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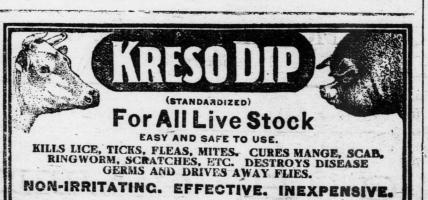
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tifully decorated for the occasion | 81 years old. Bach's "Meditation."

panied as far as Salisbury by our tables. Miss May Miller and Mr. Rose groom; Mr. J. W. Furr, Mr. Fos- a visit to his son-in-law, Wallace ter and Mrs. Miller, all of Salis- Rhony, and while on this visit

guests were F. B. Ingold, Mr. erect a cotton gin at an early and Mrs. C. C. Bost, and Mrs. L. date. One of C. M. Yoder boys R. Whitener, of Hickory; Miss had his thigh bone broken quite Ethel Super, of Baltimore. A recently but is doing very well. few relatives and friends of the There is a Mr. Preston moving bride from Catawba were present to Blackburn from the State of

received bore witness to the high Ritchy. esteem in which both bride and groom are held. -

Valle Crucis News.

Miss Lola Taylor who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Alice ed home to-day.

Mrs. Troy Candill is right sick again, we are sorry to say. Mrs. J. L. Calaway has been

visiting at Banner Elk for the past few days. Master Bynum Taylor went to

turned to-day. Mr. Grover Taylor, of Crandull, Tenn., is visiting in the running their saw mills.

valley this week. Mr. Lee Townsend day in the Valley.

and his friends fear he is taking water bridge near the old Ram-

Mrs. Lillian Hopkins and chil- now. dren are visiting at the home of Mr. H. A. Dobbin.

Master Blaine Byers is very SEABOARD AIR sick at this writing.

dersonville spent Saturday in the

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Letter From Rusticus.

Hello, Democrat: How are the

Agnes Louise Pitts to Mr. Edgar | would give you a small bach of

It was a very pretty home Well, he is about making a full wedding, the rooms being beau- hand in the field, though nearly

with ferns and roses. Little Things are moving along very Misses Constance Bost and Katie quietly. The farmers are as busy Coulter came down the stairs as bees on their farms getting in and entered the parlor first, fol- a proper shape. Since the last may do more damage than you lowed by tiny Miss Louise Little, heavy rains the water overflow may care to pay for. If you have neice of the bride, carrying the has greatly damaged the young a Fire Insurance Policy with ring on a silver tray. Miss corn so much that a great deal some good trustworthy company, Emma Pitts, maid of honor, came has to be planted over again. you will be thoroughly recomnext, followed by the bride at- Cotton as a general thing is a pensed for all damage by Fire. tired in white silk and veil. Rev. very poor standthis year. Though If this subject interests you we Mr. Myers performed the cere-some fields have a good stand will be pleased to give you all mony in a most impressive man- where the soil is red. Wheat we particulars. ner, during which Miss Marga- think will be good. Oates is exret Bost played very softly cellent. The potato farmers Clinard and Lyerly. have been very busy during the A dinner was served in the rainy season in setting out potadining-room in six or eight to slips. There will be a large courses, after which the happy crop of them planted. No apcouple left on the 6:15 train for ples worth naming. Grape crop Jamestown, Washington and will be none. Irish potatoes are other places. They were accom- now finding a welcome place on

The Rev. Pinkney Whitener, Miller; sister and brother of the of near Morganton, has been on sold a lot of an acre to George Among the other out-of-town Mosteller, where he intends to The many valuable presents Wilkes to turn ware for S. L.

F. A. Yoder has shipped about 1100 pounds of cabbage to Gastonia a few days ago.

We hope that Hickory will be successful in her 4th of July day. We noticed that politics are Egeers, of Mabel, N. C., return- running high That the Governor candidates are in the field. We think that it is rather to soon for that, move as the different newspapers will exhaust the subject before the time will come for the naming of the candidates. Better lay still awhile Mountain City yesterday and re- yet. We wish the Democrat a successful year.

The saw mill men are busy in

aged mother, of 81 years, who is sour mill in the principal talk

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