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**Mrs. James B. Beard,**

HICKORY, N. C.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. J. Will Roberts, of Morganton was here Friday.

Mrs. Henry Elliott has returned from Wilmington.

Mr. J. S. Zimmerman, of Winston, was here Tuesday.

Atty. R. L. Sigmon, of Wakeforest, was here Saturday.

Lots brought good prices at the Campbell lot sale Saturday.

Mr. Robert Black was in the city for a few days this week.

Rev. W. E. Poovey will preach at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Mrs. Harry E. Ried, of Lincolnton, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Z. V. Kendrick, of Charlotte, was in the city Saturday.

Miss Ethel Stephenson went to Charlotte for a few days visit.

Atty. E. T. Cansler, of Charlotte, was here a few hours Saturday.

Miss Susie Fry is visiting Miss Hettie Whitener, near Zion Church.

There were two persons united with the Reformed Church last Sunday.

Mr. A. M. Willey has returned to the City, after being absent for several weeks.

Miss Irene Ericson will leave tomorrow for Michigan where she will enter school.

Mr. Canie Sigmon, one of our confederate soldiers, celebrated his 72 birthday, Monday.

Claremont College has an excellent faculty for this term. The session opens 18th of Sept.

Mr. Roy Abernethy who has been seriously ill with something like blood poison, is recovering fast.

There will be no services at the Reformed Church next Sunday. Rev. Murphy will be at Mathews.

We publish elsewhere the Statement of Hickory 1st B. & S. Association, which makes an excellent showing.

Editor John B. Sherrill, of Concord, was in to see us a few days ago. We are always glad to see this clever editor.

Miss Grace Kirkpatrick, of Dye West S. C., left Tuesday after spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. N. E. Aull.

Mrs. J. M. Abernethy and daughter, Miss Blanche, of Mt. Grove Church, Va. vicinity, are visiting Mrs. R. D. Abernethy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. DeBerry, of Miami Fla., after spending a few weeks here, has gone to Woodville, N. C. to visit friends.

Judge Council was here Saturday, he is still suffering from injuries received in the railroad wreck of some weeks ago.

The hour fixed by the Pastors Association for the Sunday evening services for Sept. and Oct. is 7:30, O'clock.

J. L. Murphy, Sec.

The small boys and girls should be looking up their books and satchels, making ready for the opening of the Graded school Sept 10th.

We are glad to hear that Reubin Barger, is back from the hospital. Mr. Barger being an old soldier, the physicians charged him only for his board while in the sanitarium.

The children from the Oxford Orphanage gave a concert at the Graded school last Friday night, which pleased a very large audience. Their receipts at Hickory was \$115.00.

The Hydro-electric engineer has been in Hickory, stopping at Col. Thornton's, during the past week. He is engaged surveying the two properties into one. Mr. C. S. Wenger, the engineer is being assisted by our own engineer, Mr. J. Guy Cline.

Mr. J. E. Rocket of near Bakers Mountain was in town Monday.

Mr. Horace Cromstee, of Long Shoals, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. Will Clinard gave a card party at the Hickory Inn Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mosteller spent Sunday in the Zion neighborhood.

Miss Lela White, of Statesville is visiting Mrs. J. T. Bowles this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bridges and baby, of Trenton, S. C., are here for a visit to friends.

We are very sorry to learn that Miss Bessie Little, daughter of Mr. J. P. Little is very ill.

Mrs. Charles H. Smith of Charlotte is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. C. Keever, on Lincolnton St.

Mr. Ed Hammond, one of our prosperous West Hickory merchants, has a handsome new rig.

Mrs. C. J. Yiunt and son, George went to Statesville Tuesday, to take in every bodies day.

Mrs. R. R. Dixon, of Wayne county, Ark., who has been visiting relatives in the city left for her home Saturday.

Miss Emma Michael returned from Davidson, where she has been visiting relatives and friends for several weeks.

Rutherford Roseboro, son of Dr. Roseboro, of Fredricksburg, Va., will be visiting Miss Mary Roseborough this week.

Mr. J. T. Smathers and Miss Fannie Link of Caldwell County were married at her fathers Mr. A. J. Links home Sunday.

David, the son of Mr. J. R. Widby, died at his home at Marion Sunday. The body was brought to Lenoir for burial Monday.

Lenoir College is soon to have a fifteen thousand dollar dormitory for boys.

Work is to begin on this building in a short time.

The marriage of D. L. Brinkley and Miss Blonnie Fry took place at the home of Mr. J. F. Hamby's Sunday at 10 o'clock, J. P. Seitz, Esq., officiating.

Rev. W. A. Deaton has moved his family here and will now make Hickory his home. Rev. Mr. Deaton is superintendent of conference missions of this district of the Lutheran church.

There will be preaching in the new Presbyterian church next Sunday. Rev. Mr. C. W. Trawick writes that he and family will return to-day or to-morrow, and he will preach in the new church Sunday at eleven o'clock.

The people from Alexander county are complaining of not having hitching grounds in Hickory. These are people that do a good amount of trading with us and there should be some provision made for their stock and not have these good people complaining about our city.

We have no prejudice against the neatly dressed, nice appearing boy, while we do detest the fellow who goes around looking like a bunch of hard luck, but a girl looking for a model husband should be careful. If you don't know one when you see him, ask mother—she will recognize him at once.

Bill Nye had the truth well told when he said: "A man may use a wart on the back of his neck for a collar button; ride on the back coach of a railroad train to save interest on his money till the conductor gets around; stop his watch at night to save wear and tare; leave his 'i' or 'r' without a dot or cross to save ink; pasture his mother's grave to save corn; but a man of this sort is a gentleman and a scholar compared to the fellow that will take a newspaper two or three years and when asked to pay for it puts it into the office and has it marked "refused."

Mr. J. F. Miller was in town Friday.

Mr. J. E. Mattocks, of Lenoir, was in the city Friday.

Mr. L. P. Henkle, of Lenoir, was registered at the Hickory Inn Friday.

Miss Josie Henderson, of Charlotte, was a guest at the Inn Thursday.

Miss Mary Ramsay returned home Wednesday, after spending a few days at Banner Elk.

Rev. W. C. Schaeffer and father, of Charlotte, were with friends in the city Saturday.

Mr. G. L. Herman of Charlotte spent a few days at his home in Lyles creek and went to the city Tuesday.

Prof. Geo. Hahn and wife went to Rutherford College Saturday. They expect to spend several days.

Miss Mary McDougall, of Charlotte, who has been visiting friends in the city, left for Blowing Rock Thursday.

Messrs. J. C. Morrison and A. L. Sain spent Thursday at Catawba Springs. They say there is plenty of young folks down there yet.

Rev. J. W. Willis of Rock Hill S. C. will preach at the Baptist Church Sunday night. Rev. Willis is visiting Mr. P. G. Kiser of this place.

Miss Louise and Clara Alexander, who have been visiting Mrs. B. Ellis, returned to Charlotte where they will soon enter the Presbyterian College.

Mrs. R. E. Simpson who has been in the Stokes Sanitarium, Salisbury for several weeks is improving very fast. Her friends expect her home in a week or so.

**How the Devil Went to Camp-meeting.**

Let not those who read these lines be shocked; it was not his Santanic Majesty, but The Democrat devil; and he is warranted to be like Mrs. McStinger when in a good temper, "as meek and mild as any house lamb."

He has been working pretty hard, and setting any amount of campaign literature; and, as this is calculated to have a bad effect on even the strongest mind, he thought himself; "Now, I will array myself in glad raiment and will invest of my hard-earned cash in hack hire, and will get me down unto Ball's Creek camp-ground forthwith." And even so he did. But it came to pass that in that same hack were divers light-minded persons of both sexes, and there was much giddy jesting, and, in some strange way the hat of this said devil did disappear. Wherefore when the camp-ground was reached, no trace of the said hat could be found, though the devil sought it carefully. Now of these matters nothing would have come to light, had it not been for the foreman who has an eye to matters in the said Democrat office. But, when he reached the camp-ground, having a desire to be sure that all was well with the said devil, he searched about to find him in the great crowd—and, when he did find him, lo, there he saw this misguided devil walking to and fro in the midst of the throng, between two well-favored young damsels; and upon his head there was no covering of any sort whatever. Whereupon the said foreman was deeply shocked, and said within himself; "these things ought not to be so, and to the end that this devil may never forget that he has been thus led into frivolity and lost his hat and his dignity, I will even hie me unto a truthful scribe, who will set the tale forth in such wise as it happened, and I will send it abroad in the land in the columns of the Democrat, which will be the best way that all men should know thereof." And it is even so.

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