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The Winston Journal is always glad of an excuse to throw off on Charlotte. Some of these times when Deacon Hemphill finishes up Bryan and Wilson, he will take a journey to Winston and wipe Editor Gunter off the earth.

Mocksville needs a cotton mill, and a cotton mill needs Mocksville. Labor fuel and land can be had at reasonable prices, our climate is healthy, our water good, our people clever. Other towns are securing cotton mills. Why not get one for Mocksville.

All money looks alike to us, it makes no difference who turns it into our office--Democrat, Republican or Socialist--for a dollar only buys so much of anything. There are a few narrow-minded people around here who are afraid to patronize a person, firm or corporation that differs with them in politics or religion. Such people don't deserve to succeed in life, and they won't.

Our paper is published for the benefit to our subscribers and the up-building of Mocksville and Davie county. Our columns are open to any one who cares to use them for furthering along the good work. The paper is Republican in politics, but the first consideration is news. Talking politics has never fed a hungry man, and never will. The country needs more religion and less politics, and everybody would be better off. Only a limited amount of space can be had in our paper to air the views of any politician of any party. What we want is articles on good roads, news items, and experiences of farmers in raising crops, grains, stock, poultry, etc. A little political soup helps to brighten a paper, but too much of it spoils the broth.

A SHAME.

Some time ago Chas. W. Morse, the New York bank defaulter, who was serving a long term in the Federal prison at Atlanta, was reported as being sick unto death, suffering from at least half a dozen fatal diseases. It was said he could not recover, and great efforts were made to have the President pardon him, that he might return home to die. If we mistake not, many newspapers throughout the country jumped on Mr. Taft and blessed him out for not issuing an immediate pardon. Finally the President did pardon Morse, and he returned home, but not to die. No, indeed. He stopped at home long enough to take a bath, change clothes, shave, and to help the folks celebrate his joyful homecoming. Instead of dying, he has disappeared from this country, and is traveling in foreign parts, enjoying himself to the fullest. Somebody has been buncoed.

About four years ago one James Lang was tried in Mocksville for bank robbery and sentenced to five years in the State penitentiary. A year ago or more it was reported that Lang was nearly dead with consumption, and could not recover. A pardon was asked for him. Much sympathy was expressed for him, and a petition was circulated here. Many people signed it, the editor along with the rest. The Governor finally pardoned him. Did Lang go home to die? Not much, he didn't. He went to New York State, and two weeks ago tried to rob another bank. Today he is serving a nine year sentence in Sing-Sing prison. Another case of somebody being buncoed. Somebody is to blame. A fellow once remarked that the American people loved to be buncoed. He told the truth. There are a few cases where pardons should be granted, but not many. Every case should be thoroughly investigated before any pardon is granted. Lawyers and doctors are not always infallible. Some one is to blame.

G. E. Greene, of Canada, is spending some time in this city, looking after his father's property and disposing of same. Mr. Green's friends are glad to see him looking so well.

Items From Dulins.

The ground hog certainly must have seen his shadow.
Mr. H. L. Milhollen is at home after spending some time at Cooleenec.
Mr. J. W. Wellman is visiting his sister, Mrs. H. L. Milhollen.
Miss Clara Foster spent last Thursday and Friday here, the guest of Miss Hannah Atkinson.
Mr. J. M. Summers, of Salisbury, spent one day last week with his daughter, Mrs. A. S. McDaniel.
Mr. William Crotts, of Mocksville, spent Saturday night with his parents here.
Mr. Frank Cash, of Smith Grove, was in our burg last Sunday. Wonder if sisters, or their friend can tell us what the attraction is.
What has become of "Sisters," of Smith Grove. They must have seen their shadow on ground hog day and crept into winter quarters. Wake up and let's hear from you again. DUSTER.

Hall's Ferry News.

Miss Mame Williams, of Smith Grove, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. F. Ward.
Mr. C. F. Ward made a business trip to Winston Monday.
Mrs. Janie Hege is all smiles--it's a boy.
Miss Hattie Walker, of Redland, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. B. Smith.
Miss R. we are sorry Mr. G. didn't call on you Sunday evening. Guess he was mud bound.
Mr. Earl Atkinson, of Dulins, was in our burg last Sunday evening.
Miss Mame Williams spent Thursday night with Miss Kate Ward.
Mr. C. F. Ward will soon have his new house completed.
Miss Reba Smith is visiting her sisters at Winston this week.
We will ring off for this time. Success to the dear old Record and its many readers. TWO JOLLY GIRLS.

Items From Howard's.

Mrs. T. E. Roberson is on the sick list.
Mr. Kelly Branson and Miss Sallie Bailey were married the 22nd. We wish for this happy couple a long happy life.
Miss Althea Comatz entertained a few of her friends at an apron hemming last Friday night. All that were present report a nice time.
Mrs. T. C. Sheets who has been at the bedside of her mother, came home last week. We are glad to learn that Mrs. Haneline is very much improved. As Mr. Sheets is so absent of the brain since his serious spell of grunting when his wife returned we suppose he forgot it was winter for he got his old straw hat and went around crowing like a spring rooster. We heard that he was in Mocksville Saturday crowing and strutting. We Gossips don't know whether he wore his straw hat or not.
Mr. W. F. Steward is still wearing his coat and hat turned wrong side out and walking the hills looking for his cap and keys.
We enjoyed the letter of our friend, Mr. E. L. Davis, of Florida, very much, hope he will write again. We think that Ed. Jr., learned the art of fly catching from his uncle Ed. When your melons get ripe let us know, for Gossips love to eat as well as to talk.
With Best wishes to The Record we close. GOSSIPS.

Farmington News.

We have been having some typical March weather in our burg now, as Squire Smith can testify. One night this week, while he was returning from "Loafers' Corner," an unusually hard gust of wind suddenly lifted his hat from his head and carried it, he knew not where. He was obliged to go home bareheaded. The next morning the hat was found in the neighborhood of Bob Gill's pig pen, forty or fifty yards from the sidewalk.
Mrs. John Sink, of Winston, is visiting her brother, Dr. E. M. Griffin, this week.
Mrs. A. W. Ellis has been suffering with rheumatism for the past week; but she is some better we are glad to note.
Dr. Speas spent Friday with his parents near Huntsville.
Mr. Hal Bahnson, who is doing business in Yadkinville, was in the village Sunday, visiting home folks.
Messrs. Harley and Willie Walker and Will Smith have returned home from Hunting Creek, where they have been running a hoop factory.
At Farmington Academy, on the evening of March 2, 1912, the members of Athenium Literary Society, of Farmington High School, will give a Leap Year entertainment. Everybody is invited to be present, especially the bachelors, both young and old. Admission fifteen cents. SOOKY.

Houston Fire-Swept.

Houston, Tex., Feb. 21.--In the wake of the most destructive fire in the history of Houston, smoldering wreckage tonight covers an area about one and a half miles in length and varying in width from two hundred yards to half a mile in the north-eastern section of the city. More than a dozen of the city's most important industrial enterprises are in ruins; two hundred or more dwelling houses and store buildings are in ashes and approximately one thousand persons are homeless. The most conservative is that the monetary loss will reach at least \$7,000,000. The insurance carried will not exceed forty per cent. No casualties attended the fire.

Reedy Creek News.

No accidents in our family this week. Mrs. Hiki winked at me the other day, now denies it.
One of Mr. Luther Phillips' little boys cut his little brother's foot nearly off with an axe last week. Dr. Zimmerman took nine stitches to sew it up.
Last Thursday Mr. Roscoe Walsen cut his foot so bad that Dr. Mock took five stitches to mend it.
Court began at Lexington Monday with the town full of horse traders and Dispatch contestants. Some who aimed to get Varner's horse would now take a billy goat. Sorry for you, boys.
Mr. E. F. Pickle is hauling his big crop of potatoes to Winston this muddy time. He works four horses to the county line, then pulls it all right with two. That's the difference in good roads and bad.
Miss Bessie Gentle found \$100.25 instead of \$90. A large new purse is missing yet that her mother had.
I have 20 old maids I am going to mark and turn loose on the old bachelors and widows as soon as the weather gets warm enough so ambers won't freeze on their chin, before dog days sets in, so if they get bit won't make such a sore. Some of them old bachelors are fools enough to bite.
It is not so dangerous to court now like it was before the stock law, for all kinds of animals were loose then. One night I and a girl were sitting so happy when her mother heard the cow bell coming. She howled out to the girl to go and turn the cows in or they would be in the corn before day. We went side by side, the girl opened the gate and one cow made for me. I ran around the girl, and she followed "You, Sam." She didn't have anything to keep it off of me but the gate peg, so I lit out down through the orchard the cow after me, the girl after the cow with her gate peg hollering, "You, Sam." I made a dash for the house, the door was shut and I rolled under the porch. The girl and the dog got it away. The dog liked me. The girl put the cow up and I came out all dirty and scared. We went and shut the gate and I told her I never would come again if they kept that cow. She said it was just playing with me. She took hold of my hand and then I felt all right.
Last Wednesday the wind blew John Scott's bows and cover off his wagon over on his horse. It tried to run away. His long overcoat tail blew over his head, and some say John fainted. I don't believe it.
Mrs. H. J. Zimmerman renewed her subscription last week and Mr. Carl Hege subscribed for the Record. Thanks.
Davidson court Feb. 26th. Eight prisoners in jail. Two murder cases.
Messrs. Manie and Carl Hege and several other boys and girls went to Welcome Saturday.
Dr. Hill was looking at Mrs. Hiki's tongue. I heard him say it was pale or pretty did not understand which. If he was to hear it sometimes he would sure enough go to Davie to get him a wife.
A. Mr. Leonard and Miss Clemma Craver were married by Rev. Ratledge Feb. 17th. It was a runaway match.
The good people of Davie gave Jim Crews several thousand votes in the contest again last week. HIKI.

Harmony, Route One News.

There is a lot of sickness in this section now.
Mrs. Louisa Smith and daughter Miss Emma, are confined to their room with lagrippe.
Gaither Bros. have moved their mill to D. A. Stroud's where they have a large contract of sawing.
Messrs. R. N. Smith and Fish Clary made a business trip to Winston last week.
Work is progressing nicely on the Holiness church.
Rev. B. H. Vestal of Greensboro, preached to a large congregation at Smith's chapel last Sunday.
Everet Murphy and Bob Kelley spent last week visiting home folks in Rowan county.
Miss Nealie Peacock and Mr. H. C. Hodgson were united in the holy bands of wedlock last Sunday by Esq. Will Hunter.
Mr. A. W. Edwards is getting out timber to build a new dwelling house.
Tell Dixie, of Farmington, that the Old Maids want to exchange cards with her. The farmers of this section are behind with their work on account of the bad weather.
Mr. A. B. Richardson is preparing to build a large barn.
Mr. T. P. Whitaker has about finished his job of whitening on Scuttle Ridge. TWO OLD MAIDS.

Items From Greenwood.

Miss Bessie Brinegar spent last Tuesday night and Wednesday with Miss Ella Wyatt.
Mr. Holt Thompson returned from Asheville last Tuesday.
Mrs. Sallie Haneline is some better at this writing.
Rev. S. W. Hall will take charge of this field the first of April.
Mr. J. B. Brinegar made a business trip to Mocksville Saturday.
The public school at this place will close March 8th.
Marrying has struck this community. Two of our most popular young people are to be married very soon. Lack to them.
I think "Buster's Sweetheart" and "Tootsie" have let the wind blow them away.

Mr. J. T. Grubb is suffering with rheumatism.
The wind did a great deal of damage Wednesday night.

MAMA'S PET.

Farmington News.

The roads were getting some better until the sleet and rain of Thursday hit them and now they are as bad as ever. This is what we call group hog weather.
Mr. C. A. Hartman made a business trip to Winston last week.
J. D. Sain has moved his shoe shop into Graham's old store on Main street and is now prepared to do first-class work.
A number of young people attended a party last Wednesday night given by Miss Auburn McClamroch at her home. All report a pleasant time.
Miss Margie Hartman visited friends in Hickory last week.
We hope Mrs. Hiki will soon be able to write us the rest of her courtship for we are anxious to hear it.
Messrs. Hal Bahnson and Clarence Weir have gone to Yadkinville where they have entered into the mercantile business. We wish the young men much success.
Mr. Hoyt Robeson made a business trip to Salisbury last Friday.
What has become of the little Country Girl? We haven't heard from her lately.
Mrs. George B. Nicholson of Statesville is visiting Mr. G. W. Nicholson.
Mr. A. W. West and son left Monday for Iowa. DIXIE.

Items From Boston.

J. M. Ratledge is on the sick list.
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graves was buried at Chestnut Grove last Wednesday, the 21st.
Boston is looking forward to another 'phone line. A meeting was held at Mr. Hendren's store Saturday evening.
While working at Diggins' saw mill Cal Jones got his hand cut right badly.
Miss Delilah Beck is on the sick list. Hope for her a speedy recovery.
There will be preaching at Chestnut Grove the third Saturday night and Sunday. Everybody welcome.
W. R. Retledge made a trip to Winston last week. BOSTON BURGLAR.

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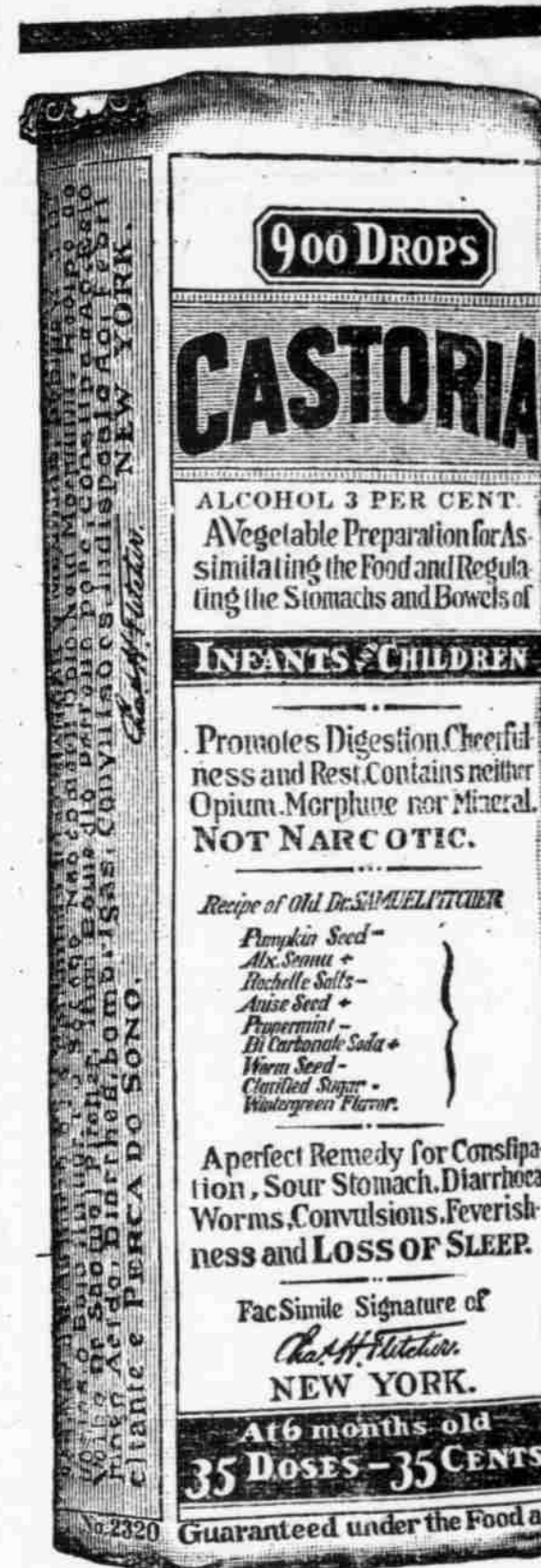
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