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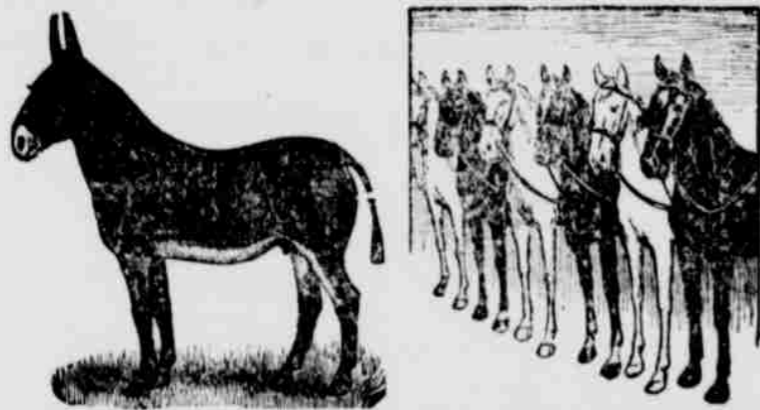


When the merchants of Monroe put the Dollar Day Sale on they are just giving you a sample of what you can do for cash. Bear that in mind while you are purchasing. See what the cash dollar will do.

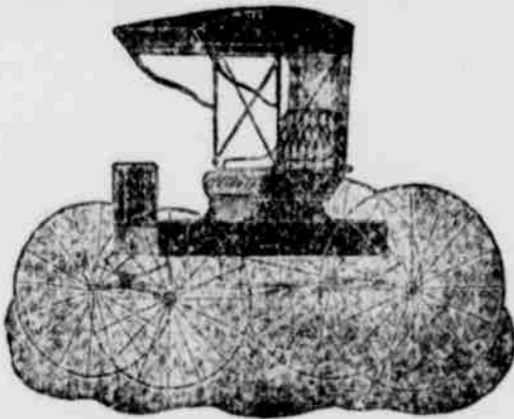
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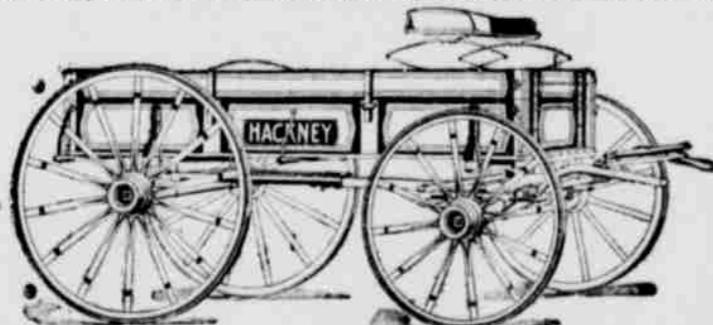


Our stock came in last night. All of them are in good condition. They are nice ones. Several pairs of Red Sorrells, Blacks, Blues and Deep Beys. If you want to buy or swap, come early and get your choice.



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The Sikes Co.

Tuesday, Jan. 25, 1916.

MONROE, N. C.

STATIONARY ENGINE RAN AWAY

Stopped After She Exhausted Herself—Much Sickness in Mr. Parker's Family—Still Found About Zoar. Pageland Journal, Jan. 26.

Little Georgia Doster, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Doster, was painfully burned last Wednesday when her clothing caught from some burning grass which her brother, Joe, had fired. The burns were painful, but not serious.

A 35-gallon still was found in the Zoar section a few days ago, and Policeman Melton was notified. He went and found a house about half a mile south of the state line in which a furnace had been built to hold the still and there were barrels of the malt and slops, but the man and the still were gone, presumably to North Carolina.

The governors on the engine at the plant of the Fox Lumber Co. failed to work last Thursday morning, and the engine quickly attained a speed entirely too fast for the well-being of the machinery and the safety of those in the vicinity. The line shafting was torn down and crooked about and the pulleys were slung here and there. The engine rocked and jumped and the driving wheels rubbing the brick foundation threw fire like skyrockets. The steam feed pipe was shaken and strained so much that steam gushed out at every joint. The slide in the engine finally gave way and shut off the steam. No one was hurt and the damage was estimated at about \$75.

Mr. R. F. Smith has resigned as policeman and moved to the country, but he says he still has a job here. He brings his children to school in the mornings, and as it is a couple of miles back home he just spends the day and carries them home in the afternoon. He says further that he has contracted with Mr. Wm. Horne and R. L. Smith to deliver to them by March 1, 1916, a car load of rabbits from his farm.

Messrs. Ed and William Terry, the sons of Mr. J. W. Terry, who found themselves in Jacksonville, Fla. several days ago without sufficient funds to buy tickets home and about whom some uneasiness was felt, came in on the 14th unannounced. Nothing had been heard from them since the telegram for money was received several days before. They came in safe and sound and none the worse because of the journey, though they are a little more experienced. They rode trains, autos, and buggies and hoofed it a spell occasionally.

Wayne, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Parker of Lanes Creek township, is now able to be out after a sickness with typhoid fever lasting from the 29th day of September until the 29th day of January, just four months from the time he was taken until he was able to leave the house. He can walk very little yet, but can ride about over the neighborhood. This is the first week there hasn't been someone sick at this home since some time last June. In July the baby died and a little later Clarence took fever. There were several weeks that Wayne hovered between life and death, and a trained nurse was necessary. Expenses have been very heavy, and those who have been blessed with health could not do better than remember these good people in this misfortune by a friendly turn of hand or pocketbook.

Just How the Thing Will Happen

Waxhaw Enterprise. Next Wednesday, February 2, is an international holiday, the same being the day upon which his Imperial Majesty, the Ground Hog, Universal Dictator and Ruler Absolute of weather conditions for forty days, will make his annual appearance. If on that day at the particular time when his majesty essays forth from his abiding place one ray of sunshine falls upon him and casts a shadow on the mould he will become frightened at it and scurry back into his hole for another forty days. If, however, the sun is veiled all day behind shielding clouds so that no shadow of any object falls upon the ground, his majesty, the Ground Hog, will remain on top. In case he returns to his hole there will be forty days more of winter. If he stays out, winter is done and spring will continue until in the regular course of time it merges into summer.

Suffering From Mule Bite of Twelve Years Ago

Wadesboro Ansonian. Mr. Jasper Collins of White Store township is confined here on account of a partial derangement of his mind thought to be due to his having been bitten twelve years ago by a mule suffering with hydrophia. He is a popular young man and a good citizen. A few days ago he became almost wild and attacked a number of people. It is recalled that a mad dog bit a mule on his father's place and the mule, apparently suffering from the disease, bit the boy. He showed no effects of the poison in his system and at times now appears rational. It is a very sad case and friends of the family sympathize with them.

No Damages, Rule Two Women Jurors.

Kansas City Post. It took Waydotte county's two women jurors, Mrs. A. A. Young and Mrs. Louise Pryor, assisted by ten men just thirty minutes to decide, this morning, that A. J. Walters was not entitled to \$2,500 damage from the Lonsdale Grain company.

Walters, who sued, alleging that he had been hurt and incapacitated for work while in the employ of the grain concern, went to work on the day of his injury, according to witnesses, and the next day was discharged after a tiff with the superintendent.

The arguments of attorneys were concluded at 9:30 this morning and the jury retired to deliberate. At just 10 o'clock a verdict for the defendant was returned. "Both Mrs. Young and I like jury duty," said Mrs. Pryor as she took up again her work on the "bungalow dolly" which she makes during the idle moments in her jury service. "We had no difficulty reaching a verdict. We were agreed from the first."

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Notice to the Tax Payers of Union County.

By an act of the Legislature of 1915, a collector's fee of 50 cents must be added to all taxes not paid before the First Day of February of each year. This fee of 50 cents will not be collected unless the taxes be placed in the hands of outside collectors. I hope all who have not paid their taxes for 1915 will call in the Sheriff's office and pay, or write me for a statement and send it in by mail before February 1st.

I will be forced to place the taxes in the hands of collectors in the month of February in order to meet my final settlement.

Very respectfully,

J. V. GRIFFITH, Sheriff of Union County.

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