

Special Notices.

Advertisements will be inserted in this column, and under this head, at 1 cent a word, each insertion.

FOR SALE—A second hand Universal Dictionary—four volumes as good as new. A bargain. A. J. WHISNANT, Rutherfordton, N. C.

FOR SALE at a Bargain—A Laddell Chipper Saw Mill, carriage and lead way. Will be sold at a discount to the right party. Cash or time.—L. C. DAILY, Ellenboro, N. C.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Burt Holland, of Nanito, was in town Monday.

Mr. Addie Young, of Brittain was in the city, Monday.

John Wells, wife and children, of Iron, was in town shopping, Monday.

Charley Biggestaff, of Pea Ridge, was here looking after business Monday.

Miss Mamie Simpson left Tuesday for Spartanburg to attend the May Festival.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives at Henrietta.

J. L. Taylor, of Carpenter, Taylor & Company, went to Lincolnton Saturday, returning Monday.

Miss Mamie Harris spent several days this week with her friend, Miss Mary Lewis Hicks, at Henrietta.

J. G. Simmons, of Henrietta, one of the old stand-by's of THE TRIBUNE, gave this office a pleasant call Monday.

Misses Maggie and Bessie Elliott, the two pretty daughters of J. W. Elliott, of Darlington, were here Friday.

Mr. Charles Solmano, of New York, recently visited the family of his cousin, Mr. Carlo Manfredi, at this place.

Misses Emma Frady and Alice Taylor, two of Otter Creek's prettiest girls gave THE TRIBUNE office a pleasant call Saturday.

Mrs. George W. Logan, of Chimney Rock, spent some days here last week visiting Mrs. L. D. Miller and other friends.

J. M. Walker went to Ellenboro yesterday. He would sell a mow or a reaper while absent if right inducements were offered.

Miss Eliza Gray, of Twitty, and her niece, Mrs. Jos. M. Walker, gave this office a pleasant call Friday. Come again.

F. B. Gaffney, of Henrietta, N. C., was in the city yesterday visiting his mother and other relatives.—Gaffney Ledger, 26th.

Jonas Copeland, the ferryman, is building a new house at Poor's Ford. He don't like his present residence on account of its being too near the river.

J. W. Lane, Lincolnton, N. C., representing the Kenmore Shoe Company, Fredericksburg, Va., was here some days this week in the interest of his company.

Mr. S. Mitchell, of Otter Creek, we are sorry to learn, is suffering in common with many others, from an attack of grippe. It is hoped he will be out in a few days.

John C. Mills was able to be at his office Monday, to the delight of his many friends. He has lost a great deal in flesh during his illness but will soon regain that.

Mr. F. B. Logan, without whom most vehicles would be useless about Chimney Rock, was here Friday dispensing sunlight and cheerfulness. Come again Felix.

Peaches and pears are killed except in special localities. There will be plenty of apples almost everywhere unless something occurs later to destroy them. Let us be thankful.

C. F. Geer, of this place, is very sick at his home on North Main street. He is threatened with pneumonia, but it is hoped that the disease will be checked before assumes a serious form.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Meldona Livingston, of Round Hill Academy at Union Mills, is sick. We hope she will soon be sufficiently recovered to take charge of her classes again.

Mr. Padgett, living near Caroleen was forced to kill one of his best cows one day last week that had been bitten by a mad dog. The cow had already gone mad before the discovery was made.

Miss Docia Goode, daughter of Ned Goode, deceased, is lying critically ill of consumption at her home near the Eaves crossing. No hope is entertained of her recovery. She is a most excellent young lady.

Miss Mattie Withrow, daughter of J. P. D. Withrow, of Hollis, passed through here Friday evening on her way home after a pleasant visit of a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elliott, of Darlington.

Miss Mattie Justice, daughter of Judge M. H. Justice, is at home for the summer after spending about a year at the Stokes sanitarium at Salisbury. Miss Mattie's many friends are delighted to have her back among them.

A. F. Morgan, of Nanito, brought Carl Jay to his home here Tuesday. Jay has just finished putting on the final touches of paint and papering the rooms of Morgan's new and attractive country residence, which presents a fine appearance, with the mountains for a background.

DESTRUCTIVE FOREST FIRES.

Six Unoccupied Houses Burned—Other Valuable Property Barely Saved.

On Tuesday of last week fire was blown into the woods from Ed Morgan's farm, four miles north of town. A brisk wind was blowing and the fire spread at an alarming rate. Saw mill men had recently left hundreds of tree tops in the surrounding woods. The flames feeding on these and the dry leaves and brush, scattered everywhere lapped into the very tops of the trees, leaving many of them smoking ruins. Eye witnesses state they never saw a more terrific sight than the onward march of the flames consuming everything before it. Over a square mile of territory was swept before the fire was stopped, and had not been a hell in the wind late in the afternoon, the damage would have been enormous. As it was no serious losses occurred except the denudation of the forest lands over which the blaze swept. There is scarcely a living tree left in its path. An old school house, and five unoccupied houses on the lands of John Edgerton were all the buildings burned. Mr. Potest's house, a tenant of W. W. Campbell, and a barn full of hay on the same place, were barely saved. The Monarch Gold Mills, where thousands of dollars' worth of unused machinery has been stored away for many years, were almost miraculously saved. The woodlands in the blackened district look as if they had been swept with the besom of destruction.

An Ancient Machine.

We were shown Monday the ancient rollers in which C. Bechtler pressed his gold ingots into plates before stamping out the old Bechtler coins here before the war. It consists of two small iron rollers fixed in an iron frame, the top one of which was lowered by set screws to any depth desired. In this way the thickness of the gold plate was regulated for the \$1.00, \$2.50 and \$5.00 gold coins which were afterward cut from the sheet by dies. It required two men to operate the machine, a crank being attached to the opposite end of each cylinder. The whole was mounted on a bench and is in a remarkable fine state of preservation. It was found by John H. Wood, Esq., in an old garret in the Carpenter-Carrier block where it had been stored away many years ago. A photograph of the machine will be taken and forwarded to Capt. W. E. Hidden, Hiddenite, N. C.

Dentists to Meet.

The next meeting of the Cleveland and Rutherford County Dental Association meets in Shelby May 13, and will be in session one day only. A large attendance is expected and several subjects of importance to the profession will be discussed. There is nothing like getting together, and we are glad to note that not only our dental brethren, but our physicians as well, are meeting and talking over matters of especial interest relative to their professional work. This is the only way by which a proper feeling and a mutual helpfulness can be secured. Nothing but good can ensue to the doctors themselves, and good, and only good, result to those in need of their services.

Accept best wishes of THE TRIBUNE in your laudable work.

Asheville and Rutherfordton Road.

The Asheville Citizen gives the information that the "Illinois Central Railroad is seeking a connection with Asheville" and will combine with the Seaboard Air Line, which will build the short line of forty miles between its present terminus at Rutherfordton and the Mountain Metropolis. We do not know from what present point the Illinois system proposes to start its Asheville connection, but we hope it is true; and as to the Seaboard crossing the mountains we have regarded this as a necessity for a long time and will not be surprised when that pushing and progressive system begins this work.—Raleigh Post, 26th.

Our New Man.

THE TRIBUNE Publishing Company has been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. F. T. Lindsay, a practical printer, whose experience eminently fits him for our present purpose. He knows nothing but printing, but he seems to thoroughly understand that business and will be a great help to our present office force—too great in fact for a new editor who is both secretary and treasurer as well. "More copy" is the constant cry, and our three types are getting about all they want.

Lightning's Strange Freak.

Tuesday morning about four o'clock a terrific electric shock awoke the sleepers all over town. In the morning it was discovered that the upright front of the J. H. Callahan wood shop had been struck, the bolt entering at the top and splitting two planks, was set just where a bucket of water was being agitated against the wall. It was probably dissipated among the steel boxes, thimbles and other fixtures about the front entrance to the shop. Did the bucket of water stop it?

The Rutherfordton Delegation.

The following is a list of delegates who attended the Republican Congressional convention at Hendersonville last week: Hon. G. B. Pruett, R. C. Turner, J. Q. A. Michal, C. W. Melton, M. F. Hopper, Ed Keeter, N. B. McBrayer, J. V. McFarland, C. D. Geer, C. E. Hill, Vance Scoggin, J. W. Metcalf, J. F. Logan, L. Logan, J. A. Logan, George Hill and L. S. Keeter.

First of the Season. Charley E. Hill, of this place, was the first to bring a sample of his ripe strawberries to this office Tuesday morning last. If they are all like the sample on exhibition here they are exceedingly large and must be of excellent flavor. Charley generally leads in strawberries, and this year is not an exception.

ANOTHER BOY WOUNDED.

Accidental Discharge of Gun Seriously Disfigures Boy at Myrtle.

Monday a son of Mr. G. W. Green, of Myrtle, in trying to fire his gun found that it only snapped. Breaking the gun immediately to see what was wrong he noticed that the cartridge was smoking and made an effort to throw the gun aside but he was too late. The cartridge exploded throwing the powder and parts of the shell into his face inflicting a very ugly and painful wound. Dr. Thompson was immediately called and after dressing the wound says that it will greatly disfigure the young man's face, but does not anticipate any fatal result. This is the fourth accident of this sort that has occurred in this and Rutherford county in less than a month, only one of which has proved fatal so far. We would proceed to deliver a lecture on the careless handling of firearms but there are at least a thousand boys and as many young men who would say it is none of our business. Let these have the benefit of their opinions; but there is a hereafter boys.

Willie P. Elliott Dead. Willie P. Elliott, of Darlington, whose illness has frequently been mentioned in THE TRIBUNE is dead. It has been possibly six months since he was attacked with jaundice. Medical attention was called but nothing could be done except to hinder, not to stop the virulence of the malady. He made a long and hard struggle for life but the man with the scythe came last at 3 o'clock on Sunday morning and cut the struggle ended and Elliott now sleeps in peace that sleep that knows no waking. He married Miss Sallie Grant. She and an only son survive him. He was a consistent member of Pleasant Grove Baptist church, where he was buried on Monday, his pastor, Rev. H. D. Harrill, conducting the services.

We tender our sympathies to the family and bid them to look through their sadness to the surcease of suffering and an inheritance of life eternal.

Rutherford Boy Honored.

It will be remembered that Wash Hill, son of M. D. Hill, won a gold medal in writing some weeks ago at the Central Industrial Institute, at Columbus, Rev. W. M. Whiteside, principal. At the close of the winter term, April 22nd, he was awarded the declaimers gold medal. Two gold medals during the same school term is an honor, so far as we know, that no other Rutherford boy can claim and is a matter for congratulation that we are wanting in words to express. The next thing you know he will be the possessor of another gold medal in music. Just about as well let Wash alone. He has gone so far that you cannot hinder him now.

Quarterly Meeting.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Morganton District was held at New Hope church in Polk county last Saturday and Sunday. The presiding elder, Rev. J. H. West, was the speaker and did some fine preaching on Sunday. It was held in connection with a missionary meeting which began on Friday. Rev. W. H. Perry is pastor of this church, which belongs to the Green River circuit. The people were lavish in the entertainment of visitors. Delegates were elected as follows: Wm. Mills, R. C. Prince, J. T. Waldward and P. G. Womack. These will represent the Green River circuit at district conference to be held in Morganton beginning May 26.

Building a Nice Residence.

J. D. Fincannon, Esq., of Union Mills, was a pleasant call at this office Monday and did not forget to leave an order for THE TRIBUNE. He is one of the most successful farmers in that community. He is building a nine room house just across the road from the old Gilkey residence which is well known to most every one who travels in the northern part of the county. He expects to cover his building with steel roofing, and otherwise make it an ornament to that section. Such men as Mr. Fincannon are a help to any town and Union Mills is fortunate in having him so closely identified with her interests.

Mr. Kizer Thrown From a Mule.

Julius J. Kizer, of Green Hill, was thrown from his mule and painfully hurt. In the fall the back of his head struck the ground with great force and fears were entertained that concussion of the brain would result, but by keeping him very quiet for some days no danger from this cause is likely to result. Dr. E. B. Harris was immediately summoned and has been watching his symptoms very closely. No permanent injury will result.

Only Two Days More.

One hundred and ten voters in Rutherfordton, Green Hill, Union and Sulphur Springs townships have not paid their poll taxes for 1903. The proportion is probably as large in the other nine townships of the county. Only two more days in which to retain the right to vote in November. See your collector this week. Next week will not do.

McDowell Heard From.

At the McDowell county convention held in Marion Monday the vote stood for Congress: Gudger, 19; Gallert, 3; Merriman 1. Judge Justice will get the solid vote of the county for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. For Governor: Davidson, 6; Glenn, 1; Steadman 1; Turner, 1.

Wreck on Seaboard.

The Seaboard freight train going west was accidentally uncoupled near Mount Holly, and the rear cars ran into the front with such a jar as to painfully injure Flagman John Love who was thrown down in the cab with such force that he was much bruised. No other damage done.

Democrats to Hold Precinct Meeting Saturday—Personal.

Correspondence of THE TRIBUNE. HENRIETTA, April 27.—The cold wave that was billed by Uncle Sam's weather maker for western North Carolina for last week arrived on schedule time and seems to have stayed overtime, as it frosted several nights and the mercury hovered about 32 for some time. The farmers report that what fruit was left after the freeze a few weeks ago was killed by the recent cold snap. They claim it to be a very remarkably cold and late spring.

Messrs. J. O. Bell, J. G. Simmons, A. B. McAllister, T. J. Wilkins and J. M. Allhands, are still deploring the loss of their early string beans, tomatoes, and other vegetables by the recent freeze, which they expected to have before anybody else this spring. Resolutions of sympathy for them are in order.

Miss Carrie Callahan who has been at the point of death for several days, is much improved, and hopes for her recovery are entertained by her friends. Judge M. H. Justice, of Rutherfordton, was in town Thursday shaking hands with his many friends.

Walter Crawford was up before Esq. F. L. Baber last Thursday, for disturbing public worship recently at Caroleen. He was fined \$5 and costs. T. J. Digby, formerly of this place, and superintendent of the cotton mills, but now of Easy, S. C., is visiting friends here.

Miss Mamie Harris, the handsome and accomplished daughter of Dr. E. Harris, of Rutherfordton, is spending a few days with Miss Mary Louise Hicks. Miss Ida Wood, who has been attending school at Rutherfordton during the past year, returned home Saturday. Miss Clara Lee, who has been spending a week with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Beason, of Charlotte, arrived home yesterday.

Mr. M. K. Whittaker, who has spent two weeks in Charlotte, in the insurance business, arrived home yesterday. Mr. J. C. Carpenter went to Spartanburg, Sunday, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Kerr, who is very ill. The Democrats will hold a meeting in Henrietta, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention and voting on the question of a primary. If you do not pay your taxes before Saturday night you will not get to vote in November.

G. F. Turner, of Cherokee, S. C., visited his brother and family, of this place, Saturday and Sunday.

EARLY VEGETABLES KILLED.

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Mr. Millard Harris and wife and Mrs. Archie Wilkerson, were visiting at the home of Mr. Lige Frady, the latter's parents, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Geer, Honly Higgins, of Gilkey, and Miss Emma Frady, of Cedar Creek, were welcome visitors at J. C. Taylors last Friday. The remains of Myrtle, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Harris were interred at the Cove cemetery on the 22nd instant. We deeply sympathize with the bereft parents.

Mrs. Mary Wilkerson, an aged lady of this community, has been very sick for the past few weeks.

Glad to have with us at Sunday school last Sunday, Mrs. A. F. Geer who is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity. We have a thriving Sunday school since the new organization.

J. C. Taylor was called to Frog Level on the 25th instant, to see his niece, Miss Dossie Goode, at Frog Level, who is very ill.

Mrs. Arthur Nichols says he will always remember the "girls" for sending him so many April fools in 1904.

Mr. George Searcy, of Gage, was a welcome visitor in our vicinity last Sunday. The ladies, of course, were delighted to see him as he is a very handsome young man.

It is rumored that W. G. Harris will have a fine new dwelling erected near the White House at an early date.

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Some of the young people are anticipating a trip to Bill's Creek next Sunday. Quite a number of our people went to Pleasant Grove Sunday. They report a pleasant trip and that a good sermon was preached by Rev. Neal of Old Fort.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Flora Crawford, of Old Fort, is in a serious condition. She was formerly a resident of Montfords Cove.

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Mr. A. B. Jones is erecting a new store building. The people are all nearly through planting in this section.

Committed to Jail.

Will Tate, a young white man, charged with larceny, was brought here by Deputy Sheriff A. B. Flack, of Forest City, yesterday. At the preliminary hearing before O. C. Erwin, Esq., Tate plead guilty, and in default of \$100.00 bond, was committed to jail to await trial at the next criminal term of court here to be held in November.

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THE EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY.

Odd Fellows in Council—Rev. H. H. Jordan the Speaker.

Correspondence of THE TRIBUNE. HENRIETTA, April 25.—The meetings at this place and at Caroleen, on Saturday and Sunday celebrating the 86th anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, were one grand and harmonious success. The weather was fine, the addresses and sermons inspiring and large audiences greeted the speakers. Everything planned by the programme committee was carried out to the letter. On Saturday evening at eight o'clock the large hall was filled to overflowing with the members of the lodges from Ellenboro, Forest City, Henrietta, and Caroleen and their friends, eager for, as they had every reason to expect, some excellent addresses. Mr. W. W. Poole was master of ceremonies. Invocation was offered by Rev. J. B. Carpenter, of Rutherfordton; Rev. N. R. Richardson made the welcome address; Rev. Hedgepath, of Forest City, and C. L. Dowell, of this place, made preliminary addresses. Rev. H. H. Jordan, of Walkerton, N. C., former pastor of the Methodist church of Henrietta and Caroleen, during the two years of 1901-02, was the speaker of the evening and he did not disappoint his expectant friends, as he held the rapt attention of the large audience for an hour.

The large new hall at this place was well filled by an eager crowd yesterday morning long before the appointed hour for services to begin. About 150 Odd Fellows took part in the street parade. Promptly at 11 o'clock they entered the hall and occupied the seats reserved for them.

Mr. John W. Daniel, of this place, was master of ceremonies. After the choir sang the Odd Fellows' ode, invocation was offered by Rev. T. C. Harris; welcome address, Rev. N. R. Richardson; address by Mr. John E. Green, followed by Rev. H. H. Jordan with the anniversary sermon on the cardinal principles of Odd Fellowship. The theme of his discourse was "The Love of God, the Fellowship of man," basing his remarks upon the two great commands; Matthew, 22: 37-39. His entire address of an hour was a soul-stirring discourse which will leave its lasting mark for unlimited good upon the hearts of the audience.

Interest seems to have centered on Rev. Jordan, as he was given a most demonstrative ovation in the way of hand-shaking at the close of each meeting. He possesses that magic power of winning the people's esteem and affection such as few have. He is indeed a minister of marked and rare ability, and we venture the statement that he is one of the ablest speakers of North Carolina, and sorry the day when Henrietta and Caroleen lost his services. It is agreed by many that Rev. H. H. Jordan's sermon in the hall Sunday morning to between 800 and 1000 people was the best discourse ever rendered in Henrietta.

His sermon to a crowded house at this Methodist church at Caroleen Sunday evening at 8 o'clock was a very deep and studied one, followed by the same demonstration of affection for their former pastor. The choir which rendered such valuable assistance and contributed so materially to the success of the celebration, whose names time and space will not allow us to give, also deserves honorable mention. Every one is loud in praise of the success of the celebration, even to the minutest details, which speaks well for the order of Odd Fellows at this place and those of the other localities who took part in the celebration.

Cleveland County Locals. Ladshaw & Ladshaw, engineers, who have been surveying water powers on Main Broad River and Sandy Run, near Settlemeyers Mills. We learn that one of the shoals will be developed at an early date and the power transmitted to a new mill to be erected between Henrietta and Caroleen. We hope parties having this enterprise in hand will decide to erect their mill near the shoals, in Cleveland county.

Clair L. Miller, a prominent young mill man of Clifton, is visiting his parents here this week.

Mrs. Clyde B. Hoy left Saturday for Forest City where she goes to attend the Young-Wilkie marriage which takes place to-morrow.

The Millville school district in Rutherford county has declared for a local tax for schools by a vote of 87 to 1.

Mr. Arthur Turner, and Miss Laura Rollins, of Ellenboro, were happily married last Sunday, Rev. J. M. Bridges officiating.—Cleveland Star, 27th.

Mr. Harrill's Invention. Shelby is justly proud of her worthy son, Mr. Joe Harrill, who seems to have started out on a career of great usefulness to humanity in his invention of a device which will stop the slaughter of human beings on railroad trains. His father, Mr