mind about him to protect himself and try to escape. His language was vile, and his actions those of a demon.

Mrs. Moss is in a precarious condition. The shock was a terrible strain upon her, and a phone message from Mr. Moss yesterday morning indicates that he entertains grave fears as to her condition. Her two little children were the only ones present with Mrs. Moss when the trouble started.

The negro is now in jail, and has been given all medical attention necessary.

Coughs that are tight, or distressing tickling coughs, get quick and certain help from Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy. On this account Druggists everywhere are favoring Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy. And it is entirely free from Opium, Chloroform, or any other stupefying drug. The tender leaves of a harmless lung-healing mountainous shrub give to Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy its curative properties. Those leaves have the power to calm the most distressing Cough, and to soothe and heal the most sensitive bronchial membrane. Mothers should, for safety's sake alone, always demand Dr. Shoop's. It can with perfect freedom be given to even the youngest babes. Test it once yourself and see! Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

## ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

### Lots of Christmas Liqueur. Farmer Goes to College to Prepare for the Ministry.

Stanly Enterprise, Dec. 17th.

Judging the receipts at the express office there will be a plenty of liquid fire for Christmas celebration.

O. E. Miller, of Salisbury, is here preparatory to conducting a sale of the J. S. Efrid property in West Albemarle. There will be 75 lots or more to be sold on December 28. Four balloons will be sent up during this sale, one lot to be given away free. Mr. Miller is an expert in this line.

Rufus F. Honeycutt is in Durham this week, to secure a home for himself and family. He will enter Trinity College to complete his education for the ministry. He will retain his property interests here, Marion Morrison having rented his home place. Mr. Honeycutt has been impressed or sometimes that he is called to preach the gospel, and those who know him best feel assured that the ministry will be strengthened by his work and success will attend his efforts. His many friends extend best wishes.

The Normal school closes this week to take a vacation of six weeks. This is made necessary on account of the overwork that has fallen upon Misses Northrup and Hutchinson, who will spend the time in rest and recuperation.

There is too much shooting on the outskirts of town during the hours of night. It is a matter of danger, annoyance and disturbance to our citizens and many of the ladies are frightened each night that it is carried on. The town and county authorities should keep a strict guard and punish such thoughtless offenders.

On last Sunday morning the Presbyterian church of Albemarle issued a call for the pastoral services of Rev. George H. Atkinson as successor of Rev. George W. Belk. We learn that the Norwood church will also unite in this call. Mr. Atkinson is one of best known and most popular young ministers in the State, and already has a host of friends in Albemarle.

### The Spirit of Christmas.

It is well to catch the spirit of Christmas, the spirit of peace and good will. Feasting and gifts are its natural expressions. Hospitality and good cheer are its background. Faith is stronger and hope is brighter and love is greater for the Christmas season, and by the inspiration of spirit of the holiday, we get a brilliant glimpse of a transfigured humanity, a social survey momentary, elusive, evanescent, yet rich in the promise of a better day, a vision which cannot be materialized in tabernacles, but which may be enshrined in human aspiration and in social ideals, abiding not as a crystallized institution, but as a living inspiration.—Edward T. Davine in *Charities and the Commons*.

### An Editor's Love Letter.

"Dear darling delinquent! Our precious subscriber in arrears! You are so shy! Do you think we have sold out and gone? No, little sugar plum, we could not get away if we wanted to. We are still at the old stand dishing out the news on sweet promises and bright expectations. They make an excellent diet, darling, with a little pudding flavored with a word of encouragement to serve as a desert. We are waiting and watching for thee, darling, our turtle dove. We long hear thy gentle footstep on the stairway below and hear the ring of the happy dollars within our office. Dear one, we feel unusually sad and lonely without you, dear. Now, little pie crust, will you, will you come? Do we hear you answer in a voice so sweet and beguiling, 'I am coming,' or is it only the winds that around our office roar? We pause for further development."

## AMONG OUR ADVERTISERS.

### Places Where Old Santa Has Made Headquarters. Big Stocks, Fresh Goods and Great Variety. Something for Everybody.

Just at this time THE WATCHMAN has quite an extended line of advertising, and is printing an extra amount of advertising matter, part of which is quite appropriate for the season. In doing this we hope to meet the approval of our readers. This is the time for Christmas reading and there is no other apology offered for it. It is also the time for Christmas buying, Christmas gifts and Christmas joys, home-coming and sending of little tokens of friendship and love to those who are absent. Old man Santa Claus has taken complete charge of those matters and whatsoever he says, goes. He has kept the yearly record of all the good and bad children, also the grown-ups, and will make his awards of gifts and joys accordingly. He has established headquarters in Salisbury for a short time and is now engaged in selecting appropriate gifts for each and attaching the name thereto. The things he will present this year are so numerous and so varied that it is quite beyond the ability of man to enumerate them. Old Santa has arranged with some of our merchants to help him out this year and below we give a list of these favored merchants, refer you to their advertisements in this paper and assure you all that they will deal with callers as fairly, liberally and graciously as if it was the very old Santa himself:

Hartline & Co., dealers in harness, blankets, horse furnishings, whips, etc., and does repairing of all kinds. Ad. on page 8.

McCubbin & Harrison Co., dealers in real estate, makes loans, makes investments, pays six per cent on money borrowed with them and writes insurance. Ad. on page 8.

First National Bank, a safe and reliable institution doing a general banking business. One of the best in the State. Ad. on page 8.

The Bell Shoe Store & Co., dealers in shoes of all kinds. How many would like a pair shoes for Christmas? Ad. on page 8.

Hancock Bros & Co., manufacturers of Chip Tobacco and other excellent brands. Try some of it. Ad. on page 8.

J. O. White & Co., dealers in and builders of carriages and repairers thereof. Good workmen reasonable prices. Ad. on page 8.

Geo. W. Wright, the furniture dealer, has a stock to suit the pocket book and tastes of all. A walk through his place will be helpful. Ad. on page 8.

V. Wallace and sons, the great clothing dealers and men's furnishings, have a stock hard to beat anywhere in the State. If it is clothing or furnishings you want they can suit you both in price and quality. They do a big wholesale business also and have attractions for the dealer as well as the consumer. See ad. on page 2.

On page 8 we have the following enterprising dealers: S. M. Parcell, drugs, toilet articles, tobacco, cigars, etc.

Dave Oestreicher, special bargains in ladies' cloaks and coat suits.

W. B. Summersett, dealer in furniture and home furnishings. He has a splendid line and will take pleasure in showing it to you. It needs to be seen to be appreciated.

B. P. Jarrett, wants to give you a nice selection of songs and music. He deals in high grade pianos and organs.

Green's Jewelry Store is the place where the diamonds sparkle and bonds of love are held together with bands of pure gold and implements of sterling silver. Yes you will be caught there.

Theo. Buerbaum's place has always been one of old Santa's favorite haunts. We sometimes wonder if he doesn't stay there all the

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## CONCORD AND CABARRUS COUNTY.

### Farmers Leave for Texas. Little Child Burned so Badly That Death Results.

Concord Times, Dec. 14th.

Marriage licenses were issued last week to James Osborne and Miss Laura Drake, of Kannapolis, and to Charlie Dry and Miss Maudie Fink.

Dr. D. D. Johnson will leave tomorrow or next day for his new home near Culpeper, Va. His family will follow next Monday. His daughter, Miss Adele, will arrive here from Lander College Friday.

Two families from No. 10 township will leave tomorrow for Texas, where they will engage in farming. They are those of G. W. Plummer and Murry Hegler. They will settle at Knox, Monday county, in Northwest Texas.

A child of Ernest Bost, of Stanly Creek, was burned so badly last week that death resulted. It was a grand child of Anthony Bost, who attended the funeral.

Mrs. Mary Craven, the aged mother of K. L. Craven, died quite suddenly at the latter's home on West Depot Street last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. She was in her usual health until Sunday morning, when she complained of not feeling well. She arose from her bed about ten minutes before her death, and in a few moments afterwards passed away as peacefully as a child falling asleep.

"This morning's Charlotte Observer has the following: 'Will Graham, the rapist, will be brought here from Raleigh on Thursday night, December 17, and his execution will take place between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. on Friday,' says the Concord Times; and if what is heard over here is true the people over there will not be very proud of the hanging."

While it cannot be said that our people, who are humanitarian, will be "proud" to see any one put to death, all who know the facts in the case are uniformly of the opinion that if ever a case of capital punishment was justified, this one most certainly is. There are many in our midst who thought and still think that the negro should never have been given even the benefit of a trial, and the evidence in the case was such as to secure his conviction promptly and with not a question as to his guilt. The Observer's comment is very unfortunate, and no doubt some idle negro rumors, to which nobody here paid any attention, has reached that paper's ears.

### To Make War on Pellagra

The maine hospital service will make a determined effort to stamp out the new and dreadful disease which is playing havoc in certain sections of the South and which is Pellagra appears to resemble leprosy in some respects, but ends in permanent insanity. It is said to have been imported from Italy, but seems to be induced by eating meal made from smutty corn. Assistant Surgeon Lavinder of the hospital service made a trip through the South this year and examined a number of cases, especially in South Carolina, where the epidemic is at its worst. In the Mount Vernon Insane Asylum in 1907 there were 88 cases, 57 of which ended fatally. An effort will be made at the coming session to persuade Congress to appropriate sufficient funds to enable the marine service to institute a vigorous campaign against the disease, and it is hoped that it can be stamped out before it attains the frightful proportions it has reached in foreign countries, especially in Italy and Rumania.—Washington dispatch.

Preventives, the new Candy Cold Cure Tablets, are said by druggists to have four special specific advantages over all other remedies for a cold. First—They contain no quinine, nothing harsh or sickening. Second—They give almost instant relief. Third—They cleanse the taste, like candy. Fourth—A large box—48 Preventives—at 25c. Also fine for feverish children. Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

## THE HOTTEST EVER.

### The New York World Comes Back at Mr. Roosevelt in Fine Style.

The following from the New York World is about the warmest piece of stuff in its line, which has appeared in print in a long time: "It is true that The World printed the public reports concerning the Panama canal affair which resulted from William Nelson Cromwell's appeal to the district attorney's office during the recent campaign to prevent the publication of a story which was said to be in the hands of the Democratic national committee. It was Mr. Cromwell's own action which raised the issue in the campaign. "It is true also that when Mr. Roosevelt made his attack upon Delavan Smith, The World called attention to certain statements which Mr. Roosevelt must have known to be false or misleading and appealed to Congress to end all scandal by a full and impartial investigation. If this be treason, let Mr. Roosevelt make the most of it.

"Mr. Roosevelt's lamentable habit of inaccurate statements makes it impossible to accept either his judgments or his conclusions. In his message he does not state correctly even so simple a matter as the pretended causes of his grievance. The World has never that said that Charles P. Taft, or Douglas Robinson made any profits whatever. Mr. Taft denied that he was concerned in transaction in any way, which the denial The World published and accepted. It would have been equally glad to print Mr. Robinson's denial could it have succeeded in obtaining one from him, as it frequently attempted. The World has no evidence that he was associated with Mr. Cromwell, and would accept his word to that effect; for Mr. Robinson is an estimable gentleman of high character, whose reputation for veracity is infinitely better than that of his distinguished brother-in-law.

"If The World has libeled anybody we hope it will be punished, but we do not intend to be intimidated by Mr. Roosevelt's threats or by Mr. Roosevelt's denunciations, or by Mr. Roosevelt's power.

"No other living man ever so grossly libeled the United States as does this President who besmirches Congress, bulldozes judges, assails the integrity of the courts, slanders private citizens, and who has shown himself the most reckless, unscrupulous demagogue whom the American people ever trusted with great power and authority.

"We say this not in anger but in sincere sorrow. The World has immeasurably more respect for the office of President of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt has ever shown during the years in which he has maintained a reign of terror and vilified the honor and honesty of both public officials and private citizens who oppose his policies or thwarted him in his purposes.

"So far as The World is concerned its proprietor may go to jail, if Mr. Roosevelt succeeds, as he threatens but even in jail The World will not cease to be a fearless champion of free speech, a free press and a free people."

### Who Was the Loser?

"Speaking of licenses," said a magistrate from the county, as he finished a negotiation with the register of deeds, "reminds me of a fellow, a soldier, a soldier in the standing army of the United States, who got license in my section several months ago. When he arrived at the home of the minister with the young lady, he found he had lost the necessary papers. He asked the minister to marry them anyway, but he declined to take the risk. The couple then drove away, the girl returned home and they never married at all, the groom refusing to secure another license."—Charlotte Observer.

## LEXINGTON AND DAVIDSON COUNTY.

### More Fine Hogs. A Mysterious Disease Killing Good Horses.

Lexington Dispatch, Dec. 16th.

The public building matter is still the bone of contention. The down town folks think they have got everything "cinched," and the up town people think that the matter will be opened and re-investigated, and that they will eventually win out. Capt. S. H. Williams and Messrs. Wade H. Phillips and T. E. McCrary have been to Washington during the week, and they have seen the powers that be. What will result is not known now. Some strong wires are being pulled both from the up town sites and the down town sites.

Solomon Long, of Lexington No. 1, was here yesterday, and told The Dispatch that among other big hog killings in this section, Alex. Zimmerman butchered one that weighed 700 pounds, and Emmit Hedrick killed another which made the scales indicate 714. A. L. Clodfelter had a very nice one that fetched 449 on the scales.

A case that attracted some attention last week was one by George Mize against Thos. Crotts, and arose from a misunderstanding in business matters. Mr. Crotts had been cutting timber on the land of Mr. Mize and they differed slightly as to the money due. Saturday when the case came up before Squire Moyer, the prosecution withdrew the warrant, paid the costs and stopped the litigation, it having been shown that the trouble was purely a misunderstanding.

A farmer from the Arcadia section says that the horses there have been attacked by some mysterious ailment and are dying. Messrs. Hege and Robert Scott have lost valuable animals. Our informant did not know what the disease is called.

Sid Weaver, on two and one-half acres of land, raised 105 bushels of peanuts, which he is selling for \$1 per bushel, and has about sold the crop. On two acres of land he produced \$40 worth of cotton, and therefore concludes that raising peanuts is better than making cotton.

The name of the new cotton mill is the "Decotah," and the stock has been subscribed down to \$2,000. This week the organization will take place. The site has not been selected, and it is still debated whether it will be above town, near the Nokomis, or down below town on the Vie Humphrey place. Much interest attaches to the location of the mill, almost as much as has been stirred by the public building; and there are about as many who want the mill above town as there are who wish it located below. However, just so it is placed in the town, it doesn't make a great deal of difference.

### Talk of a New County.

Talk of a new county to be composed of townships from Cabarrus and Stanly seems to disturb the minds of certain guardians of the Republican party. But they ought not to care, since the proposed change would give Republicans almost complete control of the little corner. But there are some who freely predict that even a new county would not want to stand Republicanism longer than two years on a stretch, and, without Big Lick, Almond and Furr, the Old Party in Stanly would be a lame stick upon which to lean. However, the reasons for creating a new county have a far greater significance than political ends, and we are not wondering that citizens of townships concerned are interesting themselves in the matter, regardless of party.—Stanly Enterprise.

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