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THURSDAY, SEPT. 19, 1907.

We regret very much that the track of the C. & N-W. Railway was torn up by unknown citizens of Hickory. The act upon its face looks like a great outrage, but when any one understands how patiently the citizens have been about this nuisance, he cannot blame them. Every legal means had been used and the evil still remained. Mr. J. D. Elliott stated the position of Hickory at the conference of the railway officials and citizens so well that we take the liberty to quote him. "The track on the north side of depot was declared a nuisance by a Catawba county jury, but no remedy was provided. The Supreme court of the State declared it a nuisance, but the track still stayed there. The Corporation Commission ordered it moved, but the officials paid no attention to the order. Under these circumstances the citizens of Hickory decided it was not such a d—big job and that they would do it themselves."

## Hickory Wins With Hands Down

Friday morning the citizens of Hickory were greatly surprised to find that one hundred feet of the main line of the C. & N-W. Railway had been torn up the night before. Those who did the deed kept their identity a secret as no one but themselves know who the crow-bar users were. A section foreman was soon on the scene with a force of hands to repair the damage, but a large crowd of citizens gathered and said that it must not be done and that they would stop every one who attempted to repair the track. Things began to take a serious turn and there was danger of a riot, but the excellent mayor was able to cope with the situation and ordered the crowd to disperse and the work to be stopped. The foreman disregarded the order of the mayor and he was arrested, but soon furnished bail.

In the afternoon a conference was held by the mayor and citizens of Hickory and the following railroad officials: Capt. L. T. Nichols, E. F. Reid, J. L. Davidson, J. W. Fletcher, Jr., and J. A. Martin. Messrs. Yount and Whitener appeared for the city of Hickory. At the conference the following facts were brought out:

That the road on the north side of the depot had been declared a nuisance by a Catawba county jury, owing to the fact that the team track is the next one to the south of the main line and that when a train approached the teams were placed in a narrow space of twelve or fifteen feet with box cars on one side and a moving train on the other. Thus the lives of the teamsters and teams were constantly in danger. Also that the only wagon approach to the freight depot was on the north side and as here is not space between the track and depot the teams had to be driven off on the approach of a train and that at times the teamsters had to wait anywhere from thirty minutes to one hour and a half for local freights to unload. That the case was appealed to the Supreme court of North Carolina and the track was also declared a nuisance by that court, Chief

Justice Clark delivering the decision. That when the Southern Railway used half or more of the street on the south side for additional trackage the C. & N-W. had agreed to discontinue the use of the track on the north side and to use one of the Southern's. Also that the Corporation Commission had ordered the C. & N-W. to tear up the track in a reasonable length of time. That during the last few days that permanent improvements were being made on the track regardless of the decisions of two courts and the order of the Corporation Committee.

Capt. Nichols, general manager of the C. & N-W., said that he was ready, willing and anxious to discontinue the use of the said track, but that he could not possibly do so until the Southern had put in some cross over switches and gave him authority to use their tracks, and that he would do so just as soon as the Southern gave him permission. He also suggested that if the town officials were afraid of a riot if the C. & N-W. attempted to repair the track that the town itself would do the work. City officials said that they would gladly do so if the courts had not declared the track a nuisance and that the city in replacing said track would be doing a criminal act.

A telegram was received from the Corporation Commission stating that it would arrive that night. So it was decided that the city would see that no more track was damaged, and that the C. & N-W. on its part would not repair that already destroyed until two o'clock the next day.

Saturday morning the differences were adjusted before Samuel L. Rogers, who represented the Corporation Commission.

The commission ordered that the track be not used more than ten days longer and that for passenger trains only, the freights to use the Southern. That after that time the track must be removed.

Mr. Nichols explained the position of his road and it was very clear that the C. & N-W. was doing all in its power to remedy the present conditions here. A large number of business men and other citizens stated that they had nothing but friendly feelings for the road and that they were sorry that the differences occurred. Mr. Nichols by his frankness and manly conduct made many friends while here—friends who have freight to ship too. The affair although a regrettable one has caused a friendlier feeling between the citizens of Hickory and the officials of the railroad than has existed here in years.

Judge Council is holding court this week in Greensboro.

Miss Annie Wood is the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Shuford.

Miss Grace Woodward, of Morganton, spent a few hours in the city last Monday.

Miss Maude Allred, of Granite Falls, is visiting Miss Bessie Payne.

Hon. M. H. Yount spent Monday in Newton on professional business.

Miss Lillian Fields left Tuesday for Greensboro to enter the State Normal College.

Miss Mabel Little left Wednesday for Carnersville, Ga., to resume her work as instructor in music in Tugalo Institute.

Miss Mary Shuford entertained a few select friends Monday night in honor of Miss Annie Wood. The fascinating game of whist was played during the evening.

Miss Mary Shuford and her friend, Miss Annie Wood, who has been visiting her a few days, left to-day for Raleigh where they will enter St. Mary's College.

## Washing Machine Man in Trouble.

Mr. Will Kennedy had a warrant issued for Mr. Crooker, who has charge of the washing machine men in this section. The warrant charged that false pretense had been used in selling Mr. Kennedy a "right to sell rights." One of the agents told the prosecutor that he had made large sums out of the business; that he had seventeen hundred dollars in one bank and a thousand in another. He also pulled out a roll of bills of five hundred dollars, saying that he had made this entire amount in a very short while. This was too much for Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy to withstand and they readily signed notes secured by a mortgage on their home in order to secure a right. It developed at the trial that Mr. Crooker had advanced the other agent, Bush, a large part of the five hundred dollars in cash, and that there were only twelve hundred dollars in the two banks instead of twenty-seven hundred.

The case was tried before Justices Bruns and Whitener. It was a hard-fought one, Messrs. Self and Whitener appearing for Kennedy, and Cline and Hufham for the defendant Crooker. The defendant was bound over under a three hundred dollar bond.

Later—Messrs. Armsby, Bush and Crooker have been arrested and placed under bond to appear before T. J. Leonard, Esq., Friday at 2 p. m. to answer to the charge of conspiracy.

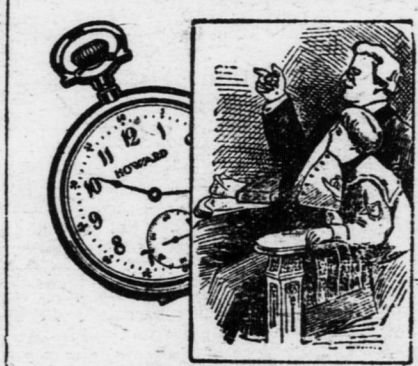
Misses Annie Summerow, of Charlotte, and Annie Self, of Newton, are the guests of Mrs. L. R. Summerow.

The Catawba county stork was again at his good work Monday night presenting Mr. and Mrs. Dave McCombs a fine baby girl.

Miss Nina Ramsay left Tuesday for Barium Springs where she will teach during the sickness of Miss Dixon.

Miss Pearl Henderson, of Gastonia, is stopping a few days with Mrs. C. B. Henderson. She will soon enter the Normal Collegiate Institute at Asheville.

Dr. H. L. Abernethy and others enjoyed a fine fox hunt Monday night. The race was continued until nine o'clock Tuesday morning, the fox finally getting away. "Doc" says that he run the darn thing a foot race around Baker's mountain and that if he had not stopped to laugh he would have caught the measly beast.



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scribed property:  
One house and lot on Bruns street, one story frame building, 100 feet front, by about 150 feet deep, a corner lot and being in front of A. Bourbonais.  
Lot No. 2. One story frame shingle roof dwelling, located on the corner of Church and High streets adjoining the property of Mrs. Hassell originally the Elliott property, and is about 75 feet front by 100 deep, house now occupied by G. E. Bisanar.  
Lot No. 3. One two-story frame hingle roof dwelling, situated in West Hickory, near the Hickory shops, on South Morganton street, near property of Willie Wilfong, and known as the Dick Maynard property.  
The above property is well located and very desirable, and is sold for partition among the tenants in common, heirs of the late Maj. James A. Weston.  
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George McCorkle, Commissioner.  
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No. 92. Vacant lot 100x250. Near Lenoir College	\$225
No. 91. Farm one mile from Hickory, Lincolnton road. 50 acres, well improved. Price only	\$1,500
No. 90. Farm, 12 acres, Baker's Ferry road, one mile from Hickory	\$800

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No. 89. Vacant Lot Store Property 25x100 feet. For quick sale.	\$750
No. 80. TEN ACRE FARM 1-4 mile from Hickory. 5 acres woodland, 5 acres in good state of cultivation	\$625
No. 81. ONE of the most desirable building lots in town	\$1200
No. 74. FARM AND ROLLER MILL, Lincoln county, farm contains 83 acres with 10 acres bottom, 4 room dwelling, barn and outhouses. 100,000 feet merchantable timber. Three stand mill operated by water power. The whole for	4500
No. 85. HOUSE AND VACANT LOT. Lincolnton street, 4 room house in good condition. Garden, fruit, vacant lot 136x172 1000	
No. 86. BRICK STORE BUILDING. Morganton street 20x75 feet, city water, elevator. One of the best stands in town. Only	3250
No. 79. NINE room dwelling. Lot 80x330, Hope avenue, near Lenoir college. City water. every convenience	2500
No. 75. 185 ACRE FARM and country store. Kings Creek township. Caldwell county. 35 acres in cultivation, 100 acres timber. Eight room 2-story dwelling, barn and outhouses. Near school house and church	3750
No. 66. HOUSE AND LOT at Hildebrand. One of the best bargains we have on our list	900
No. 65. 145 ACRE FARM 5 miles from Hickory in Caldwell county. Over 100,000 feet merchantable timber. Large deposits of gold and monozite. Two good dwellings, barns and outhouses, also good orchard	3000
No. 62. 65 ACRE FARM. 7 miles from Hickory. Land well watered, 35 acres in timber	700
No. 54. One of the best located and most beautiful residences in Hickory. Has every modern convenience. Lot 152x320. Is near center of town	3500
No. 57. 25 ACRE FARM, 1-2 mile from Hickory. Land lies well and is in high state of cultivation. New 5-room dwelling	\$2000
No. 56. FARM 50 acres, 3-4 mile from Hickory. Is a bargain at \$2375	

We also have for rent or lease, twenty acres of farm land right in the city of Hickory. There is a modern nine room dwelling on the place; equipped with city water, and electric lights. The land is in high state of cultivation, and the grounds surrounding the house are well improved.

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