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Weather Forecasts.

Washington, D. C., June 26.—For North Carolina cloudy with showers tonight or Sunday.

Everywhere the good roads problem is being studied. Let it continue and good roads will be the result.

The colored residents of a certain district of Asheville are planning for a park of their own. The white people who live near this place are, and rightly so, objecting to the building of such a place.

Only fifty per cent of the white applicants who went before the State Pharmaceutical board passed successfully. Heretofore the average has been 60 per cent. Three out of eleven colored applicants passed.

We already have the "Unwritten Law," "Emotional Insanity," etc., but the lawyers in the Biggers case at Charlotte have certainly sprung a new one on us—"Confusional Insanity." What next?

The Biggers trial at Charlotte is nearing a close. The progress of the trial has been watched with interest. Several very able speeches have been made in Biggers' behalf and it is uncertain what the verdict will be. According to the opinion of many Biggers is guilty of nothing less than premeditated murder. If he is, no matter what his standing is, he should be punished as any other criminal.

The Mascot wishes to add a word of commendation for the position taken by the colored W. C. T. U. which met in Statesville the first of the week. The colored people as a race will never accomplish anything until they practice the sound doctrine laid down by this convention, a report of which was published in yesterday's Mascot. They were advised to be industrious, sober and honest and fill their own sphere in the social life of the community. They should engage in some profitable and suitable business, and deal honestly and frankly with all and they will not only elevate their own race, but will avoid friction with the white race.

In discussing the long delayed Breese case at Asheville the Charlotte News calls attention to some technical defects in the drawing up of bills of indictment which often prevent justice and brings our courts into disrepute. The News says:

"Breese is prominent. He has at his command the influence of influential men. He is able to employ learned counsel. The result is, that so far he has escaped trial on a flimsy technicality in the bill of indictment, the statute of limitation holding and preventing the making of another bill.

"Breese is either guilty or innocent. He should be given a trial for the crime charged in open court, and if guilty, convicted; if innocent, freed. This persistent frivolous with justice is becoming nauseous to the public mind.

"The defect in our judicial system which makes it possible for criminals to hide behind the mask of some petty technicality or other, should be corrected if the public may be expected to retain that high respect for the fairness of the courts which is necessary for their existence.

"Recently a prominent case was tried in another state and the defendant let go because the word 'the' was omitted in the bill of indictment, the bill reading,

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