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LIGHTNING STRIKES SCHOOL HOUSE

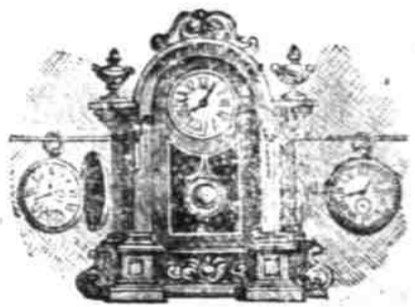
Killing Two, Injuring Others. Building Demolished

Shortoff, N. C. July 22.
Miss Ella Wright and Mrs. Turner of this place were instantly killed and Mrs. Taylor Norton Mrs. Jule Phillips and Mrs. Galloway were seriously injured and a number of others were shocked when a stroke of lightning completely demolished the Shortoff school house Sunday.

A congregation had gathered in the school house for the Sunday morning preaching service when the stroke of lightning came killing two people and injuring nearly every one in the building.

The school house was so badly damaged that it cannot be repaired. It is believed that all those who were not killed outright will recover although the three who were seriously injured are still in a critical condition.

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While Mr. Alley has moved to Waynesville, he will continue to take active part in the practice of law at Webster.

GREAT CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC AT BIBLE CONFERENCE—YOU MUST NOT MISS IT

"The man that hath no music in himself, Nor is not moved with concord of sweet sounds, Is fit for treason, stratagem and spoils, The motions of his spirit are dull as night, And his affections dark as Erebus; Let no such man be trusted."

The divinest gift of God to the world is music. Art, poetry, oratory, supernal though they be, are not to be compared to music. It not only "hath its charms to sooth the savage breast," but to thrill the being of beasts and birds.

Horses have been known to evince profound appreciation of martial music; the dog will howl and bark at the charming notes of the piano, and even pigs have been seen to roll on the ground at the thrilling rattle of the drum.

Music must have been the Creator's gracious after-thought, to please the ear and cheer the soul of animate nature.

Music belongs to another world and a happier.

Not demons but angels sing.

The devil, in music, is a plagiarist and a paraphraser. He never wrote a line of poetry or set one to music, but he has trailed many a beautiful tune in the mire and has ruined the fair name of many a fine instrument.

Hating the "concord of sweet sounds," as he hates everything that is beautiful and true, the Old Boy has tried his level best to appropriate this beautiful thing, called music, as a sort of emigrant solicitor for his own dominions. And the Christian religion is the only earthly agent by which this wily prostitution can be defeated or even frustrated.

Sacred music cannot be redeemed by "rag-time"

The sable gentleman sporting the grusome horns and the grusome tail has presided over "rag time" and "two-step" performances so long that he is relieved of patent rights obligation.

And the only method by which sacred music may be recovered to the world is by the reinstatement of the gospel hymns and tunes of the fathers. The recalling from the spirit world, as it were, the evangelical hymns of men like the Wesleys, Watts, Richard Baxter, Toplady, John Newton, and many others, and set to the original tunes all of which were divinely inspired and not one of which was ever meant to be revised by some worldly musical novitiate.

NEW JEWELRY STORE.

J. W. Keener is erecting a building on his lot between his store room and the Hooper Drug Company's building, which when completed will be occupied by John A. Parris, who will continue in his business as watch tinker and will keep a line of jewelry. Mr. Parris has been in this business in Sylva for some time and when he moves into his new quarters will operate much more extensively.

Those desiring free college scholarships should read advertisement of Western N. C. Fair Ass'n in next week's paper.

For myself for the use of the house of God by the great congregations I would't swap Toplady's "Rock of Ages" or Cowper's "Fountain Filled with Blood" as sung to the old, old tunes, to my then unpolluted childish spirit, by men and women most of whom have now passed to the other shore, for all the stuff, called up-to-date music, that you could cram in a hundred reconstruction carpet-bags.

The wildness with its fountains and streams would be intolerable without the carol of the birds. The home would be a veritable charnel-house without some kind of music. Armies would be stripped of half the glamour of their glory without music—for war is a glamour and a fraud at best. "Our friends are sustained and soothed" by song in the valley of the shadow, but sacred music is to the church what the soul is to the body.

Men do not worship with the zeal, the enthusiasm, the oneness of spirit and the unction they seemed to when I was a child, in these mountains; and I honestly believe that one of the ground-sill reasons is that "all the people" have almost quite ceased to sing. The people have from some reason (think the reason out) turned this exalted part of the divine worship over to the "organ" and a few kindly and obliging young folks in the corner of the church.

The ten days and nights of the Bible Conference will witness some of the grandest congregational singing of the old time gospel hymns that ever disturbed the stillness of these mountain solitudes. This music, like the gospel which it gladdens and glorifies, is without money and without price. Dr. Ridley of Atlanta, writes me that "Prof. Geo. K. Sims of Alabama, a fine singer, will lead the old-time gospel songs." COME! Bring your gospel song books with you.

Truly,
JAS. H. CATHEY.

COURT HOUSE WORK BEGINS

The work of constructing a well graded street to the site upon which the new Jackson County Court House and Jail are to be erected commenced Monday morning, and will be completed in the next few days.

The Court House building committee at a meeting held in Sylva last week let the contract for the building of the new court house and jail to Mr. Chas. J. Harris for the sum of \$30,000, he being the lowest bidder who furnishing the prerequisites required of bidders. There were a number of bids ranging from \$20,000 to \$39,000.

As soon as the street can be finished sufficiently to be used, material will be placed on the ground and the work on the building will begin. It is believed that they will be ready for occupancy not later than in time for the opening of the February (1914) term of the superior court.

A number of the visitors to Sylva have remarked upon the natural beauty of the site selected for the county buildings and upon its adaptability to developing.

HOW TO MAKE BIBLE CONFERENCE SUCCESS

1. Attend, you will get a blessing and make the Conference a blessing to others by attending.
2. Get others to attend. Let preachers and Christian workers talk to their friends and neighbors about it.
3. Come to stay until the last hymn is sung. Many will never have an opportunity to put in ten days to better advantage.
4. Pray for the Conference. This is to be a Bible Conference and should be keyed to earnest prayer.
5. Bring your Bible along. Come prepared to do a little studying. As we dip into the word we will rise high—no doubt to the shouting point. But we are not going to take it all out in feeling. When the Conference is over we should know more Bible than we did before. If you are satisfied with your knowledge of the Bible stay at home.
6. Bring a pencil and note book along. I have learned to make notes of good things I hear—in this way I have learned many things.
7. Brother, sister, friend make up your mind to see this Conference through. Get a good start by joining in the first hymn that is sung.

I want to shake hands with my brethren from all over those mountains. Many of them can't teach me. God knows I would gladly sit at their feet. By spending some days together, we all perhaps will get some more light from the word of God.
George N. Cowan.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The old soldiers and sons and daughters of the Confederacy will meet at Cullowhee N. C. on the 22nd and 23rd of August for the purpose of electing officers and paying dues.

Will secure some speakers for the occasion and have dinner on the ground Saturday.

TEACHERS FOR SYLVA HIGH SCHOOL

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Sylva High School held recently the following faculty was elected: principal, W. T. Brothers; assistant principal, G. Taylor Hampton; first grade, Miss Inez Cathey; second grade, Miss Inez Weaver; third grade, Miss Gertrude Wilson; fourth and fifth grades, Miss Bertha May Henson.

Mr. Brothers is a graduate of Trinity College and has had four very successful years in school work in Central Carolina and comes to us highly recommended as an instructor and disciplinarian. Mr. Hampton is well known in Jackson county and especially in Sylva as an instructor of marked ability, he having taught for a number of years in the county and in Sylva last year, where he gave entire satisfaction and won for himself a host of friends both among the pupils and patrons of the school. Miss Henson has been connected with the Sylva school for four years and has been very successful in her work as is attested by her re-election from year to year. Miss Inez Cathey has been prominent in school work in the county and was re-elected to the position she held last year as teacher of the first grade, she having made the work of instructing the little tots her specialty. Miss Weaver's first year in teaching was at Sylva last year where she showed her natural talent for teaching by the manner in which she handled the work of the advanced first and first half of the second grades. Miss Wilson has taught for several years in the schools of this and other counties of the state and comes to us with high recommendations.

Taking them as a whole this is an excellent corps of teachers and we bespeak them a most successful year.

Good For 25 Votes

In the Journal Contest

Cut out and properly fill out and send in before Sept 1st, 1913.

Name

Address

This coupon is not good after September 1st,

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I take this opportunity to announce to my friends that I will hereafter be permanently located at Cullowhee, N. C., where I will devote my entire time to the practice of medicine and surgery.
Edmund J. Bryson.

If you are a housewife you can not reasonably hope to be healthy or beautiful by washing dishes, sweeping and doing housework all day, and crawling into bed dead tired at night. You must get out into the open air and sunlight. If you do this every day and keep your stomach and bowels in good order by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed, you should become both healthy and beautiful.
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