

### SHOT A MULE.

**A Party of Statesville Men Go out to Shoot Frogs and Shot a Mule—Arrested and Two of Them Bound Over to Court.**

Monday evening Leonard Lackey, Cleet Bass, Dillard Jarvis and Isum Speaks went down to the Wallace Springs, about two miles south of Statesville to go in washing and shoot frogs. At least it is claimed they went for this purpose and they were heard to say that they were shooting frogs, although they denied it at the trial. The above named parties were at a pond near the spring, which is on the land of Mr. Isidore Wallace. Andy Glenn, colored, lives near there on the land of Mr. Wallace, and about dark, while eating supper he heard some shooting down in the meadow near the pond where he had hitched his mule to graze. About 9 o'clock he went down to see if anything was the matter and when he got down there he found his mule down and unable to get up. It was bloody and upon examination it was found to have been shot in the shoulder.

The mule died later. These parties were seen down there before dark by Glenn's wife who recognized them. Upon learning the facts, Deputy Sheriff Ward, who is also Game Warden of the Audubon Society, swore out a warrant for them for shooting frogs. The parties doubtless thought that they were to be tried for shooting the mule, and after they were arrested, Speaks told Deputy Sheriff Ward that they were doing nothing but shooting frogs and had killed about 8. Mr. J. M. Stikeleather also heard them make the statement. They were brought before Squire W. W. Turner last night and while on the witness stand Speaks and Jarvis denied shooting frogs but said they were in washing. They also swore that Speaks shot five times and Jarvis shot three times and that they shot straight up. One of the other men said he told them to not shoot out as they might hit a tree or something else. They said they saw the mule and he was still grazing when they left about 9:30 p. m.

After hearing the evidence Justice Turner bound Isum Speaks and Dillard Jarvis over to the next term of superior court in the sum of \$200 each.

The death of the mule is quite a loss of Andy Glenn. He had just bought the mule from Mr. Isidore Wallace last year for \$180.

### Where Was Noah Logan Born?

In speaking about Noah Logan, of Alexander county, reaching the farthest point in Pickett's famous charge at Gettysburg The Yadkinville Ripple wants to investigate and see if Logan was not born in Yadkin county as there are Logans in that county. Mr. Logan is living and says he was born in Alexander county and also enlisted from that county, but if the Ripple wants to investigate as to the place of his birth we suggest that it go ahead and investigate. We suggest also that it appoint Mr. Logan a member of the investigating committee.

### Correction.

In yesterday's Mascot we printed that it was Miss Essie Brookshire of Troutman, who swore out a warrant for Mr. Lloyd Cloaninger, for seduction under promise of marriage. This was a mistake as it was her sister, Miss Vera Brookshire. We gladly make the correction.

### DISTILLERY DESTROYED.

**Officers J. M. Davis and J. W. Ward Charge the Enemy and Put Them to Flight.**

Monday about two miles west of Felts postoffice in Wilkes county, which is near the Iredell line, Officers J. M. Davis and J. W. Ward, of Statesville, destroyed a blockade distillery and about 500 gallons of beer.

The operators succeeded in removing a part of the outfit but the worm and fermenters and 500 gallons of beer were destroyed. The blockaders learned that officers were in the community and in order to gain time they resorted to a subterfuge. A woman in the community informed the officers that she knew of a distillery and wished to have it destroyed. She directed them how to reach it, but in a round about way, and while the officers were approaching from one direction the operators made their escape in another, taking a part of the outfit with them.

### Too Much Congregating at Wallace Springs.

The people who live near the Wallace springs about two miles south of Statesville complain that parties from Statesville congregated there on Sundays and other days to such an extent that it is a nuisance to the neighborhood. They do many things that are aggravating to the people and much vulgar language is used. When some of the offenders are brought to the court house to answer perhaps it will stop and hardly before.

### Open Air Vaudeville.

Beginning next Monday Moore and Hancock will open a big open air vaudeville on the Anderson lot on South Center street and give nightly performances beginning at 8:15.

The price of admission will only be 10 and 15 cents. There will be a change of program every night consisting of comic singing, dancing, musical specialties, funny acting, etc., something new every night.

The show is at Mooresville this week and will be here every night next week.

### How a Snake Eats Eggs.

We have often heard of snakes eating eggs—hen eggs—but we never knew just how they went about it until Saturday we learned the secret from an eye witness. It was over in Rowan county where the black snake swallowed four hen eggs. He found the nest under an apple tree and although the eggs were larger around than the snake's head, his neck or even his body, he had no trouble in getting them pushed down the narrow passage. You could see them go down without any trouble and when the four eggs were in the snake you could see the four knots on the snake. But how did he digest them? Well that was an easy proposition for Mr. Blacksnake. He crawled up to the body of the apple tree, wrapped himself around it and tightened himself up until pop, pop, pop, pop and all the eggs were broken.

### A HALF MILLION FIRE.

**Big Springfield, Ohio, Fire—Cereal Plant is in Ashes—One Fireman Killed.**

Springfield, Ill., June 8.—The Decatur Cereal Company's plant was today destroyed by fire with \$500,000 loss. Fireman John Sheehy was killed by falling timbers.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. R. D. Moore of Mooresville, is spending the day in the city.

Mr. J. C. Fowler left today for a short trip on the road.

Mr. Flake Montgomery of Cool Spring is in town today.

Mr. A. L. Watts of Stony Point, was in the city this morning.

Mr. J. Watt Grey of New Sterling, was in Statesville last night.

Judge A. L. Coble left this morning on a business trip to Waynesville and Brevard.

Miss Francis C. Long, of Elmwood, is spending the day in the city.

Mrs. Arthur Thompson, of Cleveland is spending today at the home of Mrs. George Anderson.

Miss Viola Young went to Salisbury this morning to spend a few days.

Mrs. James Deaton and children went to Mooresville to visit for a few days.

Miss Purnia Foushee returned last night from an extended visit to her sister, Mr. W. B. Owen of McColl, S. C.

Among the arrivals at Hotel Iredell today are Messrs. Jas. Miller, Charlotte; L. E. Fogerty, Boston, Mass.; M. H. Baker, Milwaukee.

Miss Buttrick, of Asheville, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Steele. She is en route to her home from the Woman's Missionary Conference at Mount Airy.

Miss Eula Raymer, who has been at Long's sanatorium for treatment, returned this afternoon to her home at Eufola. Miss Raymer is much improved.

### Sad Death in Bethany Township.

News received here today announces the death of Miss Tom Adderholdt at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adderholdt last night at 9 o'clock in Bethany township. Miss Adderholdt had been ill for a long time and death was not unexpected, consumption being the cause of her death.

Miss Adderholdt was about 21 years of age and is survived by her parents, one sister, Annie, who lives at home; also two brothers, Messrs. William W. and Robert M. Adderholdt, of Rex, Miss. The brothers are not expected home for the funeral. One sister, Miss Rose, died about five years ago.

Miss Adderholdt visited her brothers in Mississippi during the winter of 1907-08 and became ill while there. She returned home, and has been in poor health ever since, having been confined to her bed for some weeks past.

The funeral services will be conducted at Rose's chapel, nearly five miles north of Statesville, tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, by Rev. T. E. Wagg, her pastor.

Miss Adderholdt is known to many Statesville people where she is very pleasantly remembered, she having gone to S. F. C. several winters ago.

Unusually bright in her classes, very quiet but always affectionate and kind, her memory is cherished by her many friends and schoolmates.

Mr. R. A. Montgomery and family are moving today from Davie avenue into the T. M. Mills house, opposite the postoffice. The house vacated by Mr. Montgomery was recently sold by Mr. J. E. Tharpe to Mr. "Bud" Daniels, who will occupy it.

### BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. M. O. Houpe, who is quite ill at her home on Webb street, is thought to be slightly improved this morning.

Miss Nellie Myers daughter of Rev. E. Myers of Taylorsville, spent last night in Statesville, the guest of Miss Mayme Sharpe. Miss Myers was returning from Mount Airy where she attended the Nineteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. The session this year was June 3-7 inclusive.

Mr. C. L. Gilbert, of Shiloh township has been appointed jailer to succeed Mrs. L. R. Connelly, who has been jailer since her husband died. Mrs. Connelly is having a new residence built on west Front street and will move into it as soon as it is completed. She may remain jailer however until the new jail is completed to accommodate Mr. Gilbert, as it will save him some trouble in moving so many times. Mrs. Connelly has given entire satisfaction as keeper of the prison.

### What Has Become of New Passenger Station?

Several weeks ago a great ado was made about a new passenger station for Statesville and a delegation of citizens met Mr. Ackert and laid before him the needs of the city in the way of better passenger service. Mr. Ackert, promised, we understand, to give a definite answer in from thirty to sixty days. If he has made an answer we have not heard of it. The thirty days has surely expired and the time until the expiration of the sixty days will not be as long as it has been. The Southern Railway Company is a big concern but it is better to always be frank in dealings with the public. We hope the railroad officials will soon be in shape to build Statesville a station that will be in keeping with the growth of the town.

### Time to End the Courtship.

"Mandy," said the lovesick Hiram, as he twitched the wax flowers nervously, "won't you be mine! It feels like my heart is coming through."

"Gracious," exclaimed Mandy, apprehensively, "I reckon I'll have to. Not only your heart is coming through, but we have been courting so long two of the sofa springs are coming through."

—Chicago News.

### Placing Him.

"Papa," inquired little May, after Sunday school, "was George Washington an Israelite?"

Before her father could answer this somewhat unexpected question, May's six-year-old brother broke in.

"Why, May, I'm 'shamed of your ignorance' George Washington is in the New Testament, not the Old!"

A horse driven by Mrs. Ellie Owens, of Spencer, was frightened by an automobile at a point on North Main street near the residence of Rev. Dr. N. Stallings Tuesday and plunged down the embankment. Mrs. Owens was thrown out but fortunately escaped with slight injury.

### Services at First Baptist Church.

Rev. Chas. E. Maddry arrived in Statesville this afternoon and will conduct services at the First Baptist church this evening at 8 o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired.

### VERY HEAVY RAIN.

**Three Bridges Washed Away, Others Damaged—Great Damage to Crops and Grass Along Streams—The Most Destructive Rain for Several Years.**

Statesville and vicinity was visited yesterday evening by one of the greatest down pours of rain that has fallen for some time. The rain seemed to be heaviest just north of Statesville. The cloud gathered about 6 o'clock and came from the northeast. The down pour was continuous for several hours, and one or more heavy rains fell sometime during the night.

Great damage was done to the bridges. The one on the Wilkesboro road 2 miles northwest of Statesville near Capt. W. H. H. Gregory's was washed away. The foundations were undermined and the entire structure damaged. It had been built only about two years. The first bridge at the old Davis mill place on the Turnersburg road was washed away, also the one at the five mile branch just completed was washed some distance down the creek. These were all new bridges built by the chain gang force during the last two years, and the loss to the county and the inconvenience to the public is great.

The McEwen bridge about five miles north of Statesville on the Wilkesboro road is said to be greatly damaged by the high waters.

The bridge across "Greasy" creek just this side of Mr. Walter Morton's in Chambersburg township is said to be impassible. The crops along many of the streams are entirely destroyed and the upland greatly damaged.

The bridges will be rebuilt as quickly as possible. Chairman N. B. Mills, of the Board of County Commissioners ordered a car load of cement this morning to be used in rebuilding the bridges.

### SIR EDWARD GREY SOUNDS WAR NOTE.

London, June 8.—The war note was sounded today by foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey addressing the Imperial Press conference. He said that Great Britain's policy was to keep what he had got, to quarrel as little as possible with other countries and to uphold the ideals by which Britons set so much store. He dwelt on the increase of armaments in Europe and the menace to Britain that it constituted.

Referring to "the serious words" spoken by Lord Rosebury at the conference banquet on Saturday night when he characterized the out-look as menacing and appalling, Sir Edward said emphatically:

"I endorse every word he said, here is far to much a stake to allow our naval expenditure to fall behind that of our nations. The last two years have made clear how great are the resources of the empire."

### Bitten by the Genius Bug.

"That boy thar," said the Billville parent, "I'm blast ef I know jest what to make o' him; he's so queer!"

"That so?"

"Shore is. He won't work, an' yit he's hungry all the time—got a reg-lar sawmill appetite. It's my opinion he's a-goin' to grow up to one o' these long-haired geniuses that live on fresh air an' dreams."—Atlanta Constitution.

It's awful hard for a genius to keep his name on the pay roll.

### MISSIONS ILLUSTRATED BY MOVING PICTURES.

**Mr. Chas. E. Vickery to be at the Court House Tonight and Will Show Scenes From World Travel in Motion Pictures.**

The moving picture show at the court house tonight, illustrating missions in foreign lands promises to be very instructive. Mr. Vickery has secured a number of pictures telling fully the story of the world. He showed in Charlotte last week and the Charlotte News says:

"In one scene Mr. Vickery showed the medical missionary stations. The waiting room was shown crowded with patients, waiting to be treated and, during the time they are under the care of the physicians, they are being taught the Christian religion. One announcement thrown on the screen told that in 1807 there was not a single American missionary on the foreign field and, of course, no converts of American missionaries. It was indeed interesting then to watch the progress which has been made since that date.

"The scenes were taken from Africa, the wild, untamed provinces, China, India and Japan. Some very beautiful scenes were displayed especially in Japan and portions of China.

"In India, there were shown pictures of the holy men lying on their beds of torture. These men spend the greater part of their lives inflicting self torture on their bodies, thinking that this will, in the end, bring them peace. There was shown a picture of the "spike bed" used by these misguided beings. On a bedlike constructed object, filled with sharp spikes 6 or 8 inches long on which recline these old men all day. Mr. Vickery and his party when in India obtained and brought to America with them one of these beds which is now in New York.

"In India Mr. Vickery stated, there are 25,000,000 widows which means practically slavery for this number of women, and they range from 15 years of age up.

"But all the scenes were not of the dark side, and pictures showing the work accomplished by missionaries came as a happy conclusion. The scenes were very interesting and undoubtedly many people left the church with a greater love and faith in foreign missions."

### SAD STATE OF AFFAIRS.

**Nearly 800 Cases on Civil Docket Alone in Guilford.**

Greensboro Record.

Judge Long is making stern efforts to wind up or at least to make a hole in Guilford's civil docket, but he has hardly made a start. We hope he is not like a certain judge who was coming to this county. Told about the large docket, he remarked that when he got through with it would be only a little fuzz left on it. When he ended his term the only thing he had touched was the fuzz. There in according to the attorneys a town something near 800 cases on the civil side of the docket with the increase much larger than the decrease, so that what is to become of us the Lord only knows. It is enough to break up any county in the State, not counting the loss of time of witnesses, litigants and jurours.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 8.—Gov. Hadley today signed the bill prohibiting the smoking of cigarettes in public places by persons between the ages of ten and eighteen years.