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### LOCAL DOTS.

Brief Notes of Passing Events That May or May Not Interest You.

—The indications for fruit so far are good.  
 —Best Alexander county flour at Mayberry's at \$2.50.  
 —Wilkes is preparing to go to Greensboro next week.  
 —The recent cold snap injured the oat crop to some extent.  
 —Dr. E. M. Coffey, of Lebanon, was in the city last week.  
 —March has marched away and it's April now instead.  
 —Little Mabel Hix has returned from her visit to Statesville.

—25 cents spent at B S Call's entitles you one chance at a ten dollar bill.  
 —Mrs. Hix has gone to the northern markets for a supply of new goods.  
 —Spainhour returned from the northern markets with a full line of new goods.

—Mr. John Horton, of North Wilkesboro, is visiting relatives in Caldwell county.  
 —Mr. W. H. Starr has been quite unwell for several days. He is improving.  
 —Mr. D. A. Reece returned last week from a trip South where he had been with apples.  
 —Prof. Eugene Harrell, of Raleigh, spent a few days here in North Wilkesboro this week.

—The revenues are still living. They captured a load of blockade down about Osbornville last Saturday night.

—Solicitor Mott and Lawyers Hackett & Hackett, Barber and Buxton are attending Alleghany court.

—The town election comes off the first Monday in May. It's about time to be thinking about candidates.

—Mr. R. L. Smith, of Stanley county, was in the city last week on business. He made a trip to Ashe county while in this section.

—Clerk Vannoy is able to be out again, which will be gratifying news to his many friends. He has had a pretty tough time of it.

—John E. Hubbard has bought the Martin Lowe property in North Wilkesboro, and expects to establish a business soon.

—Mr. A. R. Vail, of Jefferson, was in the city last week. He had been to Winston laying in a supply of groceries for court week.

—Mr. E. B. Henderson, who is located at East Bend, is spending a few days in the city.

—Mr. William Bledsoe and wife, of Ashe, who been spending sometime at Fayetteville, are visiting a few days here, on their way home.

—The "Millinery Opening" at E. Wallaces at North Wilkesboro, occurs Wednesday. He wants everybody to come and see for themselves.

—Walter Williamson, of Ashe, was in the city last week, and Miss Maud Jones, who has been attending school at Miss Barber's, returned home with him.

—Miles Brown, son of J. M. P. Brown, of Mulberry, caught 14 large suckers at one haul last week, and says he has something to eat now besides dry bread.

—You can find bran to feed the cow at B. S. Call's.

—L. W. Lonsford of Lovelace is improving.

—Albert Forester is improving slowly.

—At the recent Demorest medal contest of Dellaplane, Miss Stella Foote won the medal. There will be a gold medal contest at the same place on April 25th at 2 P. M. Everybody invited. These contests are very interesting.

—James P. Cook, of Concord, was in the city last week, and says Wilkes agrees with him. He says Wilkes is one of the finest countries he ever saw, and he is thinking about moving Concord and the Standard both up here.

—Mr. Merideth Henderson, died at his home on Hunting Creek, last Saturday and was buried Monday. He was 89 years old and had been feeble sometime. About a week ago he was struck speechless with paralysis and never afterwards rallied sufficient to give hope for his recovery. Another landmark of the county is gone.

—Mr. Henry Bumgarner, known as "Uncle Henry," died at his home in Reddies River township, on last Saturday. He was perhaps the oldest man in the township, being between 80 and 90 years old. He had been feeble for some time. The wheels of life just wore out and stopped, and the life of a respected citizen is gone.

—"Surprise parties" are great institutions, not that there are startling or remarkable "surprises" connected with one, except that if any one should fail to enjoy himself at such a party it would "surprise" everybody else. One among the most pleasant surprise parties of the season was given at Mr. John S. Cranor's last Thursday night. A whole host gathered at his hospitable home and spent the hours pleasantly till the hands of the clock pointed to the middle of the night. There was but one sentiment among all present, and that was, it was good to be there.

**The Report False.**

There was quite an excitement up in Elk township last week. Two young men, Dula and Kendall, went south, with some apples. Reports came back that they had been killed by negroes down about Charlotte and their apples stolen. This created an excitement in the neighborhood which was strengthened by the fact that the boys staid away over the time in which they were to return. Their folks immediately started in search of them, but found them on the road returning, safe and sound. The report was all a mistake.

**An Aged Mail Carrier Dies.**

McDuffie Grant died at his home near Taylorsville last week. The doctors said the cause of his death was cancer of the stomach. Mr. Grant was an aged gentleman, being about 72 years old, and was an honest upright man. He was born in Wilkes and was informed and has many relatives in this county. He was a brother of Esq. J. W. Hays' wife. He had been mail contractor and carrier for some 30 years and was always faithful and trustworthy. His familiar figure will be missed along the line, for it was seldom that he missed either on the Brushy Mountain or Kilby Gap route. A clever man and a faithful servant of the government has gone the way of all the world.

### "Millinery Reception."

Mrs S J Prevette has received a new line of Millinery goods, Easter hats, laces, etc. and will give a "Millinery Reception," at McNeil's store next Saturday beginning at 10 A. M. Everybody invited.

### The Children's Concert.

A number of the children gave a concert at Mr. Pharr's last Friday night. Those taking a part were Essie and Lera Erwin, Sallie, Essie and William Cowles, and Lillian and Maud Pharr. The children got it up all by themselves and was for the benefit of for sign missions at the Presbyterian church. They had all been given mite boxes and they adopted this plan for getting money in them. The concert was real good for the children and they realized about \$2.60. There were 24 pieces in the program. Little William Cowles' song "Calling the Cows" was cute. He made the tune up himself. Sallie Cowles and Maud Pharr sang and acted "I don't want to play in your yard" just excellently. The dialogue, "Swallow Land," by Essie and Lera Erwin was neatly acted. "Sweet Modesty" by Sallie Cowles was splendid, and Essie Cowles' little recitation, "I'm my Mama's Little Darling" was sweet as could be. The other pieces were all good, and the little folks may feel proud of their success.

### Our Flag at Half-mast.

A shroud of gloom is hanging about our place of business. The government flag floats at half-mast and the Cosmopolitan devils have put on the usual badge of mourning for 30 days. The gopher has gone glimmering, and his seat by the fireside is vacant. Whether he left by his own free will and accord, or by the free will and accord of some wandering passer by we know not. It was a beautiful summer sun shine day last week, and we placed him and his box out to catch the warmth of the sun. Perhaps it brought back the memories of his childhood way down upon the Suwanee, and in the distance perhaps he heard the mournful wail of his parents, calling him back to "home and mother," and he may now be on his journey. It is more probable however, that, burdened with a nameless longing and depressed with ennui, he silently stole away and shuffled off this mortal coil. Believing in this story we have had the Wilkesboro Marble Works to place over his supposed grave a brilliant monument with this inscription: "Perhaps in this neglected spot is laid That Gopher of celestial fire. Whose hoofs the rod of empire might have swayed, Or waked to ecstasy some living 'Liar,' such as some of our fox hunters.

Within the last few nights, near this spot, some of our colored friends have seen ghosts of different shapes. It sometimes appears as a man without a head, sometimes as a white dog, sometimes as a guerrilla, etc. It is no doubt the restless ghost of the lamented gopher.

### Notice.

On Monday the 4th day of May 1896, to satisfy town taxes due and unpaid, I will offer for cash, at the Court House door in the town of Wilkesboro, N. C., on Main Street, the property of Starbuck & Eller. The amount of tax is \$9.60, and is due for the year 1895. This March 31, 1896.

E. M. PARDUE, Tax Collector.

### His First Night from Home.

A man by the name of Adams of Mulberry township was in town Monday and all night. He is about 50 years old and had not been to town in 15 years. He has been married some 30 years and that was the first night he has spent from home since his wedding.

### Bad Affair at Elkin.

A sad affair at Elkin has been made public. It seems that for sometime Dr. Ring, one of Elkin's most respected citizens, has been sick off and on, and last week several of the family took sick the same way. No one could tell what was the matter or give any reason for the sickness. Dr. Bohnsen, of Winston, was called in and pronounced that the family were poisoned, and but for an over dose would have died. Suspicion rested upon the doctor's 16 year old son, and the circumstances pointed so plainly to him that he confessed that he had attempted to poison his father six or seven times. He said he didn't want to hurt any of the rest of the family, but wanted to poison his father because he was too strict on him and wouldn't let him do as he wanted to. The boy was not prosecuted but sent to the far west immediately. This is a great shock to the hosts of the friends of the family.

### Blue Ridge Breeze.

Mr. William Hamby has moved from near Parsonville to the Charley Hunt place on top of the mountain at Phillips' Gap.

An old lady by the name of Sis Minton is quite ill—not expected to live. She has no property and but few friends. She is in a deplorable condition.

Uriah Eller and B. F. Eller's daughter crossed over into Ashe county and were joined together in the bonds of holy matrimony. Rev. Lee Miller performed the ceremony.

Mr. L. M. McGlamery is going to put up a pin factory at his home about three miles from Parsonville. He wants to buy all the locust pins he can get.

Mr. William Hamby's little boy who has been sick for some time, has passed away. Its death occurred last Thursday night and it was buried Saturday. Rev. Wm. Lee conducted the funeral services. The child seemed to die happy.

JULIUS CESAR.

### Notice to Consignees

WILKESBORO N. C. MARCH 30th 1896.  
 The Southern Express Company will sell at Public auction at the store house of Ferguson & Hubbard in Wilkesboro, N. C. for charges, about five hundred unclaimed freight packages being on hand six months and over, on Monday May fourth 1896, at one o'clock p. m., unless called for charges paid or otherwise disposed of before day of sale.  
 O M SADLER Supt.  
 J L Hawkins Agt.

### Big Bargains.

I have just opened up a complete line of groceries in one of the store rooms of the Wilkesboro Hotel, and am prepared to meet the wants of all the people in everything except "Credit."  
 The best goods on the market at the lowest prices, but no credit business. Call and see me.  
 B. S. CALL.

### Notice.

On Monday April 6th 1896, at the court house door in Wilkesboro N. C., by virtue of a mortgage deed executed to me by D J Mccann and wife to secure the payment of one hundred dollars with interest and all cost of sale, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder the following described lands: situated in Trap Hill township Wilkes county N. C. beginning on a white oak Owen Hall's west corner and running north to a white oak, thence west to a red oak, thence north to a stake J A Mccann's corner, thence east with J A Mccann's line so as to include 60 acres, thence south to Owen Hall's line, thence west with Owen Hall's line to the beginning, containing 60 acres. This Feb. 24th 1896.  
 JANE HANES, Mortgagee.  
 E. C. Carter, Att'y.

## R. A. SPAINHOUR

Has returned from the Northern markets with a full line of

## NEW GOODS

CALL AND SEE THEM in the Miller Building.

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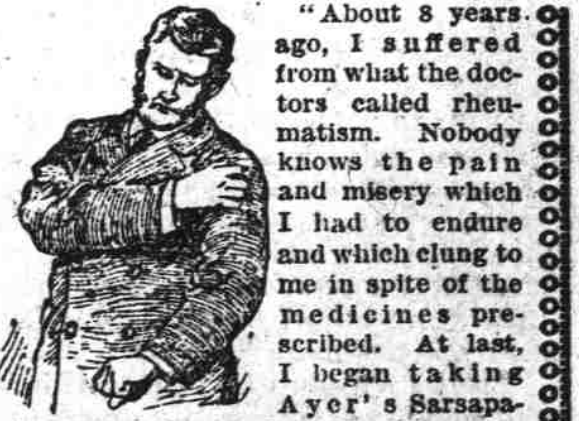
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Are Now Located In Their New Quarters Opposite McGee's Establishment With a Complete Line Of Anything Kept In A

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### PAIN AND MISERY AYER'S SARSAPARILLA Cures Rheumatism.



"About 8 years ago, I suffered from what the doctors called rheumatism. Nobody knows the pain and misery which I had to endure and which clung to me in spite of the medicines prescribed. At last, I began taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. After a short time, the pains ceased. I continued the use of the Sarsaparilla for a whole year, until the rheumatism entirely disappeared."  
 JAMES WAY, proprietor of Hvery stable, Roseville, Cal.

Ayer's Only Sarsaparilla Admitted for Exhibition AT THE WORLD'S FAIR

Notice. By virtue of a mortgage deed executed by Benjamin Huffman and others, to secure the payment of \$225.00 borrowed money. I will sell for cash at the court house door in Wilkesboro, N. C. to the highest bidder May 4th 1896, the following described real estate, belonging to the heirs of N. P. Cardwell in Wilkes county adjoining the lands of J. M. Eller, Cidie Hackett, Sallie Hamby, Jonathan Stout, Matilda McGee and others, for further description, see mortgage deed record in book no. 14 page 632, to satisfy said sum of \$225.00 and cost of sale. This April the 1st, 1896.  
 W. T. MIXTON, Mortgagee.

### Money to Lend.

I have made arrangements with brokers in New York City through whom I am able to place loans secured by a first mortgage on improved farms for five years time, payable in installments, at the low rate of 6 per cent. interest per annum. The brokerage and the charge for abstract and inspection are small and at the expense of the borrower. If you want cheap money come at once as the supply is limited.  
 JOHN E. CRANOR.

### HACKETT & HACKETT, Attorneys at Law, WILKESBORO, N. C.

Practice in all the courts, State and Federal. All business entrusted to us will receive prompt attention. Collections will be carefully attended to and promptly remitted when paid. Will attend the courts of Wilkes, Ashe, Alleghany and other adjoining counties. Parties wishing either line of life insurance will find it to their interest to confer with us, as we can furnish either, in reliable companies at lowest possible rates, consistent with safety and secure insurance.

DR. L. A. HAUSER, Dental Surgeon. (Graduate of B. C. D. S., Baltimore, Md.) Four Years experience. Offers his services to the people of Wilkes. Will be at Wilkesboro over Spainhour's store 1st week each month, & at the Hotel in North Wilkesboro the second week. All Work Guaranteed.