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T. B. ALLISON

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

The snow storm of Sunday night and Monday gave us a depth of 8 inches.

Our pansies were budding and would soon have been in bloom if it hadn't been for the groundhog.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Boardman left their beautiful home in Brevard Monday for a lengthy sojourn in foreign fields.

Don't fail to read the serial story, "The Mystery," commenced in this issue. It will interest you from start to finish.

This isn't very propitious weather for building sidewalks, but it is good weather to talk about them. We need a walk out Broad street.

Shall we have flowers this year, or shall we decorate our streets with chickens? This is a question for owners of chickens to answer.

Feed the birds—they are the farmers' friends. While the ground is covered with snow their rations will be short unless we feed them.

We certainly appreciate the efforts of the street committee in cleaning the sidewalks with snow plows. This is a time when the chaingang might earn its board.

You ought to have seen W. E. Bishop's force rolling big snow balls off the roof of the Fraternity building. It may be fun for boys, but proved hard work for men.

A yoke of oxen hitched to a mountain "slide," with two jovial and happy young ladies as engineers of the outfit, was the prettiest snow picture we saw Monday.

Even the Thermal belt over at Tryon, where they never have any weather, got quite a supply of our last snow storm, and coasting, snow balling and sleighing were indulged in.

For shame! A dozen great big men running down a poor, tired, innocent rabbit which could scarcely move in the snow. It might be sport, but how would you like to have been the rabbit?

The weather we have had since groundhog day may yet drive the News manager into buying a pair of rubbers. He has never worn a pair since coming to this country thirty-four years ago, and it is "hard to learn an old dog new tricks."

It is only your duty and justice to encourage your home paper, extend to it the nourishment to which it is entitled. Pay your subscriptions promptly, and send a few extra copies to your relatives and friends at a distance. They will appreciate the favor and so will we.

We learn that Frank Jenkins objects to our remark last week that streets on which members of the Board of Aldermen live all have sidewalks. The fact is he lives on a street that needs a sidewalk, but he was appointed to fill a vacancy and although elected since we forgot him.

Each year the poultry business is becoming more lucrative and now assumes proportions that will soon rival any branch of farm industry. Farmers are forced to acknowledge that the old hen can lift her own weight in raising a mortgage from the farm, but don't try to raise poultry in town.

If the various churches in this county will furnish us the necessary information we should very much like to publish a church directory. Every regular church service in the county is a matter of news and will be of interest to our readers—but we can't get up the copy without help. If preachers of the several denominations would send us a list of their regular appointments they will confer a favor that will be appreciated by all News readers.

Eight inches of snow Monday. Read "The Mystery" on page 3.

The Southern Stock and Farming Co. have a new ad on page 5. It will interest our farmers.

P. G. Morris was up from Landrum this week helping the Boardman's to get started on their wining-outing.

Wednesday, Feb. 12, was Lincoln's birthday, and was observed as a holiday in many cities throughout the country.

Osie has been afflicted with sore eyes this week and has not been at her job in the News office since Monday. Of course we miss her.

On Tuesday night E. W. Carter received the Rank of Knight in the K. of P. lodge. He agrees with description of this Rank, viz. "Hospital."

Are you reading the Commoner, Bryan's paper? Look at the proposition in another column and come into the ranks. Bring 60 cents to the News office and we will do the rest.

Ex-Sheriff King is a witness in the suit against Lane for shooting from the train and killing Miss Green at Buena Vista a few weeks since. He has gone to Asheville this week to attend the trial.

A letter from Landrum S. C., Monday, says the snow there was 8½ inches, and still snowing when the letter was mailed. So the "sunny south" got a bigger dose of "the beautiful" than Brevard.

For almost a week our town has had electric lights—and they are more than welcome. Companies or individuals who control public franchises must expect criticism when they fail to furnish satisfactory service.

If you are superstitious about the number 13 you had better give us your quarter dollars, for on each one are 13 stars, 13 letters in the scroll of the eagle's beak, 13 leaves on the olive branch, 13 arrow heads and 13 letters in the words "quarter dollar." Now it's not safe to keep them so just bring them in and get credit on your subscription for the full amount.

While Brevard banks have not formally called in their clearing house certificates, we learn that they do not contemplate putting any more of them in circulation. We haven't seen one of these "panic savers" in several days, and if any one wishes to pay for this paper in certificates they must hurry up or lose the chance—certificates will be hard to find in another week.

We cannot help but remark that conditions in our town are much improved since the present Board of Aldermen have been in office. We now have a brick walk to the depot, on both sides of Main street, one side of Caldwell, also a Macadam road to the depot. They have done well, but there are other streets that need walks, and we believe their good work will continue until other sections of the town are supplied. Keep your eye on Broad street—it is the coming residence street.

No man or set of men could have conceived and engineered a better weather scheme to get rid of our 8 inches of snow without damage to anyone, than has prevailed since Monday. We may kick about the mud—it's just natural to kick about something—but what would have been the result had other conditions prevailed? Sunshine and cold nights would have kept the snow on north ground a month at least. Had it rained the valleys would have been flooded and all farm work delayed a month. As it is, the snow has been going day night, and a few bright days will remove all traces of the mud.

J. C. M'GAHA DEAD.

J. Crawford McGaha, better known as "Craf," died under sad and peculiar circumstances Wednesday of last week. He left home last Wednesday morning to look up some hogs that were out in the range without food, and the snow made it a duty to feed them. He told his family when he left that if he did not find them he would probably spend the night at Tom Fowler's and hunt farther the next day, so when night came and he did not return there was no uneasiness at his home. He was at Fowler's house in the afternoon and made arrangements with Fowler to come over and work for him on Friday, and left for home before dark. This was the last seen of him alive.

Friday morning Fowler went to McGaha's according to promise and the discovery was made that Mr. McGaha was missing. A searching party was organized and the body found near the trail where it had lain two nights and a day undisturbed. The find was a terrible shock to the neighbors and friends who were in the searching party, as well as to his many friends in all this mountain country.

Mr. McGaha was 76 years old, was born, married, and had lived a long and useful life on the waters of Little River. His house was known far and wide for its hospitality, and there are few citizens of the county but have participated in its cheer and shelter. He was a good neighbor, a true friend and an honored citizen.

Mr. McGaha was a liberal member of the old M. E. church, and was the prime mover and the principal contributor in building the Little River chapel, near his home, as a place of worship for his denomination. His house has always been the home of the Methodist Episcopal clergymen who have visited this country since the war, and his donations have kept up the semblance of life and interest among the few who worshipped at Little River chapel.

He leaves a widow and four children to mourn their loss. V. B. McGaha, his only son, was for many years sheriff of the county. The daughters are all married, one of them being the wife of A. L. Hardin, our efficient county surveyor. W. B. Hardin, who lives over in the edge of South Carolina married one, and Steve Keith, now living in the Indian Territory, married the third.

No visible cause for his sudden death is known. He left home last Wednesday morning in his usual health, and the exertion of walking over the mountains in the snow must have been too great and heart failure resulted. His sudden death will be regretted by a large circle of friends, and the News joins them in sympathy for the immediate family.

FOR THE ORPHANS.

There will be a Japanese Tea at the Fraternity building, Wednesday evening Feb. 19 from 7 to 9 o'clock. This tea is to be given for the benefit of the Balfour Orphanage. A cordial invitation is extended to all who will to attend this tea. You will be received, served and entertained by Japanese. Music will be a special feature of the evening. At the door a little Japanese will be ready to receive your free will offering for this cause, and we hope all will be prompted to contribute liberally as this is a cause that should appeal to the heart and purse of every one.

There are 15 or 20 orphans at Balfour who will not be received into any other orphanage, as the majority of them are abandoned children. Some of them found a home in an old barn with no one to care for them.

The building which they now occupy is not entirely finished, and they must be clothed and fed. Let each one come prepared to give to these needy children, remembering "it is more blessed to give than to receive." If the weather is unfavorable on the 19th, the Tea will be on the 20th.

Keeping Open House.

Everybody is welcome when we feel good; and we feel that way only when our digestive organs are working properly. Dr. King's New Life Pills regulate the action of stomach, liver and bowels so perfectly one can't help feeling good when he uses these pills. 25c at T. B. Allison's drug store.

CARD OF THANKS.

Editor Sylvan Valley News: Allow us space in your paper to express our many thanks to our friends who so nobly and faithfully rendered assistance during the sickness and death of our beloved mother, Elizabeth L. Lyday. Especially do we appreciate the untiring and faithful help given us by Mrs. Baulah Woodfin, and Mrs. Martha McKinna. May the Good Lord bountifully bless them all. HER CHILDREN.

Business Locals.

The Cash Store. Don't order, see Doyle. tf Nice cabbage and sweet potatoes at Jim Aiken's.

Land For Sale—One mile from town. See D. B. Hancock. 1-174t*

Leave orders at Black's barber shop for coal.—Bromfield Fuel Co. tf A few hundred dollars to loan on good security.—Welch Galloway. 4

Best Jellico lump coal and sawed wood for sale.—Brevard Light and Power Co. tf

For Rent—9-room house—all conveniences. Apply to Welch Galloway, attorney. 4t

Wanted—25 men for general work; good wages. Apply to Tockaway Tannery, Rosman, N. C. tf

Notice—The Board of Aldermen are pushing me for funds. Your Town Tax is past due and must be paid at once.—J. A. Galloway, Town Tax Collector. tf

The "Mayflower" shoe advertised by O. L. Erwin in this issue has the same sterling qualities of its historic namesake which carried our forefathers.

For Sale—One iron grey mare, fine brooder; one canopy top, two seated, surrey almost as good as new and one top buggy in very good shape, prices reasonable call on Dr. J. H. McLean. tf

Wanted—Best bargain for \$300 down, balance on easy payments in way of small improved fruit farm or otherwise. Owners preferred. Address, E. Smith, 569, 51 street, Chicago, Ill. j31t*3

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We must make room for our immense stock now ordered for our spring and summer trade. Don't forget this as there will be bargains for you.

WM. P. WEILT, Brevard, N. C.

MR. B

The plan of gas posits has probably already been enacted among all classes of perspective of pol more rapidly than question.

The new state banks, the fund to be used in paying of any state bank cause becomes obligations. A special session of the legislature called for the purpose of legislation similar plan. The government is considering the calling a special session of the legislature on account of belief among the people of the formation to bank of their deposits hoarding of money circulation sufficient to duct the business and prevent a recurrence of disastrous panics at which we are now

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