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Notice to Owners of Hogs.

Notice is hereby given that after this week the ordinance of the town prohibiting Hogs from running at large will be rigidly acted on. Owners of hogs will therefore govern themselves accordingly. By order of the Town Council. Highlands, Nov. 25, 1885.

Mr. J. W. Walker has moved from Clear Creek to Laurel Creek in Georgia.

\$10,000 for attendance of witnesses is the sum paid out by government at the recent Federal Court sitting at Asheville.

Mrs. Krimminger and family started for their home in Missouri yesterday.

Wednesday last was a cold day—high wind from the north and very light covering of snow. Yesterday, still and pleasant.

Services were held in the Presbyterian Church in Highlands yesterday—Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Pender Jacobs, just below Franklin, fell dead in the house on Tuesday last, supposed from heart disease.

Mr. Cleaveland, sr., left Highlands on Monday morning for his home in Bridgeport, Conn., after a lengthened visit.

Sheriff Allman was up at Highlands yesterday, and was quite pleased with the amount of the taxes paid him. He thinks Highlands township has done well.

Capt. Yeates and party, of the United States Geographical Survey, have struck their tents and will go into winter quarters at Washington.

We learn that a petition is in circulation for the pardon of Henson, but it is not looked upon with much favor by the people of Highlands.

A. M. Parker, the livery man of Sylva, came up on Saturday with a hack load of people. He reports Sylva on a boom, and that it is soon to be the capital of Jackson county. The *Enterprise* is dead, and its subscription list transferred to some other paper.

Mrs. Starritt, accompanied by Miss Le Duc, from Lake Minnetonka, Minn., arrived at Highlands on Saturday last. Mrs. Starritt is an old resident of Highlands, but has been absent about fifteen months. She notices many improvements, and is pleased to get back to the gem of the mountains.

It is said by those who know, that blockade whiskey is far from being the genuine O I C. Moonshiners have learned the tricks of the trade, and have their little adulterating recipes for lowering the cost of manufacture.

ARRIVALS AT THE HIGHLANDS HOUSE.—A. M. Parker, Sylva. Mr. Bell, Atlanta. Mrs. E. M. Starritt, Lake Minnetonka, Minn. J. D. Freeman, Westminster, S. C. A. D. Farmer, Franklin.

The New York *Herald* says we may expect a cold spell of weather to succeed the full moon, and that the full moon is usually followed by a fall of temperature, particularly in November and December. That is very likely to be the case. But how about the Spring months? Probably about that time the full moon will be followed by warmer weather.

The legislature of South Carolina met at Columbia on the 24th inst. in regular session. The *Keowee Courier* of yesterday published the message of the Governor, Hugh S. Thompson, in full. In it he recommends amendments of the present "cumbersome system of assessment and taxation."

The large amount of rainfall, abundance of good springs and creeks, pure air, and mild, even temperature, points out this region around Highlands as the home of the grasses and clover and root crops, and just the place for the raising of sound, hardy horses, and for dairy and sheep farming.

The school year in Macon county will be out on the 30th inst. Most of the schools will have finished their term of four months in about two weeks. The attendance has not been so good as last year, on account of the plentiful crop of corn, abundance of nuts, and somewhat hard times and the want of suitable clothing for the children. By the exertions of our zealous superintendent, the county has now an improved class of teachers—young, wide awake and up to the times.

For some time, no attention has been paid by the authorities to the hogs on the streets of our town, but the owners thereof are now notified that they must keep them at home, as said hogs are fonder of hunting around back yards and penetrating within fences than noseing among the dead leaves of the forest for nuts. Our country friends who own the porcine marauders must not feel aggrieved at this. Hogs are proverbially a nuisance when running loose, and the complaints of citizens are loud and of deep utterance.

A subscriber, a resident of a distant State, wants to know what kind of an animal a *razor back* is, accounts of which wild animal he has read of in the classical communications of CHEOPS. He has heard of 'coons and 'possums, but a *razor back* is beyond his knowledge. We, however, hardly dare hazard a definition, as it may be a Latin term for a very common creature. Perhaps our clever correspondent CHEOPS will enlighten our readers, and not puzzle them so much by hard words.

Mr. Cleaveland, one of the witnesses in the Henson case, at the Federal Court, returned from Asheville on Saturday last, after an enforced absence of three weeks. Henson was sentenced to two years imprisonment. He was the leader of the party in the attack on the Highlands House last winter for the purpose of releasing a couple of moonshiners in the charge of United States officers staying there overnight, when one of the attacking party was shot dead by the officers. Henson, heavily armed with bad whiskey, was taken prisoner in the house, and the rest of the party decamped, and mostly escaped apprehension. The Judge said that if Henson would inform on the party or parties who incited the trouble and were at the back of it, so that they could be brought to justice, there would be grounds for getting up a petition to pardon him or to shorten the term of his imprisonment.

LAUREL CREEK CORRESPONDENCE.

Laurel Creek, Moccasin District, Ga., Nov. 25th, 1885.

We left Clear Creek with regret, as to the time, because Uncle Benson Picklesimer was going to have a joyous entertainment at his corn husking, which was to come off in a couple of days. Besides, there were some little amatory affairs in progress between certain Jacks and Jills, the denouement of which we should have been glad to have witnessed.

At Mr. James Thompson's, on the 21st, there was a ball, graced by festive beaux and belles, who "tripped it on the light, fantastic toe" to inspiring Terpsichorean strains until the "wee small hours" of morning. The tables were laden with a sumptuous repast, and all went "merry as a marriage bell."

Fine crops throughout this section, with fat kine, swine and poultry in plenty, and at moderate prices.

The tub wheel generally prevails in these mountains, but Mr. Jas. Billingsly has erected a new mill house, and is putting in a large overshot wheel. So this mill will be able to grind with dispatch. Travelers and freighters have been inconvenienced by the damage done to the

bridges spanning the Gunloco and Chattooga rivers, on the morning of the 7th inst. by the floods, but all this will soon be remedied, as Dr. Lucas has already had the timbers prepared to, wholly repair all injuries done to them. So in a few days from now travel can resume its course along here with perfect safety. This is the outcome of having a persevering and liberal-minded citizen in the neighborhood.

The village of Pine Mountain is flourishing, and is destined to continue to increase, with its salubrious climate and fertile soil surrounding. While it is a perfectly healthy locality, there is quite a difference in the climate here and at Highlands, which can be readily understood by the difference in altitudes, which is 1,600 feet here against 3,700 feet at Highlands. This difference in altitude, according to a French scientist, would make Spring 28 days earlier, and the Fall 28 days later than with you, as he makes four days difference for each 100 yards in altitude. CHEOPS.

Meteorological Observations at Highlands for the week ending Nov. 24, '85. Miss Mary Chapin, Observer.

Date	Temperature	Rel'v'e	Rain-
	Mean High't Low't	Hu'y	fall
Nov. 18	40.2 48	37 86.3	.07 Rain
19	38.8 47	35 91.3	Cloudy
20	35.5 47	29 75	Fair
21	37.2 48	29 79.8	Clear
22	47.8 51	40 88	.50 Rain
23	30 39	23 100	l. r. Rain
24	24.2 29	22 100	Fair
Week	36.2 51	23 88.6	

FREE TRADE IN SOUTH CAROLINA.—Columbia, Nov. 23.—A call has been issued for a free trade convention to meet in Columbia on the 9th of December. Nearly all the counties are sending delegates, and the gathering of tariff reformers will be large and influential.

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