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LOCAL DOTS.

of News Concerning Asheville and Vicinity Placed in Convenient Form for Busy Readers.

is said that Ex-Lieut. Gov. Stedman purchased 1,400 acres of swamp land Columbus county, at 50 cents per acre.

Mrs. Jackson Welch, of Swain county, the mother of 23 children, and is yet as sprightly as a girl. Her husband is quite feeble.

Social circles will be very lively this winter. There are nine marriages in prospect, with a great many others suffering serious attack.

Col. A. B. Andrews, of the R. & D. railroad company, will come to Asheville in a few days to arrange an excursion to Asheville from all points.

While other cities are having their "Welcome Weeks," in Asheville it is a welcome week all the year round. Visitors are coming in rapidly now.

The question of separate coaches on railroads in South Carolina for the races is again being agitated in that State, and the prospects are that system will be adopted.

The Asheville Gun Club opened the season at its grounds on Wednesday, and some excellent shots were made, as follows: A. H. Baird, 90; J. F. Graves, 87; B. W. Battle, 83; J. M. McCannless, 81.

Dr. Browning, of the Kenilworth Inn, says he is finding difficulty in placing the bride couples who want to spend their honeymoon with him, on account of the other applications for accommodations during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hamilton gave a progressive whist party to a few of their friends on Thursday evening, at the residence of Mrs. Boule, on Flint street. Miss Anna Gowan won the first prize, and Dr. Straw carried off the booby prize.

Judgments aggregating \$40,000, so a dispatch states, have been filed in Springfield, Ohio, against capitalists running an extensive lumber and furniture business in North Carolina. This must be the Asheville Furniture and Lumber Company.

What is the matter with our gas works? The quality of gas now served is worse than nothing for illuminating purposes. It takes a two hundred candle power electric light to find a gas light. You will have to make better gas gentlemen, or you will have opposition.

We have often heard of young men being so bow-legged that they would have to put a plank across their laps to prevent their best girl from falling through, but we were not aware until a few nights ago that Asheville could boast of three young men who could not even stop a cow in the street.

Messrs. Gib, Merrimon, Cam, Waddell, Jr., Wright Stedman, Mayor Blanton and Bey Jones, leading lights among our society young men, deny the soft impeachment that they are to be married during the next thirty days. The DEMOCRAT ventures to suggest that each is trying his best to "get there."

The Asheville Cigar Company have placed in Raysor & Smith's window a monstrous candle, which will burn the old year out and the new year in. Presents will be given to those guessing nearest the length of time the candle will burn. To secure a guess it is necessary to purchase 25 cents' worth of the company's cigars, which are for sale at all cigar dealers in the city.

THE DEMOCRAT objects to the trifling with many of its friends. The rumor that Mr. McKissick, the popular young assistant manager of the Battery Park, is contemplating matrimony has cast a gloom over our friend's life, made not only him miserable, but has given several young ladies an opportunity to grieve the young man most unmercifully. Please let up on him. He does not yet contemplate matrimony, because, —, because, —, well, a large number of young ladies will have to answer for this "because."

The uniforms of the Bingham school boys are conspicuous on our streets after school hours and on Saturdays. Their chief delight seems to be in ogling the young ladies of the Female College, who cast shy but admiring glances at the young men in uniform, which sends a thrill of ecstasy through the latter. By the way, did any one ever see a more unbecoming uniform on a young lady than that worn by the students of the Female College. A stranger must imagine, when he sees them out for exercise, that he has struck a funeral procession. Cannot a prettier costume be devised for the young lassies? THE DEMOCRAT thinks it could beat the present one itself.

New Goods, New Prices!

All our friends are invited to come and see us now and find out how low we are selling goods; and we can always offer some special bargain such as the following now on sale:

Tea Sets, 56 Pieces, \$3.85. Dinner Sets, 100 Pieces, \$9.90 and \$12.50.

You can leave out any piece of a set you do not want and reduce the price.

BOWLS AND PITCHERS 75c., \$1.00 & \$1.25. FINE GOODS.

We offer during the dull month of July the biggest bargain yet. Tripplé plate Silver Table Knives only \$1.50 for six. Good plate Silver Table Knives only 95c. for six. Teaspoons, Tablespoons and Forks in every grade away under regular price. We are known as headquarters for Glassware and House-furnishing Goods.

J. H. LAW,

SOUTH MAIN STREET, - - ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Possum suppers are now in order.

Game of all kinds is plentiful this year.

Business was generally suspended in Asheville Thanksgiving day.

Weather signs are now displayed at Grant's pharmacy, on South Main street.

The Asheville Lodge of the Ancient Order of Mistriarchs is flourishing. O. M. A.

The new Baptist cathedral will be a most imposing edifice. It will be one of the handsomest church buildings in the state.

The National Republican Convention will meet in Minneapolis on the 7th June next.

Mr. C. E. Graham has removed his family to Mr. W. A. Winburn's house on Prospect avenue.

The Citizen made a mistake—it is not "Colonel" Gotleft Martin, but Colonel "Gotthere" Martin.

Polk county court has been engaged all the week on a capital case, one burglary, and several assaults.

C. W. Gooklake has resigned from the Asheville police force, and will engage in business in Chattanooga.

Mr. A. M. Colvin, aged 62 years, died at the home of his son near Bingham School, on Monday, of pneumonia.

Frank O'Donnell returned to Asheville on Saturday, having been on a visit to the Emerald Isle since July last.

Mr. Reuben Rawls is having erected on College street a building to be used by a Philadelphia firm as a first-class bakery.

The many friends of Capt. O. W. Budd and wife are pleased to see them back in Asheville, they having been abroad.

Our merchants say that business is improving now rapidly, and they anticipate a large winter's trade. Everything points to rapidly improving times.

A terrific and damaging gale passed over Raleigh, Washington city and other eastern points on Monday, doing more or less damage to life and property.

Several of our country friends inform us that the county convict force is doing some excellent work on the road leading to Leicester. Let the good work be pushed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Murray have returned from the Augusta Exposition. They are greatly pleased with all they saw, though Mr. Murray said it was very cold while he was there.

About twenty members of Cyrene Commandery went to Knoxville Tuesday in acceptance of an invitation from the Masons of that city. They had a good time goes without saying. They carried their "goat" with them.

Some smart rascal has been "selling" the Raleigh people cigars made of cabbage leaves for fine Havanas. They ought to send up here and get their cigars from the Asheville Cigar Co. and they will always get straight goods.

Our friend Maj. N. B. Westall brought us some excellent specimens of very superior winter apples from his farm on Beaverdam; one the "Westall Seedling," the other the "Westall Excelsior." Maj. W. has been very successful with his fruit this season.

The case against the Asheville Milling Co. and the Hazel Green Milling Co. charging them with selling short weight, was tried before Justice Malone on Tuesday. The defendants were discharged on the ground that the charges against them were not sustained.

Messrs. Jenks and Jenks inform us they have gotten out about one hundred tons of elegant corundum at their mines at Hogback, Jackson county. This promises to develop into one of the best mines in the country. They hope to be shipping very soon, as they have orders for a very large quantity.

The Boston Home Journal, the leading society paper of the "Hub," after copying what Col. Alex. McClure said about the superior grandeur of the mountain scenery around Asheville, adds: "The Battery Park Hotel, under the management of Messrs. Steele and McKissick, is one of the best houses in the South."

Mr. L. B. Edwards, of Durham, has been secured to take the position of principal of the Orange street school, Mr. Mangum having resigned. Mr. Edwards has been a successful teacher in the Winston and Durham graded schools, and is highly recommended as an educator. He will begin his work on the 7th of January.

Drs. McGilvra and Straw successfully removed, on Sunday last, the left eye of Mrs. Thomas Davidson, of Coopers. About three weeks ago, while leading a horse, the animal stepped on a piece of wood, which flew up and struck Mrs. Davidson in the eye. She has suffered intensely ever since, and it was decided best to remove the eye.

The North Carolina Industrial Journal, published at Winston, N. C., by Messrs. Hart & Spencer, is a very excellent publication, devoted to the industrial resources and enterprises of our State. The enterprising publishers contemplate soon getting out an Asheville edition, with a good write-up of our enterprises, etc. We hope they will meet with every encouragement from our people.

Havana Tobacco Culture in Western Carolina.

We were informed a few days ago by Capt. W. B. Ferguson, of Waynesville, that two of Haywood's intelligent farmers, Messrs. Jones and Howell, have experimented the past year with Havana tobacco seeds, with most gratifying results, and they and others will go into the cultivation of that class of tobacco very extensively another year. For that produced the past season Mr. Jones received \$1.30 per pound, and experts who examined it in Raleigh, and cigars made from it, pronounce it equal to the best Cuban leaf. In view of this success steps are being taken in Waynesville to establish at that place a large cigar factory for the manufacture of this crop. If our friends can succeed in the production of this Cuban leaf it will prove one of the most important ventures yet entered upon in our section. We certainly wish them all success.

A Noted Character Gone.

William J. Florence, the noted actor, died in Philadelphia, of pneumonia, on Thursday.

Both Saint and Sinner.

It troubles the sinner and it troubles the saint. It's a troublesome, trying and nasty complaint. Don't think it incurable; I tell you it ain't. Excuse the grammar; it's the truth I'm after, whether grammatically or ungrammatically told. The truth is, that catarrh can be cured. The proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy offer \$500 for an incurable case of catarrh in the head.

THE SYMPTOMS OF CATARRH.—Head aching, obstruction of nose, discharges falling into the throat, sometimes profuse, watery and acrid; at others, thick, tenacious, mucous, purulent, bloody, putrid and offensive; eyes weak, ringing in the ears, deafness; offensive breath, smell and taste impaired, and general debility. Only a few of these symptoms likely to be present at once. Dr. Sage's Remedy cures the worst cases. Only 50 cents. Sold by druggists everywhere.

CUPID'S WORK.

THE LITTLE FELLOW PLAYS MAVOC HEREBABOUTS.

An Epidemic of Marriages and More To Follow.

CRAIG-BURGIN.

On Wednesday the 19th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, J. B. Burgin, Esq., in McDowell county, Rev. Mr. Monroe officiating, Mr. Locke Craig of Asheville and Miss Annie Burgin. No cards.

We sincerely congratulate both parties to this happy affair. Mr. Craig is not only a prominent attorney of this city, but a most popular member of society, while his young bride is of McDowell's most accomplished daughters. May they live long and prosper.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig returned to Asheville on Thursday morning and have gone to housekeeping in Mr. Craig's new house on Montford Avenue.

BLOOD-BROWN.

The palatial residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Evans Brown, "Zelandia," on the ridge east of town, was the scene of a pretty but quiet wedding on Wednesday afternoon; Miss Katie, daughter of the above, and Mr. Samuel M. Blood, being the contracting parties. Rev. McNeely Dubose, rector of Trinity church, tied the knot in the large drawing room. The handsomely furnished rooms were further beautified by stately palms, graceful ferns and lovely white carnations.

The bride entered the room escorted by her father, while the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march pealed forth. She appeared bewitchingly beautiful in an elegant white silk dress, trimmed with handsome maltese lace and pearls. A handsome diamond pendant, a present from the groom, secured the veil. Miss Maria T. Brown and Mr. W. Vance Brown were the attendants.

After congratulations by relatives and friends everybody repaired to the dining room, where a sumptuous collation was served.

Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Blood, parents of the groom, Miss Blood, Mr. and Mrs. Greene, Brooklyn; Mr. Maddux, Judge and Mrs. Chas. A. Moore, Mrs. Thayer and Miss Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lyman, Dr. and Mrs. John Hey Williams, Miss Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence F. McLoud, Mr. and Mrs. F. Rogers Grant, Mr. W. D. Hilliard, Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Mrs. Burgwyn Matland and the Misses Matland, Mr. and Mrs. John Child, Miss Stedman and Mr. Wright Stedman, Mr. Herbert Child, Mr. N. S. Rogers, Mr. Duff Merrick, Mr. Cushing, Dr. Chas. Jordan, and many others.

The presents were numerous and handsome.

The happy couple will make Brooklyn their future home.

THE DEMOCRAT adds its congratulations and best wishes to the many already received.

WALLACE-STRAUSS.

On last Sabbath the engagement of Mr. Julius Wallace, a prominent merchant of Asheville, and Miss Hannah, the beautiful daughter of our townsman, Mr. E. Strauss, of the European Hotel, was announced. The day for the marriage has not yet been fixed upon, but will be duly announced in the DEMOCRAT. Both parties to this happy affair are to be congratulated, and the wishes of very many friends go with them for a long life of happiness.

WALKER-JACKSON.

Invitations have been received by a number of Asheville people to the wedding of Miss Nellie Jackson and Mr.

Alten M. Walker, to take place in the Cumberland Presbyterian church, Louisiana, Mo., on Thanksgiving eve, Nov. 25th. Miss Jackson spent the past summer in Asheville at the Van Gilder house, and was quite a favorite. The DEMOCRAT, with her many friends here, wish her a pleasant journey on the sea of matrimony.

COXE-VANCE.

Cards are out announcing the marriage at Hotel Alexander at 3 p. m., Thursday, Dec. 3, of Miss Mary Laura, the accomplished daughter of Hon. Robert B. Vance and Mr. John J. Coxe.

ELSEWHERE.

Miss Lizzie Hobgood, daughter of Prof. F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford, and Mr. F. W. Hancock, of Newbern, were married on the 17th.

Married, at Tarboro, Miss Alice Williams to Mr. W. Dorsey Pender, of Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Howard M. Rose was married to Miss Esther V. Wry at Central M. E. church, Concord.

The Tale of a Cotton Tail.

One of our sporting men captured a rabbit alive the other day, and taking it home placed it in the bedroom of a young man who was boarding with him, saying nothing to the latter about it. The young man retired without noticing the rabbit, but was awakened during the night by a peculiar noise near the window, which he supposed was caused by some one attempting to break in. He was nearly scared out of his wits, however, when the rabbit jumped up on the bed, and he supposed his time had come, sure. He heroically made a grab for the object, and was much relieved to find it was only a rabbit. Poor bunny was cast out of the window, and gladly made for the woods.

Struck Down in the Street.

Mrs. B. J. Alexander, while passing in front of A. D. Cooper's grocery on Court Square Tuesday morning, was struck on the head by a piece of iron which blew off the roof, knocking her down and inflicting a severe scalp wound. She was carried into the store and Dr. Williams called in, who stitched up the wound. Afterwards she was taken to her home on Bailey street, where she died about 8:30 p. m.

A new tin roof is being put on the building occupied by Mr. Cooper, and the workmen had placed two iron rods on some tin to hold it down, but the high wind lifted the tin, throwing the rods into the street, one of which struck Mrs. Alexander.

Tobacco Sales.

The sales are increasing heavily at all the warehouses, but consists entirely of common goods, no brights or better goods being offered.

Prices ranged from 5 to 36, the averages being about 12½ cents. These are extraordinary prices, but our warehousemen think that breaks and prices will continue to go up.

"When in the dark on thy soft hand I hung, And heard the tempting siren of thy tongue—What flames—what darts—what anguish I endured."

Such complexions as so many of our young ladies possess—dull, pimply, and covered with sores and blackheads, is enough to cool the ardor of the warmest lover. To such young ladies we would say, that you can never have a soft, fair, smooth, attractive kissable complexion unless your blood is healthy and pure, for the condition of the blood decides the complexion. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will purify your blood, tone up your system, and drive away those distressing headaches and backache, from which you suffer periodically, and give you a complexion a lily or rose-leaved might envy.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The Doings of Ashevilleians and Visitors to Our City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Glover have gone on a visit to Boston.

Mr. J. Y. Jordan has been on a business trip to Raleigh this week.

It is rumored that Mr. Otis Coxe has finally made up his mind to get married.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Porter gave a bird supper to a few of their friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. S. R. Kepler, who has been making an extended visit in Virginia, has returned home.

Mr. J. Y. Jordan returned on Thursday from a business trip in the central part of the State.

Mr. Weldon Williamson, a brother of W. B. Williamson, is expected home in a few days from Central America.

R. G. Trezevant has gone to Savannah, Ga., where he has secured a position under Capt. McBee, of the Georgia Central.

Governor and Mrs. Stedman and Miss Stedman have returned from a visit to their many friends at their old home in Wilmington.

Senator Vance is en route home, and expects to reach Washington next week. He and Mrs. Vance are enjoying excellent health.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke, of Washington, D. C., are spending their honeymoon in Asheville. They are stopping at R. B. Porter's, on Flint street.

Dr. McGilvra has moved his family from Richmond to Asheville. They are occupying the new house on the corner of Chestnut and Charlotte streets.

Mr. Chas. N. Vance was in the city on Tuesday. He has been spending some time with Mrs. Vance, at Blackburn. Both return to Washington next week.

THE DEMOCRAT appears with a new heading this week, which we consider neater looking than the old one. Other improvements will be made from time to time, and we hope to greatly improve with age.

Mr. Weston R. Gales, the brilliant son of our old friend, the late Seaton Gales, of Raleigh, has been in the city the past week conducting a series of meetings in the interest of the Y. M. C. A. at the Association rooms. He is assistant secretary of the State Association.

Mr. J. W. Williams, son of our old friend Jesse Williams, of Fairview township, who left Buncombe about sixteen years ago, and located in Indiana, reached home last week on his first visit to his people since leaving. He has prospered in his new home, which we are glad to note.

Jackson County.

We had the pleasure of a call Tuesday from Mr. Thos. Harris, manager of the Dillsboro Clay Works. He informed us that the freshest a few days ago in the Tuckasee river carried down to the mills of Messrs. Cummings and Buffham, at that place, nearly or quite 10,000 logs, and these energetic gentlemen are correspondingly delighted. They are pushing their lumber business for all it is worth now. Mr. Harris also said that his own (kaolin) business was better last month than ever before, with an outlook for continual increase during the winter and spring. Other enterprises in that locality are also going forward rapidly and successfully. Now if the W. N. C. authorities will change their line so as to run from Sylva via Webster to Dillsboro it would be a great thing for that county and its magnificent resources. Grading has been completed by Maj. Ramseur between Sylva and Webster, and only light work remains to be done from Webster down the river to Dillsboro. We ask Col. Bridges' attention to this.

A Serious Loss.

Dr. H. C. Jones, a prominent citizen of Henderson county, residing on Mills River, had the misfortune to have his fine residence totally destroyed by fire on Friday the 6th inst. The building cost about \$3,500; no insurance. It is a serious loss, and the Doctor may be assured of the sympathy of his many friends.

"Woman's Suffer-age"

was what a witty woman called that period of life which all middle-aged pass through, and during which so many seem to think they must suffer—that Nature intended it so. The same lady added: "If you don't believe in 'woman's suffer-age,' there is one ballot which will effectually defeat it—Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription." This is not only at the period of middle life, but at all ages when women suffer from uterine diseases, painful irregularities, inflammation, ulceration or prolapsus, the "Favorite Prescription" so strengthens the weak or diseased organs and enriches the blood, that years of health and enjoyment are added to life.