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**LOCAL MATTERS.**

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

—Orange cider at Call's.  
 —Best line of chewing tobacco at Call's.  
 —John B. Hall is over in Ashe this week on business.  
 —Patent elastic seam drawers at Horton Bros.  
 —J. W. McNeill left Saturday to attend Winston court this week.  
 —Charlie Gilreath began school Monday at Liberty school house.  
 —Mr. Smithey, of Ashe, visited his brother here, Isaac Smithey, last week.  
 —If you want a pleasant puff, call at Call's for cigars and cigarettes.  
 —Cool your parched tongue with a nice glass of soda water at Turner & Berry's.  
 —For the good of your feet and also your purse buy your shoes of Horton Bros.  
 —Mr. H. O. Parsons, of Parsonville, is spending several days in the Wilkesboros.  
 —Mrs. Hickerson, of Ronda, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Parlier, at this place.  
 —Esq. Finley Curtis with his family, of Tennessee, is visiting his father, Mr. H. Curtis.  
 —T. D. Land, Esq., began school at the Bell school house, on Hunting Creek, the first of the week.  
 —Miss Mary Bell Atkins, who visited here last summer, has been appointed postmistress at Jonesville.  
 —Register of Deeds Blackburn, with his assistants, completed the transcribing of the tax books Saturday.  
 —Several of the people of the Wilkesboros are having a little outing at the Brushy Mountain Iron & Lithia Springs.  
 —Esq. T. J. Gilreath, one of the oldest and best teachers in the county, began school at Goshen Monday.  
 —Mrs. Judge Hackler, of Virginia, who had been visiting her sisters, Mrs. Ferguson and Miss Emma Rousseau, returned this week.  
 —Old man John Billings, who lived near Roaring River, died on Wednesday of last week. He was near 90 years old.  
 —Mr. Charlie Leckie and daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. L. Leckie, of Iredell, visited the family of Esq. D. R. Edwards last week.  
 —Mrs. E. J. Barber and Mr. W. A. Barber, of Cleveland, Rowan county, visited the family of Rev. R. W. Barber last week.  
 —The 10th of August will soon be here—the day of election. Have you seriously considered how you will vote?  
 —The Misses Johnson, of Raleigh, who have been visiting here, went over to Hickory last week to spend a couple of weeks.  
 —Mrs. S. R. Fitzgerald, who has been spending some time at the Brushy Mountain Iron & Lithia Springs, returned to her home in Virginia last week.  
 —Mr. Nesbit, his wife, daughter and niece, spent Thursday night at the Wellborn house, on their way from a visit to Virginia to their home in Cabarrus county.

—John Ferguson, of Boomer, brought in 50 watermelons Saturday which he had raised this year.  
 —Rev. and Mrs. Hobart Barber and little child, of Burlington, N. C., are visiting the family of Rev. R. W. Barber.  
 —Nice line of gents' gloves just in at Horton Bros.—dressed and undressed Kids, Mochas, Astrachan, Cashmere, etc.  
 —Esq. William Hendren, of Straw, is quite feeble in body and mind, too. He is one of the oldest citizens of the county, being about 79 years old.  
 —Mrs. Capt. Gordon, of Morganton, and Miss Patrick, of Chocowinity, Beaufort county, are visitors at Rev. R. W. Barber's, and will spend a few weeks.  
 —Miss Mary Ellen Hendren, of Straw, had ripe watermelons of her own raising, on the second Sunday of July. She is sure that is as early as the earliest raised in Wilkes.  
 —Misses Hattie and Sarah Taylor, of Chatham, Va., passed up the Wilkesboro road this morning. They will spend some time at the Lithia Springs in Wilkes.—Winston Sentinel.  
 —When you need a new hat see our popular shapes at our popular prices before you buy. Any thing from a 5 cent Russ to a \$5.00 Stetson.  
**HORTON BROS.**  
 —We learn that Marshall Roberts and Miss Annie Hampton, of Roaring River, were married Sunday, the Rev. G. Burcham performing the ceremony. Our best wishes to them.  
 —Everybody in Wilkes can have plenty of grapes if they care to try. Esq. Bob Staley planted out some vines two years ago, and this season they are bearing an abundant crop.  
 —We understand that there are several cases of typhoid fever down in the Roaring River neighborhood. Mr. Joel Brewer is hardly expected to live and Miss Ella Sparks is very bad off.  
 —We understand that work will begin in a short time on a hotel at the Springs. We are glad of this. It is one of the finest summer resorts in the State and a hotel is badly needed there.  
 —A large crowd attended the funeral services at Sulphur Springs last Sunday, commemorative of the late Rev. Samuel S. Jennings. Five ministers assisted in the service and paid tribute to the memory of the dead brother.  
 —We notice they have a man down in the eastern part of the State who challenges the entire State on snoring. Wilkes will accept the challenge and names as its champion Esq. E. Wallace. Just name your place and date.  
 —Esq. J. P. Gilreath comes to the front with a hen that laid three well developed eggs one day last week. Two of them were attached to each other, making twin eggs. He thinks this is at the head of the record.  
 —Esq. Thos. B. Campbell, of Straw, visited in Iredell last week, and reports fine crops. He says the people got tired waiting for good times and are making plenty to eat and will ask McKinley and other gold bugs no odds. They say they can't vote the school tax, till they get a little "free silver" in circulation.

**The Railroad Tax.**  
 A communication concerning the railroad tax is crowded out. It argues that the county has good grounds to refuse to levy or pay this tax, for the reasons that the county has no stock in the road since the assignment, which assignment was made without notice to the county, and further that the last election was held without authority. We call this to the attention of the Commissioners, and hope they will at least take steps to test the question. They are in session as we go to press and we hope they will consider the matter.

**Horse Killed.**  
 Mart Reeves, who lives up on Mulberry, brought a load of tan bark to the tannery Saturday. It was late when he returned home. Near 12 o'clock when just above Mulberry post office, he drove off of a high steep bank, and one of his horses was killed. The other was badly injured, one eye being knocked out. The wagon was smashed to pieces, and he himself was bruised up considerably.

—The masons will march to the picnic grounds from the lodge, the day of the picnic. All masons are invited to join the march, and adjoining lodges will please bring their aprons.

—M. S. Bradley, Esq., who has been visiting his brother, John Bradley, in the western part of Nebraska, returned to Wilkes last week. He was out in the prairie section where stock raising is the principal occupation, and most of the inhabitants are bachelors. He says they have plenty of money there, but that he wouldn't live there so long as he can get to live in Wilkes. The fact is that if we are poor and have no money, we have the best place on the globe to live.

—We notice that a good many of the writers and papers are making wrong calculations concerning the special school tax. Their calculations are too high. For instance it is asserted that a tax of ten cents on the hundred dollars will raise \$500 on \$50,000 worth of property. The calculation is \$450 too high. It makes only \$50, and with the \$50 from the State added makes \$100. Divide this among the districts in the townships, and where is the big bonanza, which some claim the teachers are working after?

—The Baptist Sunday Schools of the Wilkesboros, Fairplains, Walnut Grove and Moravian Falls, joined in a picnic at the latter place last Saturday, and it was one of the most pleasant occasions of the season. There was a large crowd present, and the supply of provisions was abundantly sufficient for the demand. Judge McLane, of Penn., made an interesting and eloquent address of about an hour's length. It is highly spoken of. Some of the school children recited suitable selections. It was pleasant to be there.

—Esq. Lonsford, of Lovelace, who was here Monday, says, that the McKinley prosperity passed through his section one night last week. Its track was discovered by a boy, and it favored the santer's track, except that it had longer claws. The neighbors soon congregated with their dogs and guns and tried to capture the long promised panacea for hard times, but its track was all that could be found.

**Additional Locals.**

—Protracted meeting begins at Millers Creek Sunday.  
 —Esq. J. George Finley returned Saturday from Jefferson.  
 —Miss Elizabeth Matthews has returned from a visit to Elkin.  
 —Willie H. Woods visited relatives and friends at Mocksville last week.  
 —Mr. H. F. McPherson, of Union county, is in the city, on important business.  
 —A communication from E. B. Hampton, Esq., concerning the school tax is crowded out.  
 —Miss Addie Stricker and Mr. Elisha Parlier visited Miss Alice Hickerson at Ronda Sunday.  
 —Esq. G. C. Poplin, with his son, of Edwards township, visited his sister, Mrs. Edwards, this week.  
 —District conference at Pinacle, Surry county, this week, and several from Wilkes are attending.  
 —The fight for the deputy collectorship is over and E. O. Mastin got the place. He took charge the 2nd day of August.  
 —License was issued last week for the marriage of Creps Chambers to Lucinia Foster and Jas. T. Nichols to Lula A. Eller.  
 —Mrs. Lula C. Berry, of Statesville, is visiting her father, Esq. Reece, at the Brushy Mountain Iron and Lithia Springs.  
 —Rev. C. W. Robinson has been given a few weeks vacation, and is recuperating at the Brushy Mountain Iron & Lithia Springs.  
 —The choir of Orphans, who will attend the picnic here, will give a concert at the Opera House at North Wilkesboro on the night of the 17th. Let everybody attend.  
 —Mr. Ogburn & wife, Mrs. Shelton, and Miss Bertha Shelton, of Winston, who have been visiting Capt. Blair's, went over to Blowing Rock, Tuesday.  
 —Dick Johnson, Esq., who once lived near Trap Hill, was in town Saturday, returning from Virginia. He is now a successful merchant at Atlanta and is a genial gentleman.  
 —Mrs. Wallace was able to take a little ride Sunday, to the upper end of town and back. It is the first time in seven or eight weeks that she has been able to leave the house.  
 —Jim, Frank and Willis Walker, on one side, and Troy Dancey, S. Shumate, Nixon Vannoy and Jim Stamper, on the other, up in Mulberry, had a young war one day last week. They bruised each other up considerably, but did no serious damage.  
 —The attention of the authorities—both town and county—is called to the fact that there are insufficient hitching facilities here. Most of the racks have been allowed to fall down, or get out of repair. This is a matter very essential. People visiting the town must have some place to hitch.  
 —The town commissioners have passed an ordinance that no merchant shall sell any kind of goods or wares on Sunday, except drugs for medical purposes, or goods for burial purposes. The fine is fixed at \$2.00 for each offense. You'll have to buy your cigars and tobacco on Saturday or do without.

Dr. J. W. White. W. C. Winkler.

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