

# Sylvan Valley News

Our County—Its Progress and Prosperity the First Duty of a Local Paper.

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## Dunns Rock Lodge No. 267



A. F. & A. M.

Meets Friday on or before the full moon in each month, at 2 p. m. Visiting Masons are cordially invited to meet with us. W. M. MAXWELL, Sec'y.

## Conestee Lodge No. 237,



I. O. O. F.  
Meets every Monday night at 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to visit us.

T. D. ENGLAND, N. C.

## Transylvania Lodge No. 143,



Knights of Pythias

Regular convention every Tuesday night in Masonic Hall. Visiting Knights are cordially invited to attend. W. E. BREESE Jr., C. C.

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HOURS:

Daily—7 a. m. to 10 p. m.  
Sunday—8 to 10 a. m., 4 to 6 p. m.  
Central Office—McMinn Block.

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Rooms 7 & 8, McMinn Bldg., Brevard, N. C.

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Investigation of Land Titles a Specialty.  
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and Grain Drills.

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## Sidewalks Once More.

### Why Wait until the Bonds Are Sold to Make Improvements?

The sun has done more during the past week to make our streets passable than either the Town authorities or the breeze raised by the News, and once more we can perambulate about town without soiling our sandals. But there will be other muddy times—days when the sun will not help us—and for such we should prepare while the sun is putting in its best licks in our service.

Having failed to wake up our Board of Aldermen, we have been studying whether we may be able to wake up the people. Most town improvements are made at the expense of property owners, and sidewalks are no exception. If we wait for the Town to build them we are sure to find the expense charged to the owners of the adjoining property. Then why wait? Why not take the matter in hand and make good walks for ourselves? If the Town authorities at some future date change the grade of streets they will find the material on hand to make walks without expense and owners of property will only be charged with the cost of grading.

There is a fair prospect that Brevard is to be well supplied with brick hereafter and there is no valid reason why our people should not take advantage of this fact and make good permanent walks in front of their premises. The Town authorities could then force owners of vacant lots to extend these walks, or build them and charge the cost against the lots, to be collected as other taxes. But until some one makes a beginning there will be nothing done.

Everything considered there is no better nor cheaper material for walks than brick and it is now on hand at our doors—let's get a move on ourselves and see if we cannot improve conditions without waiting for the sale of bonds or a second edition of the February deluge of mud.

The News proposes to "practice what it preaches" and will build a brick walk on the front of its lot at once—and it expects that the Town authorities will connect us with Main street by a passable walk way.

## Champion Liniment.

Charles Drake a mail carrier at Chapinville Conn. says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the champion of all liniments. The past year I was troubled a great deal with rheumatism in my shoulder. After trying several cures the storekeeper here recommended this remedy and it completely cured me." There is no use of anyone suffering from that painful ailment when this liniment can be obtained for a small sum. One application gives prompt relief and its continued use for a short time will produce a permanent cure.

For sale by Z. W. Nichols, Brevard and O. L. Erwin Calvert.

The SYLVAN VALLEY NEWS office for fine job printing.

## Davidson River Items.

Editors Sylvan Valley News:

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Judson Meece a fine baby girl.

Vernon Neill made a business trip to Hendersonville last Friday.

Hurrah! For Violet. We will be glad for you to send us some news items often.

Joseph Duckett of Pinkbeds made a business trip on Davidson river last week.

Miss Maude Case of Lamb's Creek is spending the week with the family of Judson Meece.

Mrs. Russell Howell of Avery Creek has been visiting her father and mother in the Pinkbeds.

If not providentially hindered Rev. Grayhl will preach at English Chapel the third Sunday at 11 o'clock. Let everybody attend.

Victoria Neill has returned from Hendersonville where she has been for some few weeks taking treatment for her throat and I am glad to state that she is so much better.

Rev. Grayhl the new minister on the Irvin charge preached an excellent sermon at English's Chapel Sunday. On account of bad weather the congregation was rather small. BUSTER.

## Blantyre Bubbles.

Editors Sylvan Valley News:

Mr. and Mrs. Loister Garren paid a pleasant visit to his home on Bolton Saturday last.

Your attention just a few minutes, please, until we see what the Blantyre "wind" brings this week.

The Sunday school here remains lively in spite of the disagreeable weather. There was quite a large crowd out Sunday.

James Drake, from Etowah, visited our "burg" last Sunday. He did not tell his business, but wore such a pleasant smile that it almost betrayed him.

The rain of Monday morning has considerably changed the vocation of the people in this section. Last week the hills were covered with lively coasting parties and the roads were alive with the noise of sleigh bells. Now they all seem to have retired to the house to enjoy the presence of a cheerful fire.

Mingus Hamilton was seen going down the road Sunday evening last wearing his new number ten brogans, his pa's mackintosh and stand-up collar, singing "I'll be all smiles to-night love." He stopped at the home of Parson Gray. I can't understand why his heart was so light unless it was because his feet were so heavy. MAMMA'S DARLING.

Wanted—Men and women in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established house of solid financial standing. Salary to men \$21 weekly, to women \$12 to \$18 weekly with expenses advanced each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address, Blew Bros. & Co., Dept. 5, Monon Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

## Robert E. Lee and the Federal Army.

The discussion as to the resignation of Robert E. Lee from the army of the United States in 1861 has received a fresh impetus by the appearance of "Recollections and Letters of General Robert E. Lee," by his son, R. E. Lee.

Aside from the fact that the book is exceedingly interesting in that it shows phases of the great commander's character which could only be known to a member of his household, it is valuable in many respects from a historical point of view.

The following is the full text of the letter, dated Feb. 28, 1868, by General Lee to Hon. Reverdy Johnson at Washington, in which his position with reference to this important matter was set forth at length:

My attention has been called to the official report of the debate in the senate of the United States on the 19th inst., in which you did me the kindness to doubt the correctness of the statement made by the Hon. Simon Cameron in regard to myself. I desire that you may be certain of my conduct on the occasion referred to so far as my individual opinion can make you. I never intended any one that I desired the commission of the United States army, nor did I have a conversation with but one man, Mr. Francis Preston Blair, subject, which was at his instance as I understood, at the residence of Mr. Blair. After the publication of the marks I declined the offer to take command of the army, and to be brought into the field so candidly and as courteously as that, though opposed to settling the deprecating war, I could take no part in an invasion of the southern states. I went directly from the interview with Mr. Blair to the office of General Scott, told him of the proposition that had been made to me and my decision. Upon reflection after returning to my home I concluded that I ought no longer to retain the commission I held in the United States army, and on the second morning thereafter I forwarded my resignation to General Scott. At the time I hoped that peace would have been preserved, that some way would have been found to save the country from the calamities of war, and I then had no other intention than to pass the remainder of my life as a private citizen. Two days afterward, upon the invitation of the governor of Virginia, I repaired to Richmond, found that the convention then in session had passed the ordinance withdrawing the state from the Union, and accepted the commission of commander of its forces, which was tendered to me.

These are the ample facts of the case, and they show that Mr. Cameron has been misinformed.

It would seem that the question of the motives which prompted Colonel Lee to throw up his United States commission and join fortunes with the Confederacy ought to be settled forever by this letter.

It seems that the plot of Mr. George Barr McCutcheon's captivating novel, "Granstark," was not improbable, although it was strikingly audacious. The story turned upon a princedom pledged for a loan. Recently the town of Nismar, Sweden, containing 18,000 inhabitants, has been transferred to Germany to satisfy a loan of \$1,000,000 made a century ago.

Americans who object to the size of their butcher bills may find some consolation in the study of the meat schedule at Port Arthur. Beef there is \$1.10 a pound, according to a recently escaped Russian. Horse meat is 20 cents a pound, dog meat 12 cents and turkeys \$1.11 apiece. Eggs bring \$1.20 per hundred.

## \$100 Reward \$100.

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