

Items From Granite Falls.

Correspondence to The Democrat.

Prof. Hunter of Charlotte has been secured as principle of Granite Falls Graded school.

The Granite Falls Cotton mill has been closed down for two weeks but resumed work Monday.

Shuford Alred who it was thought would lose his sight is improving under the care of Dr. Shuford of Hickory.

Moses Harshaw was in town last week shaking hands with the "brethren" and we presume he was looking around as to his chance to the next representative at Raleigh.

Rev. Wolfe of Granite Falls station has been on a vacation to Asheville and other places in the mountains.

John L. Hayes and sister Mrs. H. W. Payne of Farmersville Texas who have been visiting relatives here for the past three returned their western home last Wednesday. They went to the Lone Star State 20 years ago and this is the first time they have been back they say the country don't look like it did when they left.

Puitners Lighting man has been here putting some much needed lights in the stores. The town authorities will put some street lights in soon, so we'll have plenty of light.

W. E. Starnes is having his cement blocks laid for his new dwelling. The Payne Bros. are doing the mason work.

The Farmers Institute was held here last week was not very largely attended but those who attended gained a lot of information and we would like to urge the people to attend these institutes as they are full of information to the farmers and fruit growers.

Hustler.

Route 1, Items.

Correspondent to the Democrat

T. C. Alexander of Statesville is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. John Degerhart who have been visiting J. P. Parker's have returned to their home in Gastonia.

M. M. Hutchings has completed his home and moved his mother and sisters, Berte and Marie up from Charlotte.

Miss Lizzie Ford has returned home from Morganton where she has been visiting her friend Miss Patton.

Miss Kat: Wood has been visiting her parents in Lincoln.

Tom Hutchings has returned to Birmingham Ala., after an extended visit to his mother.

Claude Baker of Charlotte is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Pink Baker.

B. C. Wood of Lincolnton spent part of last week with his son A. F. Wood.

Dr. and Mrs. F. T. Foard attended the Farmer's meeting in Hickory Wednesday.

Chas. Hudson of Morganton is visiting his mother Mrs. J. F. Lynn.

Messrs. B. C. and A. F. Wood spent Monday in Connelly Springs.

Rev. Pence will hold a series of meetings at Sardis beginning with Wednesday.

Miss Mary Lee and Carl Green of Yadkin College are visiting Dr. Foard's.

Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. R. O. Ramsour are visiting Mrs. Matti Ramsour near Lincolnton.

Frank Fulbright has returned home after spending a week in Asheville.

T. B. Deane of Kinston spent Sunday at Dr. Foard's.

Floyd Honeycutt is visiting Jacob Fulbright's.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Propst of Newton spent Sunday with Mr. Dan Propst's.

Miss Mammie Williams of Norfolk, Va., is visiting her sister Mrs. J. F. Hudson.

General News.

St. Petersburg. The Czar has decided to prohibit the celebration of Tolstois 80th birthday.

New York. Venezuela has received ultimatum from Holland insisting that her decrees be suspended.

Lexington Ky. On account of the hostility of the night riders the American Tobacco Company has decided to withdraw from Kentucky.

Minneapolis—Gov. John Johnson who has been Gov. of Minnesota for two terms and was a prominent candidate for the Presidential Nomination has been unanimously nominated for Governor by the Minnesota Democrats.

Des. Moines—W. J. Bryan delivered his Tariff Speech here the 21st before an immense audience.

Hot Springs, Va.—W. H. Taft addressed about 4000 Virginians Aug. 21st. His speech was an answer to Bryan.

Aluminum.
Aluminum is a white metal resembling silver, but only one-quarter as heavy. It is very malleable and in tenacity approaches iron. Exposed to dry or moist air, it is unalterable and does not oxidize or tarnish like most metals. Salt water affects it less than it does silver, tin or copper. Neither cold nor hot water has any action upon it. Sulphuretted hydrogen, the gas which so readily tarnishes the silver in households, does not act on aluminum, which is found to preserve its appearance under all ordinary circumstances as perfectly as gold does.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds; Prevents Pneumonia

Australian Bushmen.
Although the bushmen of Australia are the very lowest in the scale of ignorance, they possess a rare instinct that equals that of many animals and is in its way as wonderful as man's reason. It is almost impossible for them to be lost. Even if they be led away from their home blindfolded for miles, when released they will unerringly turn in the right direction and take their way to their nest homes, and, though these are all very similar, they never make a mistake.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
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The Way of Heather.
Where Sonnerbo township touches the boundaries of Halland there is a sandy heath which is so far-reaching that he who stands upon one edge of it cannot look across to the other. Nothing except heather grows on the heath, and it wouldn't be easy to coax other growths to thrive there. To start with, one would have to uproot the heather, for it is thus with heather: Although it has only a little shrunken root, small shrunken branches and dry, shrunken leaves, it fancies that it's a tree. Therefore it acts just like real trees—spreads itself out to forest fashion over wide areas, holds together faithfully and causes all foreign growths that wish to crowd in upon its territory to die out.—"Adventures of Nils," Translated from the Swedish of Selma Lagerlof by Velma Swanston Howard.

Protecting Her Cake.
The woman who had charge of a certain village postoffice was strongly suspected of tampering with parcels entrusted to her care. One day a rosy-cheeked youngster, dressed in his best clothes, entered the postoffice and carefully laid a huge slice of iced cake on the counter.

"With my sister the bride's compliments, and will you please eat as much as you can?" he said.

The postmistress smiled delightedly.

"How very kind of the bride to remember me!" she cried. "Did she know of my weakness for wedding cake?"

"She did," answered the youngster coldly, "and she thought she'd send you a bit of it this afternoon, just to take the edge off yer appetite before she posted any boxes off to her friends!"—Exchange.

Both Saved Gallons.
Devoe is worth \$4 or \$5 a gallon, put-on; how much is another paint worth?

Depends on how many gallons you've got to put-on, to be equal to one of Devoe.

Mr. J. J. Hall, Sheffield, Pa. painted two houses one coat, five years ago, lead-and-oil, took 40 gallons.

Last summer bought 40 gallons Devoe for same houses; had 10 gallons left.

Mr. N. Avery, Delhi, N. Y., owns two houses exactly alike; painted one with Devoe; took 6 gallons. The other with some other; took 12 gallons.

What'd you give for those oil paints? Bear in mind, you've got to pay for the painting.

F. B. Ingold.

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Health Regulations for the City Schools.

In order to prevent the spread of contagious diseases in the schools the following regulations will be strictly enforced.

Persons affected with diphtheria, measles, scarlet fever, mumps, small pox, whooping-cough, chicken pox, (sore eyes,) or other contagious diseases will be excluded from school until official permission to return is given by the superintendent upon proper certificate of complete convalescence from attending physician.

Persons living in the family or house in which there is a case of such disease will be excluded from school until the attending physician certifies that all danger of contagion has passed.

Persons exposed to any of these diseases will be excluded from school until the period for contracting the disease has passed. For diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, chicken pox, and mumps fourteen days must elapse after exposure before the pupil may return to school. For whooping-cough and small-pox twenty-one days must elapse.

In case there should be an outbreak of small-pox within the city, all pupils attending the city schools must be vaccinated at once unless they have been successfully vaccinated.

Any pupil who shows symptoms of any contagious disease while at school will be promptly dismissed to await developments.

The School authorities wish to exercise all needful care and precaution to prevent any epidemic from spreading through the schools and interfering with the work. It is believed that any epidemic may be arrested if all the parents will co-operate in promptly isolating those children who have been exposed to such contagious diseases.

Chas. M. Staley, Supt.

The Dignity of the Subtreasury.
We are wont to imagine an imposing structure of stone when any one speaks of the subtreasury. But back in 1854 things were different. One of the official examiners of subtreasuries at that time was one Gouge, and he tells us in one of his reports that the subtreasury at Jeffersonville, Ind., in that year was in a tavern adjoining a barroom and connected with it by a door with glass lights. The purpose of the glass was to make easy for the assistant treasurer when in the barroom to keep an eye on his office. This office consisted of two rooms, and the public got in through a back passage under a stairway. The gold was kept in an iron safe and the silver in wooden boxes. The assistant treasurer, armed, slept in one of the rooms. That was in 1854!—Metropolitan Magazine.

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for children; safe, sure. No opiates

The Olympic Games.
In 776 B. C. the Eleians engraved the name of their countryman Corebus as victor in the foot race, and thenceforward we have an almost unbroken list of victors in each Olympiad, or fourth recurrent year, for nearly twelve centuries. The games survived even the extinction of Greek liberty and were finally abolished by the Christian Emperor Theodosius in the tenth year of his reign.—New York American.

NOTICE TO DEMOCRATS.

Senatorial Convention.
The Senatorial Convention of the 31st District, composed of Lincoln and Catawba counties, is hereby called to meet at Newton, at 12 o'clock m. August 29th for the purpose of nominating a candidate for State Senator and transacting such other business as may come before it.

This the 8th day of Aug. 1908.

A. L. Quickel,
Chairman Lincoln Co., Democratic Executive Com.
E. L. Shuford,
Chairman Catawba Co., Democratic Executive Com.

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Waking His Audience.
At about 3 o'clock one morning T. P. O'Connor was orating in the house of commons to twelve or fifteen members lying about in various stages of drowsiness. Sir Patrick O'Brien was among them and, now and then yawning himself with a start from falling asleep, audibly engaged in conversation.

"I protest against this disorderly conduct!" exclaimed Mr. O'Connor at length. "The honorable baronet is constantly interrupting me."

"Sir," replied Sir Patrick, with a graceful bow, "the honorable gentleman misinterprets my motive. I interrupted, it is true, but it was with the intention of waking the honorable gentleman's audience."

A BOON TO ELDERLY PEOPLE
Most elderly people have some kidney or bladder disorder, that is both painful and dangerous. Foley's Kidney Remedy has proven a boon to many elderly people as it stimulates the urinary organs, corrects irregularities and tones up the whole system. Commerce taking Foley's Kidney Remedy at once and be vigorous.

Wanted to Sell.
The furniture and all hotel fixtures of the Central Hotel. Located fifty yards from passenger depot. Must sell on account of bad health. Terms on application.

Central Hotel.
Mrs. J. A. Edmisten, Prop.

Regulates the bowels, promotes easy natural movements, cures constipation.—Doan's regulate. Ask your druggist for them. 25 cents a box.

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Persons needing my services at night or on Sunday, can find me at my new residence on 17th street, or by calling 'phone 43.

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Funeral Director & Embalmer.

Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more.

Auction Sale, Shetland Ponies
Alamance Farm, Thursday, September 3rd. One hundred Select Shetland Ponies, consisting of Brood Mares and Folds, Fillies, Stallions and Geldings.
Sale 11:30 a. m.
McBRIDGE HOLT,
Graham, N. C.

THE CHILDREN LIKE IT
KENNEDY'S LAXATIVE
COUGH SYRUP

LEARNING TO SWIM.

The Fat Man Who Was a Model of Patience and Perseverance.
Persistence in undertaking is a laudable virtue, but it can be a bit overdone sometimes, as in a case described by Y. L. Molloy in "Our Autumn Holiday on French Rivers." Mr. Molloy and his friends, longing for a good dive, went to a swimming school on an island in the Seine. They donned their rented costumes and were preparing for the plunge when a man with ropes came along and insisted on tying them about their waists. It was according to police regulations, and, although they made an indignant protest, they were obliged to submit.

While we were dressing, says Mr. Molloy, we asked the two swimming masters for an extra towel.

"Pardon," they replied, "we must attend to our monsieur."

Then we saw that there had come upon the platform a short and absurdly fat man dressed in bathing costume, swimming sandals and oiled cap.

"Let's see him go in," said we.

"What a splash he'll make!"

The swimming masters received the new arrival at the middle of the platform. There he balanced himself on his stomach on a wooden stump two feet high. The masters seized him by his hands and feet and with slow and deliberate movements made him strike out with the action of swimming. They kept this up for a quarter of an hour, and the perspiration rolled off him in great drops.

"He'll be awfully hot to go into the water after that," said I.

But he did not go into the water. The swimming lesson over, he moved toward the dressing room, saying:

"I have done better today."

"Ah, yes," answered one of the masters. "Your progress is admirable."

The fat man beamed with complaisance and went in to dress.

I called the swimming masters aside.

"Does 'our monsieur' practice often like that? He must have great perseverance."

"Perseverance! He has worked like this for five years, and he has never been in the water!"

SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

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It is a very serious matter to ask for one medicine and have the wrong one given you. For this reason we urge you in buying to be careful to get the genuine—

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SOLD IN TOWN

SIGN OF A BEATEN MAN.

Runner Who Looks Behind Almost Sure to Lose the Race.
"There are many more good distance runners now than in my days," said an old time champion after watching a three mile scratch race at the New York Athletic club games. "But the habits of the runners have not changed any, for I noticed one little trick in the race that bore the significance that used to attach to it."

"To the casual onlooker there was nothing to choose between the two leaders when they were beginning the last quarter of a mile. Right from the crack of the pistol they were running almost stride for stride with the low, graceful, easy action of the real long distance runner."

"Neither had called into use the reserve power which must be utilized in the final sprint for victory when they turned into the stretch for the final lap. Then one of them slightly turned his head to see where the third man was."

"That man is beaten," was the thought which occurred to me at once, and it proved true, as always, for when the dash for the finish began he allowed his rival to get a lead of five yards before going after him in earnest pursuit."

"From that point to the finish there was no perceptible difference in the speed of the men, but the man who had turned his head to make sure that he would get second place, instead of bending every energy to win, of course landed where his thoughts placed him."—New York Sun.

BLOCKADED

Every Household in Hickory Should Know How to Resist it.
The back aches because the kidneys are blockaded. Help the kidneys with their work.

The back will ache no more. Lots of proof that Doan's kidney Pills do this.

T. C. Robbin, living on Main St. Lenoir, says: "For several months I suffered from kidney trouble. I had Pains across the small of my back and felt dull, and languid all the time with no energy and ambition. The kidneys were annoying and I had an almost constant desire to pass the secretions, which were attended with pain. I secured Doan's Kidney Pills, used them according to directions, and was relieved of the trouble in a short time. My kidneys are now acting in a normal manner and I am entirely free from pain and distress."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

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Miles Darden, the Giant.

Miles Darden, the giant, was born and raised in North Carolina. He was seven feet six inches high and in 1845 weighed 871 pounds. He was born in 1798 and died in Tennessee Jan. 23, 1867. Until 1853 he was able to go about his work in an active manner, but his weight increased so fast that after that year when he wanted to move about, he had to be hauled in a two horse wagon. In 1839 it is chronicled that his coat was buttoned around three men, each weighing more than 200 pounds, who walked together in it down the streets in Lexington. At his death he is said to have weighed not less than 1,000 pounds. His coffin was 3 feet long, 35 inches deep, 32 inches across the breast, 18 inches across the head and 14 inches across the feet. These measurements were taken at the time and are matters of historical record.

Did Away With Passes.

In one of his messages Governor Johnson said: "If the public officers are not adequately compensated now for their services, fix the compensation to such an extent as to make it reasonable compensation and do away with the possibility of any officer becoming a beneficiary of the favor of corporations and by reason of gratuities being placed under some obligation to the corporation which extends the courtesy."

And urge most earnestly the early enactment of a law which will forever abolish the system in Minnesota. And it was done.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

Prevalence of Kidney Disease.
Most people do not realize the alarming increase and remarkable prevalence of kidney disease. While kidney disorders are the most common diseases that prevail, they are almost the last recognized by patient and physicians, who content themselves with doctoring the effects, while the original disease undermines the system.

What To Do.
There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention this paper and don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y.

No Tears Nor Hills.

In the days when Rowley Hill was bishop of the Isle of Man one of his clerymen bearing the name of Tears came to say adieu to his bishop on getting preferment. The parson said: "Goodby, my lord. I hope we may meet again, but if not here in some better place."

The bishop replied, "I fear the latter is unlikely, as there are no Tears in heaven."

"No doubt," wittily answered the parson, "you are right that our chance of meeting is small, as one reads of the plains of paradise, but never of any Hills there."—London Queen.

Plain Talks on Fertilizers

Increasing and Safeguarding the Wheat-Crop

The use of commercial fertilizers on the wheat crop is yearly becoming more general—proof enough that it pays, and pays well.

Too many farmers, however, use fertilizers without due regard for the special needs of their soils. Often they buy the cheapest grades. Or they use very small quantities.

That such unscientific use of fertilizers has proved profitable indicates what it can accomplish for wheat growers if used more carefully and intelligently.

The best way to learn just what fertilizers will pay you best is to make comparative tests on a small scale with your soils—then use a sufficient amount and you will undoubtedly increase not only the average yields, but your profits as well.

Write to the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company for its new Year Book or Almanac, a costly 130 page book, written by government and private experts. It shows how and why you can increase your crops three or four fold by following modern agricultural methods. A postal to any of the Company's offices given below will bring a copy by mail free of charge.

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Low Rates to Texas and the Southwest

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month exceptionally low-rate round-trip tickets will be sold via the Cotton Belt Route to points in Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Return limit 25 days and stop-overs allowed both going and returning.

The Cotton Belt is the direct line from Memphis to the Southwest. The Cotton Belt is the only line operating two daily trains, carrying through cars without change—the only line with a through sleeper Memphis to Dallas. Equipment includes sleepers, chair cars and parlor cars. Trains from all parts of the Southeast make direct connection at Memphis with Cotton Belt trains for the Southwest.

Ask the ticket agent to sell you a ticket via Memphis and the Cotton Belt.

Write for Texas or Arkansas book—whichever section you are interested in. These books are just off the press, and are full of facts and examples of what is actually being done by farmers, truck gardeners and fruit raisers in this highly-favored section. A free color map is inserted in each book—free upon request.

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