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## Asheville Letter

Items of Interest from the  
Mountain Metropolis

A Weekly Report for Readers  
of the News.

By our regular correspondent.

T. B. Hamby, of the Asheville High School, will conduct a competitive examination here March 15th for admission to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. For several years this section of North Carolina has not been represented by a naval cadet at the academy, and the vacancy is too alluring for eligible young men to overlook. It is stated that a number of Western North Carolina youths will take the examination.

It took Chas. Olsen one whole hour Wednesday night to down a "Baltimore Shad." Some who saw the match thought it was only a "sucker." Anyway the thing smelt of the can. The city fathers have just come to the conclusion that these wrestling matches are money making schemes for the participants and claim they hurt the morals of the younger element of the city due to the betting feature of each contest. Mayor Barnard will request the board to take action on the matter and either require a heavy license or prohibit exhibitions altogether. If the betting hurts the morals of the younger element as stated the writer can't see the improvement in morals by a heavy license. Probably when the bill is introduced it will make all things clearer and supply the "Missing Link."

With the departure of Secretary Randolph of the Asheville Board of Trade for a circuit of the resort places of Florida to distribute Asheville literature in an effort to attract tourist travel toward this city, the idea suggests itself to the writer that a co-operative movement in this line by the resort towns of Western North Carolina would make a stronger pull for the business and there would naturally be a larger and more concentrated movement on the part of the competitive towns of this section whose main object of getting the flow of travel headed toward this section of the state would no doubt bring better results to all. Each town with its individual attractiveness and inducements would get its share of the patronage. These annual trips of Secretary Randolph have proven to be one of the best modes of securing business for Asheville, and what is good for one ought to be good for all, providing the thing was properly handled.

Madame Sarah Bernhardt played to a \$3,500 house here Friday night. It was a representative gathering that greeted Madame Sarah, and the house was packed. Her acting was an "eye-opener" in the line of dramatic art, and her emotional and vivacious efforts lead one to doubt that the "Divine Sarah" was other than one who had passed the 60 mile post.

The police dragnet Thursday night gathered in 43 men and women from the "Red Light" district, all of whom were fined heavily in police court the following morning. Mayor Barnard has ordered a general cleaning out of this district and a raid will be made

every night if necessary to break up these houses in the tenderloin section. The aggregate fines of this one raid amounted to nearly \$1,300, and Judge Jones presided over the largest court and disposed of the longest docket in the police work in Asheville.

It is now definitely known that this city will not get the long sought after pulp mill, and that the plant will be installed at Canton, which site was originally selected by the Champion Fibre Mill people. It is said that Asheville will get a veneering plant soon, but that is to be seen.

Work on the new Asheville Bell Telephone Exchange building is progressing nicely and it is stated that this city will not only have one of the finest exchange buildings in the south, but that the new system to be installed at the completion of the building will enable Asheville to boast one of the finest equipped and operated telephone systems of all the Bell plants. Asheville could stand a vast improvement in telephone service and if the statement of the Bell people proves correct the citizens of this city will welcome the improvement with open armed gratitude.

Police Officer Chas. Lominac used his night stick on J. B. Field on Avery street Monday night when Field, it is alleged, had resisted arrest and attempted to shoot the policeman. Field came home with a big jag, a big gun and a big temper and ill-used his wife, "cussed" out the neighborhood and defied anyone to molest him. Officer Lominac responded to a hurry up call and not only molested Field but nearly cracked his skull when he attempted to execute a gun play. Mrs. Field plead with the court for her husband's release the following morning and the judge let him down rather light considering the offence.

The Toxaway Hotel Company have opened offices at 32 Patton avenue, and bid fair to secure a lot of additional patronage for the company's hotels in this manner.

Buncombe county has over \$80,000 of unpaid taxes on its books and Tax Collector Chambers has been instructed by the county commissioners to advertise the property for sale on which taxes remain unpaid for 1905.

The two baggage transfer companies of this city have consolidated their interests. Julian A. Woodcock has bought out H. R. Milliard, owner of the City Baggage Company, and will combine his holdings with that of H. C. Allen, of the Asheville Transfer Company. This move leaves no competition in the baggage transfer business here.

The old question of Court Square loafing is up for discussion again, and a number of remedies have been suggested, but up to the present writing the square continues to be the congregating point on sunny days for the weary toilers (?) who lounge around with no other apparent intentions than to be in the road of all pedestrians and sprinkle the ground with plenty of tobacco juice for the ladies to drag their skirts through. Judge Jones, of the police court, holds that the city ordinance regulating street loafing is unconstitutional and that the loitering cannot be prohibited as long as loiterers do not obstruct the street. This is a pretty state of affairs for a city the size of Asheville which receives thousands of visitors within its gates every year who are compelled to be content

with this objectionable spectacle of our Court Square loafers.

The internal revenue collections for this district for the month of February amounted to \$214,216.81, as taken from the records of Collector Harkins' office. Of this amount \$36,810.07 was for spirits and \$176,365.59 for tobacco tax.

L. R. D.

## Let Us Build and Not Destroy.

Editor Sylvan Valley News:

If one makes a success in business or other calling by the will of God, he will have enough to do. I am one that is willing to help make improvements and a sacrifice for the upbuilding of our town, and I think it a business proposition. I would "build and not destroy," and it will require all the aid and comfort we can get from the old and young before we reach the acme of our fond hopes.

The road before us seems a long one, and is flanked by many kickers who never get weary of their job, for it is the only job they have ever held for any considerable period. Some one may ask "what is meant by a kicker?" I don't wonder at the question because there are so many in Brevard. When questions of public good are under consideration only a few recognize them at first sight, and then the kicker appears under the guise of a watch dog of the public purse, and passes for a public benefactor—a kind of a saint without a halo, and the average citizen calls out in vain "Who are the kickers?"

The kickers are not the unselfish citizens of the town, nor are they those who love their fellow men like Abou Ben Adhem; neither are they men that employ their fellows in useful and profitable labor, paying full wages for service rendered; they are not the men of pure heart and clear brain in the community, but they are that indescribable part of every city and town north, east, west, as well as Brevard, who come kicking into the world, kick through life, and on the edge of the grave are found true to their early calling—kicking still. God help them, for no one else ever will. Save us from their kicks, for I know no end so sad as that of being beaten to death by the jawbone of an ass.

It has been said with much truth of them of old "Better have a regiment of asses led by a lion than a regiment of lions led by an ass." The best men of the town are none too good, but they stand with the lions and for improvements generally—i. e., grading and paving sidewalks, widening, extending and grading all the streets and walks, so we may be able to improve and beautify our homes.

OBSERVER.

When a Russian paper does not know where the money is coming from for its next printing bill, it just commits "leze majesty" in a cartoon, and then no one knows that its finish was caused by financial distress.

### Torture By Savages.

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With Tom Lawson on one side and Missouri on the other, Mr. Rockefeller must feel somewhat surrounded.

A new immigration movement is the moving of the little North Carolina distilleries across the line into Virginia.

Gen Funston who is looking for trouble in China must think there are some rivers over there that need swimming.

Now that March has drifted in like Mary's little lamb, we may expect to see it go out like a cage of Roosevelt bears.

How can any one expect the canal commission to do any digging when it keeps them busy making explanations.

Tom Lawson makes so many predictions nowadays, that it would be impossible for some of them not to come true.

Col. Mann is an exception in one respect at least. It has yet to be shown that he contributed anything to the Republican campaign fund.

Many Russian Liberals have no confidence in the douma. They fear that the Czar will have no difficulty in making it turn hand-springs and loop the loop.

Although the first robin has been here for some time, standing around on one foot, for some unaccountable reason, the first straw hat has not seen fit to blow in.

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Secretary Bonaparte wants a bigger Navy, Secretary Taft wants a bigger army. Both could be accommodated if Secretary Shaw should suddenly acquire an appetite for a bigger deficit.

Mr. Rockefeller can discharge some of his night watchmen now as those Missouri subpoena servers sitting on the doorsteps all night will be sufficient to keep burglars and dynamiters away.

Just at the time Congress, Missouri and several other would-be powers, think they are playing tag with the trusts, Kansas rises to announce that the "Standard Oil can" is once more sitting on its neck.

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