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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.  
D. B. HANCOCK, N. G.

## Transylvania Lodge No. 143,

**Knights of Pythias**  
Regular convention every Tuesday night in Masonic Hall. Visiting Knights are cordially invited to attend.  
WELCH GALLOWAY, C. C.

## Brevard Telephone Exchange.

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

## Professional Cards.

**W. A. GASH,**  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
Rooms 7 & 8, McMinn Bld'g, Brevard, N. C.

**W. B. DUCKWORTH,**  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
Investigation of Land Titles a Specialty.  
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**ZACHARY & BREESE**  
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW  
Offices in McMinn Block, Brevard, N. C.

**WELCH GALLOWAY,**  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
Practices in all the courts  
Rooms 9 and 10, McMinn Block.

**D. L. ENGLISH**  
LAWYER  
Rooms 11 and 12 McMinn Block,  
BREVARD, N. C.

## Miscellaneous.

## The Aethelwold

Brevard's New Hotel—Modern Apartments—Open all the year. The patronage of the traveling public as well as summer tourists is solicited. Opp. Court House, Brevard, N. C.

## Galloway, Duckworth & Co.,

## REAL ESTATE DEALERS,

Rooms 3 and 4, McMinn Block, Brevard, N. C.

Buy and sell all kinds of Real Estate. Collect rents, and attend to property when owner is absent.

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Glass  
Putty  
Sash Locks  
Window Lints  
Sash Cord and Weights

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Reapers and Binders  
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and Grain Drills.

Cor. Main and Caldwell BREVARD, N. C.

## Editorial Briefs.

Public ownership of public utilities is coming, even in larger towns than Brevard. Mayor Dunne of Chicago was elected on a platform that demanded public ownership of the street railways, and every move he is making brings the desired object nearer. We are glad that Brevard is starting right, by its effort to secure the water supply and sewerage. The extension of these two necessities will make it easier to control other public utilities as the town grows.

"More than 100 killed in Snyder, Okla., by a tornado;" "A town wiped out and five hundred dead by a cyclone in Texas;" "An Iowa town struck by a hurricane and fifty are dead." Such are the headlines that ornament the news pages of our big daily papers. Isn't it pleasant to live in a country where these destructive wind storms never molest or make us afraid? This mountain country has the best cyclone insurance of any spot on earth—and yet there are people who think we ask too much for our lands.

You may call it socialism, democracy, Bryanism or by whatever name you choose, but those who keep in touch with public sentiment can not fail to note that the question of public ownership is gaining friends everywhere. New York is making a fight against excessive gas bills, and all efforts to cheapen it by legislating for the people are unavailing—the gas companies are strong enough to bribe the legislature and hold up every bill formed to reduce the price of gas. The next election will see New York follow the pace set by Chicago.

The loss of over \$500,000 by the berry raisers in eastern North Carolina for want of refrigerator cars in which to ship them to market is apt to set people to thinking. The Armour Company was given the exclusive contract to supply the Coast Line with 1700 refrigerator cars, but after monopolizing the contract only 500 cars have been furnished. Over \$200,000 worth of strawberries have been dumped in the river from one station. Chadbourne. Of course suits without number will follow, but justice is tardy when a rich corporation is a party to the suit. The producers are the sufferers, and where is their remedy?

It is not too soon to call attention to the fact that Brevard is making no provision for the burial of its dead. The town ought to secure at least 20 acres—40 would be better—and hire a landscape gardener to properly lay off and beautify the tract for a last resting place for its dead. The neglected condition of all the private family cemeteries around here proves that only by making it somebody's business can the graves of our departed be kept in presentable shape. If Brevard increases in population so will its cemetery, and some provision for this increase should be made while lands just out of town can be purchased at reasonable prices.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Another Blow at Personal Liberty(?)

It seems by the news despatches that light has dawned upon another corporation—those soulless things, a by-product of man's selfishness in the 19th century. In a recent issue of the St. Louis Post Dispatch was the following notice:

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*Special Notice to Employees of United Railways Company of St. Louis, Mo.*

Gamblers and liquor drinkers should not engage in Street Railway work. If employees of the company choose to frequent saloons, either on or off duty, or attend the races or other gambling places, rooms or resorts, they are exercising a right which cannot be denied them, but they cannot remain in the service of the company. ROBERT McCULLOUGH, Vice Pres. and Gen. Manager.

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The notice derives added interest in our mind, from the fact that it is coincident with the opening of the racing, Sunday baseball and Sunday excursion season, all of which flourish in the Gate City.

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Capt. McCulloch discussing this notification to the employees of the company says: "Our object is to have men in our employ who will take the best of care of the wives and children of the men of St. Louis, who are committed to our care. They are entitled to the best of care and it is our duty to give it to them. Experience has taught me that the man who frequents saloons is not the best man to take care of the women and children who ride on the street cars. Many saloons are also gambling places, and the man who frequents gambling places is not the man you want to handle your money. Saloons and race tracks and all similar resorts are terribly demoralizing and their effects, if they are visited by men when they are off duty extend to their acts when they are on duty. I know by bitter and long experience that the men who visit saloons, race tracks or gambling resorts are not fit men to take care of the women and children who ride on the street cars nor to handle other people's money."

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And yet we elevate to place and power in our own city and state. Patriots—are they? and statesmen—are they? who for a consideration legalize these social and moral evils.

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We hold it true that the prime and greatest object in the election of national, state and municipal officers is to take the best of care of the wives and children of all the people, and that they are entitled to the best of care and that it is the bounden duty of all legal officers, from president to aldermen and even constable, to give it to them. In the light of experience how can this be done if saloons are licensed and thrown open to carry on their demoralizing and devastating business.

## A FEW REMARKS.

It was an American who made immortal the words, "There's no place like home," but if one was born in the country of fifty years ago, he will have some little difficulty except in our most rural districts in finding the home of his childhood. That home, simple, even bare in many respects but so rich in mother and true mother love and full of rosy boys and sweet faced daughters, has almost vanished. Its place is being taken by great, hulking modernities with their steam heat or hot air blasts and costly tinsels. It is impossible to construct out of one of these modern mansions such a home as one dreams of. Coziness and a radiator or air-tight stove are not synonymous terms and roast beef and doughnuts do not seem in accordance with the up-to-date cast iron kitchen range.

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Home is not altogether a matter of logs and a fireplace nor of laths and plaster, and I am glad my childhood was spent beside quiet waters, where green hill sides looked unflinchingly upward and where golden billows of wheat and corn crept close to the forest's edge, where one's lullaby was the ripple of a stream and one's reville the coming of a dove. It is religion to breathe the air in such surroundings, a philosophy to mark the tender green of springtime, the plentifulness of summer, the ripeness of autumn and the naked tragedy of winter. It is true we go to cities for mental stimulus—but do we find it there? It is said there is infinitely more apathy in crowded than in deserted places. Over-full hearts turn from "the ball to the bower," but our times wants the "brooding spirit."

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Are we ever quite satisfied, I wonder, even in Brevard? And yet this spring while the lilac buds were bursting into bloom and drenching the whole earth with their cool fragrance one felt that it would indeed be difficult to find a lovelier spot—and now the soft spring winds fill the air with mysterious whispers, and the breath of the violets and the calls of the building birds are blown about the new made world. Crocuses flame in the gardens and the very shadows seem somehow richer and warmer. And so there comes a bloom even upon the shadows that rest upon our hearts.

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It has been said "bigots, enthusiasts and clothes-pins all have small heads."

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The people who are most eager to share their troubles are usually those who are most stingy with their good fortune.

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We pity the class of men who cannot bear criticism. It shows they are either wrong or that they have not done their duty.

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As a people and section we do not realize as we should how blessed we are. We may not have the soil and money that some have, but we have something better. We have a mild

all-the-year around climate; we have pure water and air; our social, moral and educational advantages are good. It takes healthy men and women in body, mind and soul to make a desirable country—one worth living in. Being so highly favored more will be required of us. If we would retain them and continue to enjoy them, we should use them more unselfishly for humanity and for the glory of God. Will we do it? As the preacher said Sunday night, will we know the time of our visitation?

PETER PARLEY.

## Not Appreciated.

The crown prince of Sweden is to practice ruling while his father is sick, but the prince of Wales is never allowed to be the whole thing, remarks the Chicago Record, even for a few hours, no matter what may ail his royal mamma.

## Blue Monday.

A South side woman petitioned the courts to protect her in her regular washday, but it is believed, says the Chicago Record, that the majority of women would rather petition the legislature to abolish washday altogether.

## Trans-Siberian Railroad.

The Trans-Siberian railroad will be completed at the present rate of working in about two years, the cost probably considerably exceeding the original estimate of \$175,000,000.

It has been said that any nation which collects an indemnity from Turkey ought to receive additional compensation for the time lost and the strain on the nervous system. The delay in paying for losses inflicted upon our people in the Armenian massacres is entirely in keeping with Turkish traditions. The approved theory in the sultan's domains seems to be that "he pays twice who pays promptly."

The rural free delivery system of the post office department has grown to such proportions that it has been found necessary to establish four divisions properly to attend to the work, with headquarters at New York, Indianapolis, Denver and Washington, respectively.

## Deafness Cannot be Cured.

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.—F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 65c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Kansas man just returned from the isthmus, says the Panama Canal will not be completed for two hundred years. His pessimism should be discounted liberally, as he "failed" to get the job he went after.

To hear the awful way that Grover talks about them, one might suspect that the clubwomen were advocates of free silver.

Why suffer with spring tiredness, mean, cross feeling, no strength, no appetite? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well and keep you well. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.—Z. W. Nichols.