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Local News.

Schedule changed. Be on time.

The editor is in Waynesville this week.

Sewing machines for rent at Field Brothers.

Local rains on Tuesday. Plenty of water fell.

Services in the Reformed Church Sunday by Dr. Ingold.

Mr. Samuel Crowell has a position in the store of Mr. F. B. Alexander.

You can find "just your size," at Royster & Martin's, Hickory, N. C.

Mrs. M. L. Cobb, wife of Rev. N. B. Cobb, died at Lilesville March 28.

Boys' \$1.00 suits at Royster & Martin's clothing store, Hickory, N. C.

A large assortment of canes and walking sticks at at Royster & Martin's.

Mrs. O. M. Royster, has returned from a visit to the eastern part of the State.

All the new styles in "Cheviot Suits" at the White Front clothing store, Hickory, N. C.

Uncle Dave Conly, an old colored man, died in Hickory Sunday. He was nearly 100 years old.

Elegant Novelties for spring and summer at the White Front clothing store, Hickory, N. C.

A slight change in the C. & L. schedule this week. Take due notice thereof and don't get left.

Dr. B. F. Peeples and wife, of Blackville, South Carolina, are visiting their son, Dr. D. L. Peeples.

Don't forget the township convention Saturday. It is your duty to attend and may serve you good in future.

Field Brothers are preparing to erect a brick building between their store and that of Rowland & Barringer's.

There was for a time much apprehension about the peach crop, but the country people say there are plenty left.

Mr. Lee Latta and family, of Chester, South Carolina, have been visiting relatives and friends in Hickory the past week.

The Lincolnton Hotel has changed proprietors, but continues to set one of the best tables in the country and is liberally patronized.

The time has come when the small boy leaves off his shoes, and knocks the cap off several toes as an excuse to still leave off the shoes and not go to church.

Connelly Springs, going west, and Round Knot, going east, are dinner houses that hungry passengers delight to reach. They always go away satisfied.

A subscriber who don't want to be counted superstitious said our Irish-potato-rheumatism man ought to be killed, and on a little cross-examination confessed that he had a buck-eye in his pocket.

The White Front clothing store will "present" to the successful "candidate" in our coming "town election," a handsome "walking stick," selected from Royster & Martin's "unique" styles, which can be used for a "gavel."

"Clergymen" suits in light and heavy weight at Royster & Martin's, Hickory, N. C.

Mr. J. D. Elliott and his brother, formerly residents of Hickory, have returned to live among us and follow the business of contractors and builders under the name of Elliott & Elliott.

"Oh, the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra la," are returning to dispel the gloom of winter. Her many friends are glad to welcome the fairest *Lilly* that blooms, who returned last Friday night after an extended visit to the east.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, the able and fascinating editor of the State Chronicle, spent a day in Hickory last week. If Jo, gets through this leap year business unbarressed, we shall be surprised and unable to account for it.

A petition will soon be sent to Washington for a new postoffice at Blackburn's store, about half way between Jacob's Fork and Keeversville. The more postoffices the better, so we hope the effort will be successful.—Enterprise

We regret to learn that a whisky mill will soon be in operation between Hickory and Conover. It will do much harm and no good. The men who own and run it may make a little money, but it will never profit them in the final rendering of accounts.

Rev. J. E. Bristowe, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is giving his congregation a series of discourses on the ten commandments. It would be a good thing for many who are not in the habit of attending services to go and hear him, and profit by the excellent advice given.

Mr. Hugh Murrill is representing this paper this week in Boone, and next week will be in Bakersville. We hope our Mitchell friends will encourage the young man by paying up all back dues and a year in advance, and each one get him two new subscribers for the campaign year.

Temperance Meeting.

There will be a temperance meeting, music and public speaking at Penelope Academy, four miles west of Hickory, on Friday morning, the 20th inst., to begin at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. J. E. Bristowe, J. F. Murrill, and perhaps others will speak. Everybody invited to hear what they have to say.

Seventh District Democratic Convention.

A convention of the Democratic party of the seventh Congressional district will be held at Salisbury on Wednesday, June 20th next, to nominate a candidate for Congress and a candidate for district elector. The delegates representing the counties of the district in the State convention will meet in Raleigh on Wednesday, May 30th next, at 9 o'clock a. m. to elect two delegates to the National Democratic Convention. By order of the executive committee.

T. B. ELDRIDGE,
Chairman.

The celebrated "W. L. DOUGLAS" \$3 SHOES, also a full line of his other advertised goods may be found at LINK McCOMB & Co's, Agents, Hickory.

Everything new and fresh, unique and cheap, at Royster & Martin's clothing store, Hickory, N. C.

More Men in Trouble.

Last week Joseph Murphy, of this place, was arrested on a warrant from Asheville charging the larceny of goods from C. E. Graham & Co. About the same day "Big Jule" Wilson was arrested near Newton, and both were taken to Asheville. The Citizen says R. E. Bost, a clerk of the firm, but formerly also a citizen of this county, was arrested, and all three men were committed to jail in default of bail. All the men have respectable connections in this county, and we hope they may prove their innocence of the charge.

New Bank Building.

The banking rooms now being fitted up for the Bank of Hickory, were opened a few days last week to enable the workmen to take in the counters, and fittings for the interior. This gave many of our citizens an opportunity to look in and see the work which has been done. Every body was loud in praise of the handsome decorations; and believes that the Bank of Hickory will soon be quartered in the most elegant banking room in the State. The enterprise shown by the owners in providing such a handsome room for their business, is worthy of commendation; as it shows they are wide awake persons ready and willing to show their faith in the future of the town, by fitting up their building, in a style that would be creditable to any city bank.

Commissioners' Meeting, April 2, 1888.

Full board.
Sam Wilson and wife, who were declared paupers at last meeting and ordered to the poor house, were discharged from the poor house.

Bettie Herman, colored, was declared a pauper and allowed \$2 per month for her support.

Mich Abernethy was declared a pauper and allowed \$2 for his support one month from date.

Lee Reinhardt was dropped from the pauper list.

The board confirmed the action of the board of supervisors of Hickory township in ordering a cartway opened from G. M. Whitener's mill to E. Abec's house, from which the counter-petitioners appealed to the Superior Court.

The board ordered the rebuilding of the bridge across Tarapin Creek at Oswald's mill.

A jury was ordered to lay out a new public road from Joseph Witherspoon's to Maiden.

A petition was filed asking for a voting precinct to be established at "Crossing."

Betsy Conrad and John W. Linn were declared paupers and allowed \$1 each per month for their support.

Chas. D. Foard was appointed constable for Newton township, vice R. B. Cline, resigned.

The following persons were appointed to list the taxables for their respective townships for 1888:

- Newton—J. M. Brown.
- Jacob's Fork—S. T. Wilfong.
- Bandy—M. F. Hull.
- Hickory—J. W. Mowser.
- Cline's—P. G. Herman.
- Catawba—W. H. Aderholdt.
- Mt. Creek—M. M. Gabriel.
- Caldwell's—T. L. Bandy.

Wide Awake.

Wide Awake for April greets us with eighty pages overflowing with beautiful pictures, delightful stories and poems. Mrs. Sherwood's serial, "Those Cousins of Mabel's," enforces the usages of good society by the experience of the heroines. A story that reads like a chapter from the Arabian Nights is the Javatese tale "The Prince of Baudong and His Son," in which Olive Risley Seward describes an experience of Governor Seward in tobogganning in the tropics in company with the Prince Royal of Java. A tale of two children and a lion, illustrated by Sandham, gives the exciting element this month. The other good articles are "too numerous to mention."

WIDE AWAKE is \$2.40 a year. D. Lothrop Company, Publishers, Boston, Mass.

A Town Clock.

Some time ago we suggested that one large bell in the center of the town, to be rung at a stated time for all the churches, would be better than having one bell on each of a dozen churches, rung by the time of as many different and widely differing time-pieces, but our motion secured no second. Evangelist Pearson made about the same suggestion and it was generally endorsed, so that we feel sure there is something in it, and perhaps we did not present the matter in proper shape. We think now a large town clock that could be heard strike all over town would be better than the bell-on-every-church system. Each congregation would have its hour and the big clock would tell it out. While a piously inclined man is trying to listen to the opening prayer he don't like to have a neighboring church bell ring his mind from the subject.

Sons of Temperance.

Reported for the Press and Carolinian.

The Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of North Carolina met in the Asheville Division rooms, Asheville, N. C., April 5, at 10 a. m. The following grand officers were present:

- G. W. P.—W. G. Candler.
- G. S.—P. A. Cummings.
- G. T.—J. G. Lindsay.
- G. Con.—J. A. Connor.
- G. Chap.—W. F. Johnston.
- G. Sen.—J. W. Shook.

The G. W. A. being absent, brother W. D. Justice was appointed to fill his chair.

The regular routine of business was dispensed with. Encouraging and appropriate remarks were made by delegates and representatives. On motion the G. Treas. was required to give a bond of \$500 to be approved by the G. W. P. and Executive Committee, and then placed in the hands of the G. Sec.

An invitation was read from the Asheville Division No. 15 to the Grand Division to hold all annual meetings with them and the semi-annual to be among the other divisions. Carried.

Next Annual Division to meet on second Thursday in October, 1888, in the Asheville Division rooms.

Asheville Division No. 15 was declared the banner division of the State, reporting 110 members in good standing.

The Grand Division adjourned with thanks to No. 15 and the citizens of Asheville for their hospitality and good feeling towards the cause.

Hickory is to the front as usual. The Sweet Sixteen Tobacco Company has a lady President—Miss Lula Johnston,—quite appropriate because we often think and speak of ladies as Sweet Sixteen. The knowledge that a lady is the president of this company should give the public additional confidence in that excellent brand of tobacco—and greatly increase the sales of the company.

Items from Oxford's Ford.

Mr. D. Hedrick is the owner of a seven dollar and a half North Carolina currency one hundred and twelve years old—No. 6466, dated April 2, 1776. Who can beat it?

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ingold, of Springfield, Illinois, are visiting friends and relatives in Catawba and Alexander counties. Mr. Ingold left here about twenty years ago, and all were glad to see them and give them a hearty hand shake.

There will be a picnic on the Catawba river at Oxford's Ford on Saturday, 14th inst. Every body is invited, but be sure and don't forget to bring a basket of something good to eat. Will have plenty of enjoyment for the young people.

The children and grand-children of Mr. John Stine will celebrate his 66th birthday next Monday, the 9th inst.

Notwithstanding all the cold weather, we will still have about one third peach crop.

The wheat and oats crops are looking well.

Mr. John Coons has a white June apple tree one hundred and six years old. It bore a full crop last year.

Mr. Q. L. Little is the mail contractor on route No. 13235 from here to Catawba twice a week.

April 3, 1888. A.

What is True Morality?

There is perhaps no subject within the range of human thought of more vital interest to every man, woman and child. Yet none so little understood, so differently construed, expanded or contracted to suit the convenience of him or her who attempts to define it.

In attempting a just solution of this great principle, many are the difficulties to be met and overcome. Many hard battles are to be fought, and a standard is to be erected by which every argument is to be tested.

I will set up as the standard of true morality the law as found recorded in Exodus 20th chapter, and Deut. 5th chapter, commonly called the ten commandments, which always have been, are now, and always will be binding upon men and angels.

Whatever else Christ came to do for us, he did not come to destroy the law, and Paul refers to the law as being established, not destroyed through faith.

Now the greatest difficulty that we have to meet is that of conscience. Many mistake the voice of conscience for the voice of God. The foolishness of such will be shown next week, by permission of the editor, and all that I may write upon this subject is laid open to criticism. I hope it will be carefully read, especially by the clergy, and if these views are judged to be incorrect I hope for the good of all they may take the trouble to correct them through the same medium, as many never go to our churches, or take no religious newspaper, and therefore this seems to me to be the only way to reach them.

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