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LOCAL MATTERS.

Caught Here and There.

—Wm. Beshears, of Jobs Cabin, was in last week to cheer us up a little.

—Court adjourned Friday at noon on account of the condition of the Judge's health.

—The Hustler states that G. W. Holmes has sold out his business at Bristol and will return here shortly.

—We are informed that Tom Tevepaugh has purchased a half interest in the J. A. Parker mills on the Brushies.

—Mr. I. M. Crouch, of Boom er, visited his son here, John Crouch, last week. He had just closed his school at Mount Carmel.

—Leave your laundry for the Statesville Laundry at Call & Combs' store. Your should leave it there on Mondays so as insure its being sent off on Tuesday.

—Some weeks ago we mentioned the serious sickness of our friend R. F. Wyatt, of Millers Creek, and we are very sorry to say that he continues very sick.

—Mrs. Francis Thornburg, widow of the late George Thornburg, died at her home on Brushy Mountain last week. She was quite an aged lady and died of pneumonia.

—The child of aunt Juda Wellborn, colored, died last week from being burned. The child's dress had caught and burned off of it. The child lived something over a day.

—I. S. Call & Co. and Call & Combs have a monopoly on preacher's sons as clerks. The clerks employed in both firms are sons of Baptist preachers. This of course puts Wilkes ahead again.

—Mr. Hugh Cranor returned last week a full fledged lawyer, having successfully stood the examination before the Supreme Court. He was one of the fourteen successful applicants out of the thirty three who applied.

—Wm Saunders, near Straw has a hen which he says lays two eggs a day. He has taken pains to watch the hen and knows it to be a fact. The hen is of an improved stock which he got from Esq. Grant Hendren, of Straw.

—Some of the teachers have gotten mixed up about what the result will be if a whole or fractional number be multiplied by 0. For instance if you multiply 45 or .45 or $\frac{1}{2}$ by 0, what would be the answer? It looks easy of solution to us, but we would like for some of the teachers to solve it.

—"Only one mail carrier went out from Taylorsville last Monday. Others started but returned, stating that the roads were too rough to travel. The Wilkesboro man kept going."

—Taylorsville Scout. (This refers to uncle John Bentley who goes right on, regardless of rain, hail, sleet, snow, mud or no mud, road or no road.)

—Mr. Robert McNeill went to Raleigh Friday to have a specialist to treat his eye which is in a very bad condition. His sister Mrs. S. J. Prevette went with him. Mr. McNeill's eye is very much inflamed and the doctors here advised him to see a specialist at once. We hope his eye will soon be alright again.

—Miss Ruth Forester, of Goshen, is visiting relatives here.

—Esq. Willis Rector died last week near Purlar, at the ripe old age of about 80 years.

—Sanford Caudill, Fairplain, thinks the pig he killed last week is hard to beat; it weighed 450 pounds.

—We understand that Mrs. R. C. Lowe is arranging to bring suit for the division of the estate of her father, Mr. Duncan.

—Tom Finley's bird dog is missing and he would be pleased to have him returned. The dog is 8 months old, white, with a red liver colored head.

—Mrs. Delia Hawkins, an inmate of the home of the aged and infirm, died last week at the age of 61 years. She said she was prepared and ready to die.

—Our friends Henry Moore and Harvey Walker, of the Brushies, were in to see us this week and tell us that the wheat is frozen out badly in that section.

—Mrs. Polly Hanks, near Austin, Trap Hill township, died Tuesday of last week. She was one of the old landmarks, being something near 85 years old. She died of paralysis.

—The Statesville Landmark mentions that there are plans in contemplation for the building of a railroad through North Iredell to either Wilkesboro or Elkin. The natural route would be to Wilkesboro and we hope that the road will be built.

—Mr. James Hubbard left Monday for Independence, Va., where he goes to attend the marriage of Rev. Clifton Rock to Miss Lillian Cox, which takes place today, at the residence of Col. J. W. Vaughn. James is best man. Here's wishing him to get through safe.

—We are informed that our friend Henry Moore, of the Brushies, is having trouble about a fine blooded horse. He got the horse over in Alexander for \$1.50, and after learning its good qualities he gave it as a present a neighbor. The neighbor also found out the excellent qualities of the horse and has endeavored to give back but Moore wont except him, and there's where the trouble comes in.

—We are afraid that Wilkes will not be properly represented at the good roads conference Thursday and Friday. Every body seems too poor to go. And will always be poor until we get some good roads. We had expected to go but the governor, realizing the condition of our orphans, could not consent in his heart to ask us to make the sacrifice. But there are a number in the county who ought to go.

—A very serious fire was very narrowly avoided in the lower end of town last Sunday. The broomsedge back of Mr. McNeill's and Mr. Barber's got on fire and it required prompt and vigorous work to keep the fire from the buildings. The fire originated with some knee pants boys and cigarettes. All such pestilences should be tied in the Devil's Cave at Stone Mountain, so they would be harmless. In our young days the children minded their parents; in these days of "advancement", the parents must obey the kids and shield their cigarette and other meanness with "little white lies." Good Lord, deliver us.

The Bond Case.

The papers last Wednesday announced that the Wilkes and Stanley bond cases had been decided in favor of the railroad by the Court of Appeals, the decision being two—Boyd and Morris—for the railroad, and one—Goff, presiding judge—in favor of the counties. The decision was not expected to be otherwise after the railroad had gotten on the bench two new judges, railroad attorneys. Judge Goff, the presiding officer, who has long and honorable experience and once before investigated this case, decided in favor of the counties in accordance with the U. S. Supreme Court decisions in this matter. The two railroad attorneys rather overuled the Supreme Court and intimate that said court didn't know its business when it rendered the opinion. The case of course will go back to the Supreme Court, and we may expect a favorable decision for Wilkes.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

The following additional proceedings were had by the Co. Coms. which did not appear in last issue;

A claim of \$4.46 was ordered issued to M. O. Call in the case of Amanda Laws.

Paupers allowed claims per month—Mary Bartley \$1.50; Dick Martin, 1.00; Charlotte, C. Osborne, 1.00; Elizabeth Wainscot, \$1.00; W. B. Byrd, 1.50; Moses Blackburn, 1.00.

E. M. Blackburn, transcribing abstracts, \$2.00.

The Hubbard Lumber Co., coffin for pauper, \$1.50.

Claims allowed commissioners—J. S. Holbrook, 22.40; John Davidson, 16.30; W. F. Barlow, 17.50.

Edwards & Broughton, blank records, 11.80.

Walker, Evans & Cogswell, blank records, 8.00.

Combs-Prevette.

Married, on Wednesday the 5th day of February, by the Rev. R. W. Barber, in his parlor, Mr. Arthur L. Combs to Miss Annie B. Prevette, grand daughter of Mrs. M. C. Call.

This is the simple story of what happened last Wednesday while the many friends of the many friends of the bride and groom knew not about it. But we wish them all the happiness that is granted to mortals by Him who rules the universe. Mr. Combs is a prominent and successful young business man here, and a truer, worthier boy never breathed. Mrs. Combs is a daughter of the late Newton Prevette. She is a pretty and accomplished young lady and has been assistant postmaster at this place for some time. May heaven's best blessings accompany them through life.

—"For I have told him that I will judge his house forever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile and he restrained them not." 1 Samuel 3c and 13 verse.

This was spoken of Eli, because his sons Phineas and Hophni became vile and he failed to restrain them. And the boys and father were slain for their wickedness and neglect of duty. There are people right here in town who ought to read this Scripture carefully and then look after their children.

—Auction sale at Finley Bros. store to-day and to-morrow, beginning at 10:30 to day; for the purpose of closing out the remainder of their general merchandise, store fixtures, etc. It will be a rare chance for bargains.

HOMICIDE Near YADKINVILLE.

We learn by phone message that Greenberry Myers was killed Monday night near Yadkinville by Daz Myers. There is little known about it except they were in a drunken row. The fellow who did the killing is short, stout, heavy set, broad faced with black mustache, and is thought to have started in the direction of Wilkesboro.

Quince McGuire's House Burned.

We learn that Mr. J. Q. McGuire's handsome new dwelling house at Riverside was destroyed by fire the first of the week. We have not learned the particulars, but the house and most of the contents were swept away by the flames. It seems that troubles never come singly. Only a few weeks ago McGuire's little son was burnt to death.

Work of the Grand Jury.

The grand jury completed its work and was dismissed last Wednesday, having been in session a week and a half.

The body considered and passed upon 131 bills, finding 84 true and 47 not true bills.

Ten presentments were made. The reports concerning the different offices of the county officers, the jail and the home for the aged and infirm were favorable. Recommendations were made for the enlargement and improvement of the court house.

Special Term of Court.

The bar and court officers have agreed to ask the Governor to call a special term of court for this county for the purpose of clearing up the docket. This ought to be done. The docket as it stands is an immense tax burden on the county; it should be cleared. No time has yet been decided upon, and in deciding it should be remembered that our farmers have to look after raising something to eat this spring. They will be busy on the farm till the middle or last of July. We hope too that if we have to pay for a special term, the judge will run the court and not turn everything over to the lawyers.

—Sheriff Johnson left Monday with three prisoners—Hort Wiles to the Forsyth roads for three months, and Benjamin and Bob Wood to the criminal insane department of the penitentiary. Mr. J. N. Brooks, keeper of the poor house, accompanied the Sheriff. The case of the Wood boys is one which arouses pity. They have been insane and almost helpless since their birth, and have kept by the county for 20 years at an expense of some two or three thousand dollars. They at times become dangerous, although both are nearly helpless, cannot walk and have to be carried about. It seems to be a case where the sins of the parents are visited upon the offsprings. Their parents had the same father and their mothers were sisters—both parents illegitimate, and probably knew not the sin they committed when they married.

—The celebrated Marshall shooting case was continued. A number of the same defendants were tried for resisting an officer and it resulted in a mistrial, the jury standing 10 for conviction and two for acquittal.

—Remember Finley Bros' auction sale to day and Thursday.

—Bud Call is sick with grip.

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