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There was a slight frost in Highlands on Wednesday night. Considerable rain fell Sunday and Monday last, with some breeze occasionally, being about the most wind we have noticed this summer.

Mr. W. B. Krimminger, from Barton County, Mo., has rented a house in Highlands, and occupies it with his family. He will engage in stock raising and fruit growing.

The Methodist Episcopal Conference in North Carolina commences on the 1st of October at Gastonia. The Southern Methodist Church, for this section, holds its Conference in East Tennessee.

Charles Frost and Edward Rideout have gone to Florida for the winter.

Mr. Holmes, from E. celsior, Minn., is stopping at Mrs. Davis' boarding house. We understand he will make Highlands his home for some time.

The Asheville Citizen speaks of a sunflower grown in that neighborhood, the head of which measured 12 inches across its face. That is not equal to the one grown in Highlands, which measured 12½ inches. A field of such sunflowers ought to be a profitable crop.

Mr. Edwards, of Whiteside Cove, brought us in some specimens of apples and peaches. The apples are of the Morgan variety and are large and of very fine texture and flavor. The peaches, China cling, are splendid—one measuring 9½ inches in circumference.

At the Literary Society last Friday evening, the musical performances and other exercises were excellent. Miss Ellie Ravenel, of South Carolina, assisted with her fine voice. Officers were elected for the ensuing quarter: C. L. Boynton, President; Frank Sheldon, Vice President; H. P. Kelsey, Secretary; Miss Ivy Symonds, Treasurer.

An interesting meeting of the Temperance Society was held on Tuesday evening. An election of officers took place. C. A. Boynton was elected President; T. B. White, Vice-President and Treasurer; Elias White, Secretary. For the next meeting a debate was fixed upon. Subject: "That the Temperance question should be made a political one."

We learn that a bear was killed last week in Hamburg township. The wolves are said to have moved from Whiteside Cove to near Pine Creek, in Hamburg, where a couple were killed one day last week—a she wolf and a pup.

Visitors and others who come up to Highlands by way of Webster, Sebata or Walhalla, have the same unvarying testimony regarding the efforts of certain interested or unfriendly parties to discourage their ascent of the mountains to Highlands. Wide-awake people pay no regard to them, but pursue the even tenor of their way, and are well pleased when they arrive here, and thoroughly disgusted with the parties who retail to them stereotyped stories, which have no foundation in fact.

CLEAR CREEK CORRESPONDENCE.

CLEAR CREEK, Sep. 24, 1885.

The equinoctial gale passed over Sunday and Monday with moderate showers and gentle breezes, to the delight of those not done saving their fodder, while Jack Frost seems wrapped in the future. This is pleasing to those growing tobacco, and there are some in this locality who have the weed from three to five feet high, and from three to four feet from tip to tip of the top leaves; and it is probable that W. S. Neely and James B. Bryson have some exceeding in size any that we have specified.

This week will about complete the labors of the fodder pullers. Then a long season of rest and rustic pleasures will ensue; and Miss Martha Rice, who

kindly vacated her school this week for the benefit of the fodder pullers, can resume her duties next week with assurance of a full attendance.

The flambeaux of the coon hunters at night look like *ignes fatui*, and the shrill blasts from their horns awake the echoes of these mountain solitudes.

CHEOPS.

OUR CONGRESSMAN.

On a recent occasion, the Hon. T. D. Johnston, Congressional representative from the 9th district, made the following remarks, which we copy from the *Citizen*:

Mr. Johnston spoke of himself and what he had done and proposed to do. He said he had not taken his seat because there had been no session since his term began. But he was very far from being idle. He had been looked upon as all powerful in effecting changes in offices, particularly in the post offices. He thought he had succeeded fairly well. Out of six towns in the district, he had effected changes in all but two. He was putting in Democrats wherever he could do so. That was a party right he was going to exercise, and was not afraid to avow it. But he was interested almost above everything else in increasing mail facilities in Western North Carolina; in opening new routes, establishing new offices, and increasing service on routes already established. The public will bear witness to his fidelity and efficiency in this respect. If he could not find a Democrat for a newly established office, he would recommend a Republican. But his purpose was to increase mail facilities.

He said he had taken a deep interest in the agricultural affairs of his District. He had been active in securing new and valuable varieties of seed, and had the good will and kindly aid of the Department. Among other additions to the stock of valuable seed he had distributed, a rust-proof wheat, believed to be as invulnerable to that worst enemy of the wheat as the rust-proof oats. He had distributed new and valuable varieties of rye, and these, together with the distribution of other seeds, he hoped would prove his earnestness in advancing the real interests of the country. He would prefer to be the real benefactor of the people, rather than the noisy politician. But in all that was required and expected from him he was determined to do his whole duty.

VISITORS IN HIGHLANDS.

ARRIVALS AT HIGHLANDS HOUSE SINCE LAST WEEK.

C. O. Smith, Sheldon, Ill.; J. O. Erwin, Atlanta, Ga.; W. B. Krimminger, Mrs. Sarah A. Krimminger, Mrs. F. C. Conrad, Barton Co., Mo.; G. C. Hanson, Ellicott city, Md.; Mrs. H. M. Thompson and H. Graham Thompson, Oxford, Miss.; W. G. Fritts, Walhalla, S. C.

Meteorological Observations at Highlands for the week ending Sep. 22, '85.
Miss Mary Chapin, Observer.

Date	Temperature	Rel'Ve	Rain-		
		Mean	High't	Low't	
			Ho'y	fall	
Sep. 16	69	82	60	74.3	Clear
17	63.2	78	55	77.5	Clear
18	59.8	74	54	84.5	Fair
19	64.5	70	56	74.2	l.r. Cl'd'y
20	54.2	58	51	100	.80 Rain
21	54.2	56	53	100	1.16 Rain
22	60.8	70	57	80.8	Fair
Week	60.4	82	51	84.5	

BIRTH.

At Highlands, on the 21st inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Butler, of a daughter.

In North Carolina since the new administration began its work, 285 post-office changes have been made—14 of them being Presidential offices, and 271, 4th class offices.

There is no truer saying than that recently made by the Savannah *Morning News*, that "a city is largely gauged by newspapers." Business men; and all citizens desiring the growth of their town, should consider this fact and act accordingly.

The balloon which descended at Monmouth, Ill., Thursday, was to have taken up a bridal couple from an adjoining town, but they objected on account of the strong wind, and George Pfenning took the balloon up. On alighting, some distance off, the balloon, freed of his weight, shot up, taking part of Pfenning's clothes along.

MR. GLADSTONE'S MANIFESTO.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Mr. Gladstone today issued a four-column manifesto to his constituents in Midlothian. The premier invites a comparison of the work of the recent Parliament with that of the Parliament which preceded it, and confidently appeals to the electors for a verdict. He refers to the treaty of Berlin, to the good effects among the natives of the Marquis of Ripon's conciliatory policy in India, and to the settlement of the Russo-Afghan frontier dispute, the credit of which he claims for the liberal party. Mr. Gladstone admits that the liberal government committed an error respecting the occupation of Egypt, but says that it was due to the Marquis of Salisbury's intervention policy. He now favors the entire withdrawal of the British troops from Egypt, and believes that the people approve of the liberal government's refusal to stifle the Transvaal cry for freedom.

England, he says, once free of the Egyptian tangle, will regain her former position in Europe, and will be able to guard the young Eastern nations. He favors a reform of both the House of Lords and the House of Commons, free land and the abolition of primogeniture. He believes that the church is sufficiently strong to survive disestablishment, and states that he is anxious to give Ireland the fullest justice, while at the same time preserving the unity of the empire.

Franklin is to have a weekly newspaper in a few weeks, to be established and conducted by Mr. Christy, formerly of the Athens, Ga., *Watchman*. Mr. C. is an accomplished newspaper man, of extensive experience, who is attracted to the charming town of Franklin by the rapid, general improvement of W. N. Carolina, and the positive assurance of the early completion of the Rabun Gap Railroad to that town.—*Asheville Citizen*.

HIGHLANDS RAILROAD NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Highlands Railroad Company will be held in the parlors of Highlands Hotel on TUESDAY, Oct. 27, 1885, at 3 o'clock p.m.

H. M. BASCOM, Sec'y.

NOTICE:

The County Board of Education of Macon County will hold an adjourned session on the 6th of October, to consider proposed changes in district boundaries. All persons interested in any proposed change, and all who have information bearing on such changes, are requested to be present.

A. D. FARMER, Co. Sup't.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLANDS.

The town taxes are now due. There are bills against the corporation that must be paid, so please come in and pay your taxes by Oct. 1st. We are required by law to add a high rate of interest to taxes not paid in due season.

JAMES RIDEOUT, Collector.

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