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HASTINGS-KELLY.

A very quiet and impressive wedding was solemnized, at the home of the bride at Dillsboro, Thursday afternoon January 23, at 3:00 o'clock, when Miss Mattie Lucy Hastings became the bride of Mr. R. O. Kelley. Only the family of the bride and a few close friends were present, among whom were Capt. and Mrs. W. A. Enloe, Mr. S. W. Enloe, Miss Mary Alice Fisher, Miss Effie McDade, Miss Florence Copening, Mrs. C. H. Neal and Mr. E. B. McDade. The bride was dressed in a beautiful brown traveling suit and carried a bouquet of carnations. Rev. C. H. Neal performed the ceremony.

Miss Hastings is the attractive and attractive daughter of Mr. Thos. H. Hastings, of Dillsboro. The groom is a prominent Lumberman and is well and favorably known throughout Western Carolina. The young couple left immediately for the east.

REVENUE HEADQUARTER

Murphy is to be headquarters, for revenue officers that will work Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon Jackson and Swain counties from this point. The officers stationed here or deputy collector W. A. Jolly, Deputy collector T. D. Shelton and U. S. Deputy Marshal J. J. McDonald. There is said to be much work to be done in this section and Murphy is the best point from which to do the work, hence the selection of this point over others.—Scout.

MUST SERVE SENTENCE

The Supreme Court held that Charles R. Hicks, former president of the American Sugar Refining Co., must serve his sentence of 8 months in jail and pay the fine of \$5000 imposed upon him by the lower court for his participation in the sugar weighing conspiracy to defraud the government.

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CHILD'S BODY FOUND NEAR HIGHLANDS.

The distressing circumstances attending the death of the five year old motherless son of Mr. John R. Owen, of Pine Mountain, Ga., has attracted widespread attention.

As many mistaken and some cruel rumors have been circulated concerning the case, we, the near and life-long neighbors of Mr. Owen have thought best to send you this statement, that the friends and relatives may know the facts.

The child was lost on December 24th, 1912, when he went about 200 yards from his home just outside of the cultivated field with a brother of six years and an uncle of eight, to play and drive up the cows late in the afternoon.

About 4:30, p. m., the two older children came with the cows and went back to play. About 5 p. m. they were called to supper, and the family now saw that little Leroy was not with them. The older children on being questioned said that when they were bringing the cows, Leroy would not cross the branch outside the field, that he wanted them to put a log for him so that he would not wet his feet. They told him to go to another place where he could cross on a log and that he refused, saying with childish petulance that he was going to Grandma Davis', a great aunt who lives about a mile from Mr. Owen, on the north. Neither of the families live on the public road which lies about half way between the two places, plain trails from each place going direct to the public road. Previous to this Leroy had twice tried to run away to Mrs. Davis and knew the way. As soon as the older children had told their story Mr. Owen hurried to Mr. Reuben Davis' and found to his consternation that the child had not been there. Going back to where the older children had last seen the lost child, he searched in the opposite direction, the whole family joining in the search. Finding no trace of the lost boy, messages were sent around the neighborhood requesting assistance. It was a bright, moonlight night and about thirty-five men and women searched through the night. The next day fully one hundred people joined in the search through the almost impassable rocky, mountainous, woods, which are in many places greatly obstructed because of dense thickets and the tops-logs and brush, the result of the extensive lumbering operations of the "Three States Lumber Co." a few years back, much brush with briars and vines having grown up among the refuse of the lumbering.

The third day of the search, at least one hundred and fifty persons were engaged in same, some coming from as far as twenty miles away and from three states—North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. For seven days the large force of men worked faithfully, with no result. Then many gave up despairingly; but the family and immediate neighbors still kept up the search. A reward was offered, but with little hope; and indeed no reward could have got more ready active assistance than was given by the public, their reward in this respect having perhaps never been equaled in the history of mountain philanthropy.

On January 13, 1912, Arthur Owen, a sixteen year old boy, and a

FATHER AND SON ACQUITTED.

The case of R. A. Owenby and Lee Owenby, father and son, charged with shooting Pietro Fiscoletti, which was continued from January 11th to the 20th, was taken up Monday morning before Squire D. W. Dewese for a further hearing. It will be remembered that this case was continued until that time, pending the condition of the Italian the Owenbys each giving a \$1,000 bond. Witherspoon and Witherspoon and J. H. McCall represented the Owenbys at the hearing, and they relied upon the States' witnesses to make out their case. After hearing all the evidence, that could be secured, Squire Dewese decided that the father and son were justified in doing what they did and ordered the defendants turned loose. The evidence showed that the Italian had written letters threatening the life of Mr. Owenby and his daughter; that he also made threats here and along the road on his way to Owenby's house; it was further shown that Mr. Owenby had used every effort possible to keep the Italian away from his house and off his premises; that he paid no attention to warnings given him along the road. Quite a crowd was in the court house and heard the trial. It is said that the Italian is getting along nicely and his recovery is assured.—Scout.

cousin of the lost boy, who following his dog tracking a coon in a spot which had been searched around over and over again on account of high cliffs, rocks briars and brush. Arthur went in an opposite direction from the one taken by the searchers, going towards the Owen home, instead of from it. He found the body of the child which was lying party submerged in the mouth of a small stream known as the J. M. Burrell Branch, near the west fork of the Chattooga River and about two and a half miles from his home in a southwesterly direction. His head was out of the water. His hat was lying about twelve feet away at the foot of a cliff fifty or more feet in height. Some of the men who came later climbed this cliff with great difficulty, finding what seemed conclusive evidence that the little fellow had fallen from it. There were scratches on the child's body which were probably caused by the fall, otherwise it was well preserved.

We were among the first called to the search and were with the few who saw the child before he was removed from where he was found.

We will note that Mr. Owen's deceased wife, who died about two years ago, was the grand daughter of Mr. Horatio Ford, her maiden name being Grady Ford. She had relatives in Jackson county, N. C. The John Owen of this narrative is a near relative of Rev. John Owen of Jackson county, N. C.

Signed:
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T. W. SMITH, Pine Mountain, Ga.
JOHN A. NIP, Pine Mountain, Ga.

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HENDERSONVILLE LIANS INDICTED

A Hendersonville dispatch to the Asheville Citizen, dated January 27, tells of the indictment before U. S. Commissioner, G. H. Valentine of four prominent merchants of that city: A. H. Hawkins, M. M. Shephard, F. E. Tipton and A. C. Morris, charged with an alleged violation of the United States law forbidding the mailing of matter in which prizes are offered subject to games of chance or drawings.

It seems that the game was to give a ticket containing a number with every purchase or payment on accounts and the merchants retained a duplicate ticket, it being the intention of the manipulators to draw from these the winner of the prize.

The men were held under \$200 bond each for their appearance at preliminary hearing to be held January 31.

A LETTER FROM WENATCHEE WASH

I have been thinking for some time I would write a letter to the Journal in fact ever since I read the account of the Great Northern Railroad exhibit at the Jackson Co. fair. I know the fruits and etc. were fine for I live in what is said to be the finest fruit section in the United States, the Wenatchee Valley, I have seen apples weighing over two pounds, but the fine fruit is not all of it; and when I get through dear readers you will say so too. In the first place, the leading attorneys of Chelan Co., and most all the great Wenatchee Valley is in Chelan Co., say that better than nine tenths of this of the ranches including 5 and 10 acre ranches are mortgaged heavily. I want to tell you that men come here from the East and South with \$2,000 to \$4,000 and it dont go very far in buying 5 or 10 acres of bearing orchard especially apple orchard when it sells at from \$1,000 to \$3,000 per acre and I have known some to sell as high as \$5,000 per acre. Well some men make as high as \$1,000 per acre from their apples, but the majority run from \$100 to \$300 and when you figure the cost of growing and high cost of living which is double what it is in the South and interest on you investment you havn't any left.

will tell you something of the cost of growing, first you have to prune every year that costs from \$2.50 to \$4.00 per day for that and then you must spray twice or three times which will cost at least \$15.00 per acre and some times more, and lots of years in fact most years you have to thin your fruit that will cost \$5; or \$10 an acre and you pay 3 and 4 cents for picking per box and 6 and 7 cents for packing, your boxes costs 10 to 12 cents each, your wrapping paper costs about \$3 per 100 boxes and then there are some extras. Your food and clothes costs almost as high again here as there and winters are colder and you have to have warmer clothes your fuel is high, Coal 8 to 10 dollars a ton and wood is 9 dollars a cord. Your taxes on 5 acres full bearing orchards will be 40 to 60 dollars and you pay eight per cent interest on your debt so you can see where you get off buying orchard lands and the wheat lands dont pay much, I'm told most of the wheat ranches are mortgaged. Our Southern people who have good homes dont know how well they

SUNDAY FIGHT.

The quietude of last Sunday afternoon was broken by a disturbance near the post office. The parties engaged in the fight were Jesse Bartlett and Albert Campbell. It seems that Bartlett objected to a statement made some time ago by Campbell in the Mayor's court. Sunday afternoon they met for the first time near the post office, but just what passed between them is not known. However, Bartlett struck Campbell a terrific blow on the side of the face, knocking him down and breaking his jaw bone and loosening many of his teeth. He also struck Campbell the second time, the latter being too badly hurt to offer any resistance. Drs. Meroney and Heighway attended the wounded man, who was carried into Parker's drug store and later moved to his home in East Murphy. It is said his condition is serious. Bartlett is a flagman on the L. & N. his home being at Copperhill. Campbell moved here last fall from near Kinsey. Mayor Dewese put Bartlett under a \$200 bond for his appearance at the trial tomorrow (Saturday), which he made—Cherokee Scout.

are fixed to live until they sell out and take a long move and buy some of the high priced western lands, you can't buy raw lands with water right for less than \$350,00 per acre. Now I want to tell of some of the good laws we have here and North Carolina can just as well have them. One is the compulsory school law all children between 8 and 15 are compelled to go to school 8 months each year or a full school year which here is 8 to 10 months, while I'm proud of the progress North Carolina has made and is still making along the lines of education, yet if she had compulsory education her rural districts would greatly benefit by it. And another good law we have here that North Carolina with many other states need is the Australian Ballot law. I saw it in working force for the first time this fall and it certainly is a long step in the right direction. Another is the Equal Suffrage, I'm aware that most Southerners are pretty conservative on this question but if they could see womans suffrage in force once most of them would turn over the other way. I've heard it argued that the good women would stay away from the polls while the loud women would go and vote and this makes politics more corrupt, but here the reverse is the rule our best women go and vote and this make politics purer the local option vote in Wenatchee was three to one against whiskey where before it was very close. I can say I was on the polling grounds two or three hours and never heard an oath sworn while the ladies were present. One good thing I can say for this part of Wash., I have not seen more than two or three men drunk enough to tell it on them, since I have been here and I have been here two years and 6 months, we are hoping for State wide prohibition soon. Wishing the Journal and all its readers great success.
W. A. McLaughlin.

An official birth record is the best proof of legitimacy, of the right to inherit, and of the right for schooling, for work, for voting, and for marriage.