

To the People.

We wish weekly information from every section of Western North Carolina and East Tennessee, of any or all manufacturing or mining enterprises established, or improvements to those existing, improvements in agriculture, especially results of new experiments in agriculture in this section, of schools, churches, Alliance and other orders or associations for the good and up-building of the people. Send us short, plain statements, as often as may be. THE DEMOCRAT desires to be the medium of announcing to the world the improvements in the social and material development of this section.

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We send this issue of THE DEMOCRAT to a number of persons whose names have not been entered upon our books as regular subscribers. Those who desire it continued to be sent them, are requested to notify us AT ONCE in person, or by postal note. We trust every person who sees it will subscribe. We want ten thousand subscribers by January next, and ought to have them. Cash in advance for all subscriptions. FURMAN & YANCEY, Publishers.

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We want names of friends, or others, especially in the North and Northwest, to whom to send specimen copies of THE ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT. Parties wishing information of this section should receive THE DEMOCRAT. Let us have them.

TEN THOUSAND BY JANUARY.

We want ten thousand subscribers to THE ASHEVILLE DEMOCRAT by January next. Let us have them. Call on us or send your names, with the cash.

ARMOUR & CO. IN ASHEVILLE.

A Lick at Home Producers.

The Armour Packing Co., of Chicago, the great meat king of the country, have leased a house on South Main street, and propose opening at once a meat supply market for this city and section.

They propose to supply fresh meats, canned meats, etc., to the local trade.

Armour & Co. have done more to reduce the price of beef and pork products than any concern in the United States; by their methods they have forced the price of cattle down to unprofitable rates, so they could control the markets of the country and command the market for the sale of cattle.

If farmers in a section would not conform to their terms, they put up stores, pens, and everything requisite to a butchering house and undersell them, so that producers and dealers must either make terms with them or go out of business. Armour has all the money he wants for all the stores he establishes.

Our farmers, unless they work through the Alliance, have no help. Will the Alliance control this market? Will our people stand by home trade, paying home farmers a fair price for their cattle, ask the people dependent upon them for all their prosperity to stand by their efforts to sustain a home market? THE DEMOCRAT will see. If the farmers of this section cannot stand by each other; if the business men of Asheville who are dependent upon the farmers of this section will not stand by our farmers, then let the Armour Company in, and let them take all the trade. But let us hear of no complaint. To complain will not be honest.

How Col Lusk Feels and What He Prophecies.

Col. Virgil S. Lusk, ex-district attorney of the western district of this State, is here. He is kicking clear over his shoulders. He says that President Harrison and his cabinet and his extra advisers and his kitchen cabinet could not have more effectually ruined the Republican party if they had really intended to accomplish that object when they took office. He is greatly outraged at the appointment of Hon. Charles Price as district attorney. He has no hopes of carrying the ninth congressional district next year. He has no doubt but that Mr. Ewart or any other Republican nominee will be beaten by three thousand majority.—Winston Republican.

The Manufacturers Record has the following: North Carolina—Lands.—Jesse Beam, of Johnson City, Tenn., and others have purchased a large tract of mineral and timber land located near the headwaters of the Yadkin and John's rivers for \$15,000.

Winston—Tobacco Factories.—It is reported that a New York syndicate is negotiating for the purchase of five of the largest tobacco factories of Winston.

Old Fort—Saw Mill.—Edward McDowell has located a large portable saw mill.

Sailsbury—Cotton Mills.—The Sailsbury Cotton Mills, lately mentioned as putting in new machinery, will add 3,000 more spindles. Capital stock has been increased to \$135,000.

Rev. R. G. Pearson, the noted evangelist, is now conducting a series of meetings in Charleston, S. C. His meetings are being held at the Citadel Square Baptist Church. He has made engagements for the next twelve months in Southern cities, and after that he will visit Europe and Asia Minor, accompanied by Mrs. Pearson. On February 1 Mr. Pearson will begin a series of meetings in Baltimore.

In Washington and other Northwest States the recent storm was most destructive to people and stock. Ranchmen report that at least one-half of their stock died of starvation and thirst, the snow being from two to ten feet deep.

Grand Lodge of Masons, Thursday

A. H. A. Williams, from the committee on so much of Grand Master's address as relates to District Deputy Grand Masters, made a second report recommending as follows:

1st, That the Grand Master appoint one Grand Lecturer who shall have charge of the work and who, together with the Grand Master, shall be custodian of the work.

2d, That the Grand Master shall appoint as many assistant Grand Lecturers as the necessity of the jurisdiction as such upon the certificate of proficiency made by the Grand Lecturer.

3d, That it shall be the special duty of the Grand Lecturer to confer with the Assistant Grand Lecturer and instruct them if necessary, in order that the work may be uniform in all the Lodges in this jurisdiction.

4th, The expenses and proper compensation of the Grand Lecturers shall be defrayed by the subordinate lodges asking their services.

5th, That all the subordinate lodges should ask the services of one of the Grand Lecturers during each masonic year.

F. M. Moye presented a resolution providing for the appointment of a Grand Orator, for each Annual Communication. The resolution was adopted and Grand Master Smith appointed W. A. Blair as the Grand Orator for the next Annual communication.

Committees were announced as follows, to serve at the next annual communication and during the present year; On Jurisprudence—F. H. Busbee, Eugene Grissom, T. S. Kenan, Robert Bingham, S. H. Roundtree. On Propositions and Grievances—W. H. McLauren, W. T. Caho. W. E. Murchison. On Foreign Correspondence—Eugene S. Martin, D. W. Bain and W. S. Creasy. On Orphan Asylum—J. W. Hays, S. L. Alderman, M. L. Winston, W. H. Mitchell, R. T. Stephenson. On Printing—W. E. Anderson, D. W. Bain and F. L. Reid. On Credentials—R. A. Draughton, J. R. Brown and A. L. Blow.—News-Observer.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Raleigh all the old officers were re-elected, as follows: Samuel H. Smith, of Winston, Grand Master; H. A. Gudger, Deputy Grand Master; John W. Cotton, Senior Grand Warden; F. M. Moye, Junior Grand Warden; W. E. Anderson, Grand Treasurer; D. W. Bain, Grand Secretary.

Mica Before Congress.

Col. James M. Gere, of Syracuse, N. Y., talked to the tariff committee about mica. Three-fourths of the mica used here was produced in the North Carolina mines, he said. Mica began to be imported from India in 1882, and the amount brought in had steadily increased, resulting in a very heavy decrease of the American production. It was wholly a product of labor, and could be laid down in New York from Calcutta at less cost than from the North Carolina mines. The price had been reduced fully 40 per cent since 1882.

The North Carolina and New Hampshire people could not compete with the India laborers, and they asked for a specific duty of 50 cents a pound on all mica and mica waste. A ton of mica as it came from the mine, might be worth \$10 or \$2,000, and it was difficult for an expert to estimate the value within 1,000 per cent. It was sold all the way from 30 cents to \$5 a pound. Mica of the sizes used in stoves sold for from 30 cents to about \$3 50 a pound.

Col. Gere paid for mica in North Carolina an average of perhaps \$1,000 a ton. He showed a parcel of mica cut ready to go in a stove, and Mr. McMillen figured out that the duty he asked on it was about 65 per cent. He never knew of better or larger mica than was found in New Hampshire and North Carolina, and there was an abundant supply for all our needs.

A Farmers' and Merchants' Bank for Asheville.

Over a half million dollars in cash have been paid out to the farmers of this and surrounding counties this season for tobacco. This amount will be largely exceeded before the season is over. One of the best uses our farmers can put a portion of this money to is the establishment of a bank in Asheville. The banking capital of Asheville is not up to the needs of the city and section, and development of new industries will be rapidly increased were money more plentiful and easier to command. Another bank with a quarter million of dollars all paid-up capital, would not only make good interest for its stockholders, but be of great advantage to all interests in our city and section. Our present three banks are not only doing well, but doing all they can with the money at their command to foster and encourage the city's growth; but more money is needed, and needed right now, and THE DEMOCRAT can see no better opportunity for our farmers who have cash on hand to use it well, than by the establishment of a Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, with at least a quarter million paid-up capital. What say our farmer friends?

Black measles in an epidemic and aggravated form is raging in Fordville, Ky.

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STATE NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Gov. Fowle has appointed Hon. Thos. Brown Womack of Chatham county to succeed Judge Gilmer, resigned, as Superior court judge.

Married, at Marshall, N. C., Jan. 1st, '90, Miss Belle Campbell and Mr. Frank Lawson. The happy couple will please accept our congratulations.

New pupils are entering Weaverville College since the holidays. There are hundreds of young men and young ladies throughout Western N. C., who should be in this most excellent school.—Asheville Methodist.

At the late communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons Dr. Eugene Grissom was appointed and installed Grand Lecturer and Grand Custodian of the work in North Carolina. All of the Assistant Grand Lecturers are requested to report to him for examination, so as to make the work uniform throughout the jurisdiction.

Rutherford county Alliance met last week at Sunshine, N. C., with over a hundred delegates in attendance, and adopted a resolution to make all their guano notes payable the first of January, and thereby enable the farmer to hold his cotton for better prices. The Alliance is strong in that county, and this new departure will make it stronger.

The negro exodus now about amounts to a stampede. They all seem to want to go, but one half of them don't know where. A night or two ago a train load of over five hundred from Edgecombe passed through, bound for Louisiana. Day before yesterday nine other car-loads went through. Others are expected to start in a day or two.—News-Observer.

Information reached here last week of the sad death of Zeb Vance Westall, a nephew of Maj. T. C. Westall, of this city. He was in the mountains in McDowell county, on Armstrong creek, aiding in getting out some timber on Thursday. A large branch of a tree fell on him from some fifty feet above, and killed him instantly. He leaves a wife and child.

The Davidson, N. C., Dispatch does not believe it right to muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. The farmer, it declares, ought to be heard in the councils of the party with which he votes; and if he has the true idea of citizenship, he will make himself heard. The farmer has just as much right as anybody to have his say in politics.

There is universal regret all over the State that Judge Gilmer felt impelled to resign his position on our Superior Court bench, a place he has only occupied to adorn and to dignify. In the selection of Mr. Thomas B. Womack, of Chatham, to succeed Judge Gilmer, Gov. Fowle acted with more than his usual discrimination. Judge Womack will wear the ermine with ability and fidelity.

Dr. J. J. Mott has secured an English dairyman and put him in charge of his herd of fine cattle. He has about 56 head, counting calves, the majority full-blood Jerseys and the balance more than half. Dr. Mott ships the butter from his cows to Columbia, S. C., and feeds the buttermilk to his hogs. His herd is perhaps unequalled in the State.—Statesville Landmark.

The Commissioner of Agriculture says that he has never seen farm work so far advanced at this time of the year. A greater quantity of clover, grasses and grain have been planted than usual.—Gov. Fowle has offered rewards for Albert Cambell, William Harrell and David Harrell who murdered M. C. Cox, in Mitchell county. Two hundred dollars is offered for each one or six hundred dollars for all three.—State Chronicle.

Col. Polk has appointed D. H. Rittenhouse as his Private Secretary. Referring to Mr. R., the Raleigh Call says: "Mr. R. is a native of Halifax county, is a prominent and enthusiastic Alliance man and is a ready and lucid writer. He is a walking encyclopedia of facts, statistics and general information of the condition of the country, and treats on all subjects concerning it with ease and interesting clearness. He is widely known as 'Old Fogey.'—State Chronicle.

Wyatt McKenzie, a notorious outlaw, has again appeared in North Carolina. He is said to be hiding in Rockingham county, heavily armed and swearing vengeance against a number of citizens. Mr. Kenzie is banded with him six other desperate men, who announce that they are ready for any sort of fray. Some years ago McKenzie murdered a man in Rockingham county and was sentenced to death. Four days before the time set for his execution he broke jail at Wentworth and escaped. In about two weeks he was recaptured and again lodged in jail. The governor appointed another day for his execution, but again he broke jail and escaped. Nothing more was heard from him until Sunday, when he was seen with his band of six men in the upper part of Rockingham county. He inquired the whereabouts of six men whom he swore he intended to kill on sight.

Gov. Lee, in his recent speech at Clinton, N. C., in referring to the mineral resources of North Carolina said that he understood that there was too much sulphur in the iron. God gave North Carolinians their sulphur in this world, some people would get theirs hereafter.

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Proposals will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, January 21, 1890, for grading, masonry, trestle work and bridges, also cross ties for the first 30 miles of the French Broad Valley Railroad. Rights reserved to reject any and all bids. Address all communications to C. G. Dyott, President and General Manager, 52 Wall Street, New York, or to H. M. RAMSDEUR, Chief Engineer, Asheville, N. C.

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