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**LOCALS.**  
**NOTICE!**  
The name of Charleston N. C. was changed by act of Legislature in January 1889 to Bryson City. The name of the postoffice has been changed accordingly.

The weather the past week has been hot—during the days.

Mercury has climbed into the nineties in Northern Michigan.

Remember that it takes money, and lots of it to run a newspaper.

County Teachers Institute is in session with about eighteen in attendance.

Pay your taxes, the village authorities need the money to complete the water supply.

It is Oh, for a girl to do housework! with more than one housekeeper in Bryson City.

Col. Bryson had his house photographed Tuesday, for the purpose of having the picture engraved on the cases of watches for his sons.

A fine idea.

Mrs. Jacob Fulmer of Asheville, wife of engineer Fulmer of the Murphy Division committed suicide one night last week while suffering from temporary insanity.

At the meeting last Thursday night to organize a Young People's Literary Club, W. T. Conley was elected president and Erastus Angel secretary. Further than this we are not informed.

A number of young men disported in the river Saturday just before sundown, Thomas Conley became so exhausted swimming through the rapids that he could with difficulty reach the bank.

Geo. Flowers had a close call while digging a well for last week. A stone became loosened from the bank and fell striking him on the shoulder. It struck so hard that it lamed the shoulder seriously.

D. K. Collins is getting the framing lumber for his building on the ground. W. F. Burns has made a good start cutting the granite for door and window sills and we hope soon to see the building going up.

The village authorities have had Prof. Hayden looking after their water supply for a few days with good results. The flow from the pun on the square is much larger.

In digging the ditch through Mr. Barnes' yard a fine bold spring was struck which improves the supply for the north side.

Hill Bros. & Co., have brought in some more nice white oak staves to add to our state fair exhibit.

Mr. Gibson informs us that he has been promised some specimens of wheat and millet. Don't forget these things gentlemen, if you will do your share—each of you—Swain county's exhibit at the State fair will be second to none.

A musical entertainment will be given at the Methodist church on Thursday night of next week. A good programme with some humor in it will be presented. An admission fee of 15 cts., (gent. and lady for 25 cts.) will be charged.

Mr. C. M. Alexander has the matter in charge and we know it will be good and trust the people will patronize it well.

D. G. Fisher lost a cow Saturday. She was found dead in the creek near Mr. Estes' farm. Two bullet holes explained the immediate cause of death. The work had evidently been done with a heavy revolver or rifle. The killing of a cow under any circumstances is bad enough, but to kill the cow of a man who is confined to his house an invalid is pretty low down. We hope that whoever did the job will be punished.

Now that summer is upon us it is well for everyone to be prepared for the inevitable. Children will eat green fruit and must take the consequences. Their elders sometimes find themselves suffering from summer complaints. Have a bottle of Fosgate's Anodyne Cordial in the house and you will never be without a sure remedy. It is good for all ages. For sale at J. S. Elmore & Bros., Bryson City N. C.

The board of directors of the Insane Asylum who for three weeks have been investigating charges of immorality, cruelty and misuse of funds preferred against Dr. Grissom the superintendent voted that he was not guilty of any of the charges. The vote stood two for conviction, six against it. The second physician, Dr. Rogers and several other officers tendered their resignations which were accepted.

Jumbo is no more. He ate poison and suffered the natural consequence. If he got this poison accidentally we can only express sorrow at his untimely taking off. If some body gave him poison, we have this to say—it was a sneaking mean trick. There are other ways of securing dogs provided they are doing mischief, and to poison a dog to spite his master is too contemptible and mean to deserve anything but the most heartiest condemnation.

On our trip to Asheville last week we were much pleased to note the signs of building and general improvement in the towns along the line. At Sylva the new kaolin factory is assuming good proportions. The chimney is 30 or 40 feet high and the shingles are being laid on the roof of the building. A slight disagreement had arisen between the carpenters and employers and the men had gone out on a strike. Other men have been secured and the work is progressing. At Dillsborough, Waynesville and Turnpike there were evidences of summer boarders.

None of the small places looked better than Whitnot. A liberal quantity of whitewash has been used on all buildings and the effect is excellent. Dr. R. V. Welch's farm always attracts the attention of travellers. The Dr. has demonstrated what can be done in the way of grass and fruit on our mountain lands—his clover in particular looking very fine. We wish there were more such fields all through the western counties. As usual the east bound train was delayed. Part of the train had to be left at the mountain and even then we were an hour late in reaching Asheville. Work on the bridges and trestles along the line is progressing slowly and we hope and wait patiently for an improved train service.

**Birtown Bubbles.**  
Birtown July 20, 1889.  
Rev. J. H. Queen passed here this morning on his way to Lufta church.

W. P. Hyde gave us a call the other day.

The neighbors went in yesterday and cleaned out J. D. Wiggins' crop, would do well if they would visit a few others.

Bobby Wilson made me a present this evening of a June apple which measured 10 1/2 inches around, this is a sample of our mountain fruit.

Kerley & Co., started their threshing machine the other day. G. H. and J. S. Keener made us a visit this evening.

Woe, sorrow and misery are the inevitable results of indulgence in intoxicating drinks, and the only safety from this dreadful curse is to follow the advice of Solomon, look not thou on the wine. Touch not taste not, handle not.

J. R. C.

**Items From Sawmill.**  
Mr. Editor:—As I have not seen anything in your paper from our section please allow me a bit of space and I will give the items of Sawmill.

We have a variety of timber some of which is being cut into boards by P. P. Buchanan, the spruce and common pine to go into Mr. Collins' brick building at Bryson City and about 300 fine poplar logs for the Tuckaseegee Lumber Co.

Corn crops are looking well. Wheat and oats are good.

Some of our boys would be expert oxdrivers if they could procure a whipstock and lash of sufficient length (about 25 ft. is all they can get.)

Swain P. O. can boast of a full corps of preachers and teachers about 10 of each.

Our section has furnished quite an amount of Trenails and could produce several thousand more.

It might not be out of place to say that we have an invalid Daniel A. Gibby 71 of age who has been unable to walk for about 30 years. He has read the Bible through 10 times, the new testament about 20 times and has been a member of the Baptist Church 32 years.

We need some men in our section that have a full stock of energy, brains and money to utilize our timbers and educate us to be better farmers better teachers.

So Mr. Editor when you hear people talking about various settlements in Swain Co. you please tell them, there is a settlement at or near Saw-mill.

July 14th. Swain.  
TYGER.

**PERSONALS.**  
W. K. McLean went to Asheville Monday.  
J. H. Smith returned to Murphy Saturday.  
Dr. Davis spent Sunday down the road.  
J. C. Cogdill came up to Bryson City Monday.  
James Baker went up the line Tuesday morning.  
J. H. Wynn of New Jersey was in town last week.

The editor and family were at Asheville last week.

Clerk Tatham of Robbinsville went home Saturday.

Squire Fawcett returned to Waynesville Monday.

A. B. Casselman registered at Swain Hotel Tuesday.

H. J. Deaderick of Knoxville took in the town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Aber, made Bryson City a visit Saturday.

D. A. Putman went to Asheville Tuesday to be gone over Sunday.

Messrs. W. D. and Joel L. Crisp returned from Asheville Saturday.

R. L. Leatherwood Esq. returned from a trip to Hazel Creek Tuesday.

Messrs. J. W. and R. L. Cooper came up from Murphy Wednesday last.

R. V. McElroy of Robbinsville was on Tuesday's train bound for Waynesville.

E. G. Coffin and W. D. Crisp started for Knoxville again Tuesday morning.

Miss E. J. Lake, of Chicago Ill. is visiting her parents Capt. and Mrs. B. B. Lake.

J. W. L. Arthur returned from Asheville Thursday, and went to Briartown Tuesday.

E. G. Coffin returned from a trip to Asheville, Knoxville and Chattanooga, Saturday.

Messes Church and Elms and Messes Fry and W. T. Conley went to Yellow Hill Tuesday.

Those drummers M. L. Gudger A. V. Lanson, Robt. M. Lance and L. W. White have been in town this week.

Mrs. Holmes of Hainesville Ala., whose husband was formerly Indian agent at this place, is visiting Mrs. Spray at Yellow Hill.

Jacob Gance, an old and influential citizen of Alexander Co. was on the train Monday bound for Marietta Ga. and taking in the mountains by the way.

D. K. Collins, A. B. Allison, E. Everett, J. H. Everett and Drs. E. M. Scruggs, R. L. Davis and A. M. Bennett formed a delegation of Masons visiting at Webster. They left on the morning train Wednesday.

Messes McLearen and Darden teachers in Judson College are spending a few weeks in town enjoying the mountains. They are guests at Dr. Davis' Mrs. Warren of South Hampton Va. a sister of Miss Darden's and son are also of the party. The ladies express themselves as being much pleased with Bryson City and Swain Co.

**SURE TO COME.**  
**Planing Mill, Saw Mill and Shingle Mill.**  
**Coming Bag and Baggage.**

So says F. M. McDonald of Alpena Mich., in a letter to R. Mooney of this place. Mr. McDonald was here in the Spring looking the country over previous to associating himself with Mr. James Fensom in a saw and planing mill enterprise at this point. As is well known to many of our readers, Mr. Fensom bought from Col. Bryson last summer valuable shore property in the village opposite the upper island. His experience satisfied him that a boom could be easily and safely constructed in the narrow channel north of the island and he resolved to build on the bank a fine saw mill and put in other machinery. Numerous difficulties have beset him, but at last they seem to be all cleared away. In Mr. McDonald he has secured an able and energetic business partner. McDonald was perfectly satisfied with the outlook here and his letter to Mooney settles all doubt as to when they propose to be here. "Not later than the last of August" he says. We have known for some time that these gentlemen were surely coming, but did not wish to publish it until their arrangements were practically complete. This is one more good establishment for Bryson City, but not the last one by any means—mind what we say.

**The Farmer's Alliance and Politics.**

By CAPT. S. B. ALEXANDER, PRESIDENT STATE ALLIANCE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

In all the States in which the farmers' alliance has been organized, except Texas, it is comparatively a new organization. The rapidity with which it has been organized has astonished every one, and it is unreasonable to expect that its members could comprehend the full scope of this grand organization with the limited opportunities afforded them. The first section of the declaration of principles is: "misunderstood by more of our members than any of the others—caused by newspapers and persons not members of our order, designedly or otherwise. We frequently see statements like the following: "The alliance must not go into politics." "Keep the alliance out of politics." "Politics must not be discussed in the alliance," etc. etc. Rice, sugar, wool and potatoes may be political topics one year, and the next their places may be supplied by other farm products. To hold that the alliance can not discuss laws or proposed laws that affect their interests is to deprive our members of the inalienable right of self-protection. The first section of the declaration of principles reads as follows:

"1. To labor for the education of the agricultural classes in the science of economical government in a strictly non-partisan spirit."

This declaration makes it the duty of alliances to consider any laws or proposed measure that will either benefit or discriminate against the agricultural classes. This must be done in "a strictly non-partisan spirit," the object of the alliance being to educate its members "in the science of economical government," so they can vote intelligently, and not depend upon the "taffy" of political speakers or the "one-sided tracts of political literature."

The ballot is the great protector of the people and unless our members investigate the laws under which we live and consider the changes proposed from time to time their ignorance will render them an easy prey to the educated politician, and they will be herded and driven by the political whip like the uneducated negroes of the South. "Knowledge is power," "Intelligence rules," "Money is influence," are proverbs of great significance. Knowledge, intelligence and money humanely directed are great blessings to mankind, but governed by rapacity they debauch the ballot and organize lobbies that procure the enactment of laws that make the rich richer and the poor poorer. "No force can arise except by the expenditure of a pre-existing force." So no class can become rich by legislation except by defrauding other classes. Monopolies, trusts, combines and pools flourish to-day to a greater degree than ever before in the world's history. The rapid increase of millionaires, some of whose fortunes exceed the assessed value of real and personal property of certain States, collected within the last thirty years, taken in connection with the scarcity of money among the agricultural classes, shows plainly that under the forms of law this country is drifting into two classes—the very rich and the very poor. Hence the necessity of every alliance discussing the laws to ascertain wherein we suffer and how we may be benefited. No organized lobby was ever seen in Washington in the farmers' interest, and perhaps will never be seen there. It is only through organization and instruction that the farmers will be able to protect their interest. The farmers' alliance does not contemplate organizing a political party, nor does it recognize any political party; but it holds that any party or any man who makes war upon its principles or who discriminates against the farmers and laborers' interest is its enemy. The alliance urges its members to uphold its principles, and if there should be any members "so clogged" by party ties that they can not stand up like brave men, give them a withdrawal card; the alliance is better off without them.

Real estate transfers received in Registrars office for Swain county during week ending July 24.

J. L. Cooper to M. S. Sherrill 152 acres on Tuckaseegee river and Cooper's creek \$500.

J. B. Raby and others to A. R. (line 21 acres adjoining village of Bryson City \$100.

A. B. Hyatt to R. H. Hyatt et al 473 acres known as Little John tract 100 acres adjoining above tract, the Amanda Birchfield and E. K. Hampton tract, and 50 acres known as the Wilageekee land, consideration \$5. and love and affection.

**FOUND.**  
A lady's tan colored kid glove on the road to Qualla. Enquire at this office and pay for this notice and get it.

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