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LOCAL MATTERS.

Caught Here and There.

—Ed. Hobbs and wife are visiting relatives here.

—25c till after the election is all this paper will cost you.

—Mr. J. P. Rousseau and daughter Miss Nellie are visiting in Salisbury.

—Mrs. J. W. McNeill, who has been very sick, is improving, we are glad to note.

—Wm. Hendren, Straw, reports a big mess of new sweet potatoes the 29th of July.

—Mr. William Watts, of Joy Burke county, visited relatives in this county last week.

—L. W. Lonsford, of Lovelace, has a cucumber 15½ inches long and it is still growing.

—Mr. C. L. Shore and family who have been visiting his parents at Ronda, returned Friday.

—Mr. James C. Linney was in town last week. He will probably take charge of the school at Moravian Falls.

—Wellborn Childers' wife in Alexander county died last week. She was the daughter of Esq. A. E. Hendren, of this county.

—Willie Parlier, at Moravian Falls, has killed 11 hawks in two weeks, and he now claims the championship in the hawk killing business.

—Wilkesboro and vicinity are losing a golden opportunity by neglecting to establish a graded school here. Why not talk up the graded school?

—Gerret Coats, a convict, on the turnpike, died of apoplexy Thursday. He was from Madison county and was in for 10 years, says The Hustler.

—J. R. Poindexter & Co. have opened up a new grocery store in the Ferguson & Hubbard building, recently occupied by Call & Co. They are putting in a nice line.

—Arthur Hutchinson was put in jail Friday on the charge of stealing roots from F. D. Forester & Co. There is some probability of his having a chance to "dig roots" on the turnpike.

—C. Call went to Raleigh on Saturday to attend the meeting of the State Board of Elections of which he is a member. Mr. R. A. Doughton, of the Board, is sick with fever and unable to attend.

—Rev. J. J. Beech, of East Bend, and Rev. Mr. Swaim, of Iredell, conducted a very successful meeting at Edgewood, last week. Mr. Beech tells us that he has taken charge of East Bend High school and will open school the 2nd of September.

—Nathan Williams, down on the Rousseau farm, was badly hurt last week. He was hauling water for a threshing machine boiler, and in going up the hill the water barrel overbalanced the wagon, bed backward, throwing the boy violently to the ground. He is improving slowly.

—Mr. Dimmett, a member of the Board of Education, tells us that Edwards township is setting the proper example for the other townships, in that the township has reduced the number of school districts from 15 to 10. Every township in the county should do likewise in the matter of reducing the number of districts.

The Educational Rally at Boomer.

A large crowd attended the educational rally at Boomer Saturday. Dr. Carlisle spoke in the forenoon and held the audience spellbound for an hour and a half. At the conclusion of his speech the good ladies of the community spread the bountiful repast and it goes without saying that the large crowd did it ample justice.

In the afternoon the crowd listened with rapt attention for near an hour to the eloquent and touching appeal by Hon. R. B. White. Short and earnest talks were made by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw and F. B. Hendren which did much good. The exercises were conducted by Supt. C. C. Wright and were interspersed with vocal music. The audience was composed of the best people of Boomer and surrounding community while quite a number were present from various sections of the county. A hand primary was taken just before the close of the meeting which showed almost the entire population of the district in favor of local taxation. It is evidenced that much good was done by the meeting and we are sure that the fruits will be long seen in the already excellent school conducted there. Dr. Carlisle and Mr. White had never been to our county before, hence they were charmed with our mountain scenery and wonderful natural resources and kind and hospitable people. We congratulate the people of Boomer on the success of this the first of a series of rallies to be held in the county.

—Our friend W. G. Earp, of Charlotte, is here looking after the insurance business.

—L. W. Sparks, of Trap Hill, died of Bright's disease last Saturday. He was about 71 years old.

—Harvey Spicer near Joynes postoffice died last week. He was 84 years old and was one of the county's best citizens.

—We have heard it from republicans that Dr. Hamby, of Dockery, would be in the race for the nomination for Clerk on the republican ticket.

—The merchants are here plentifully this week, and there is a sort of stubborn look on their brows which tells of their displeasure at the merchant license tax indictments.

—Mr. Row-Carlton has gone to Richmond to study medicine and his position as book keeper at the tannery has been accepted by Mr. James Hix. Walter Carlton has taken Hix's place with Vaughn, Hemphill & Co.

—J. W. Dimmett, Esq., tells us that the Bugaboo Academy which opened the 5th is free to all the children in that district. Those outside can come in at extremely low prices. Those people intend to have a large and prosperous school and they are taking right steps to realize their expectations.

—Misses Emma and Lizzie Northrop and Mrs. Frank and children, of Wilmington, arrived Friday at the Wilkesboro hotel to spend the summer season. A number of others are coming in from Wilmington to day. Glad to welcome them to the enjoyment of the mountain breezes which sing soothing melodies to the wild waves of the sea.

—WANTED by a lady, in position as book-keeper, type writer and stenographer. Apply to "H" care, Chronicle office.

A HOMICIDE.

Jim Walls Killed by Allen Laws Sunday Night—Laws in Jail.

A homicide was committed near Goshen Saturday night, Jim Walls was killed by Allen Laws. The killing occurred at Sam Laws' house.

Walls, Laws, Will Howell and Jeff Russell were drinking and were at Sam Laws' and were taking supper. Laws stabbed Walls in the thigh cutting the artery, causing death in a half hour.

Laws is now in jail and the trial will probably come up next week.

There are conflicting reports concerning the homicide, Laws claiming that Walls and Howell were on him beating him when he stabbed him. But the evidence before the coronor's jury shows differently. According to this testimony, they were about the table, no angry word had been passed, when Laws stabbed Walls, without provocation. He also attacked Howell with his knife cutting Howell's cloths on the arm and leg. Howell knocked him down and took his knife from him.

Walls lived at Boomer, was about 40 years old and leaves a wife and several children.

Laws is about 50 years old and has a wife and five or six children.

It appears to be a corn liquor case.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Court is going right along, with Judge Shaw presiding and W. W. Barber, acting as Solicitor.

The Judge delivered a very comprehensive charge—one of the best we ever heard. He paid special attention to such matters as perjury, which he says is the most serious, dangerous and most common crime, good roads, (the civilization of the country), retailing, drunkenness, etc. If the precepts of his charge were fully followed we'd almost be in the midst of the millennium.

The homicide case of Shepherd for killing Johnson is set for Friday. The capital case against Laws will come up sometime next week.

The merchant special tax cases are set for to-morrow. Following is the grand jury: J. W. Milam, John Johnson, O. H. Holland, H. Barnett, A. T. Lee, O. F. Blevins, R. J. Gibbs, S. Blackburn, M. S. Gibbs, A. P. Hix, David Laws, J. A. Elledge, R. A. Crysel, H. S. Holbrook, L. M. McGlamery, H. H. Church, T. C. Byrd. Spencer Blackburn was made foreman and Thornton Brown officer.

—Large crowd at court.

—Dr. H. V. Horton and family, of Winston, are here.

—Andrew Cowles, of Gap Creek, has been quite sick.

—T. A. Howell, of Straw, reports ripe tobacco, the first we have heard of.

—Miss Joe Taylor, who has been visiting Mr. Cranors family, returned to her home at Durham, Monday.

—The North Wilkesboro Cornet Band gives one of their most excellent open air concerts at the court house square to night (Tuesday—we print Tuesday afternoon.) An attractive programme will be rendered. A collection will be taken up for the benefit of the band to help defray the expenses of the instructor. Let everybody come out, enjoy themselves and encourage the boys.

KLUTZ BY ACCLAMATION.

A Real Democratic Lovefeast—and Splendid Speaking.

The Congressional convention of the 5th district met at this place the 30th and nominated by acclamation Hon. Theo. F. Klutz to succeed himself in Congress.

The convention was called to order by chairman L. H. Clement of Salisbury, who called Hon. J. R. Lewellyn, of Surry, temporarily to the chair, and upon motion he was made permanent chairman. Editors Robertson and Deal were selected as secretaries.

Every county responded to the roll call. Nominations being in order, Ex Congressman John S. Henderson placed in nomination Hon. Theo. F. Klutz in a splendid short speech and R. N. Hackett, Esq., made an appropriate speech seconding the nomination. With enthusiasm the nomination was made by acclamation.

Hackett, Pell and Waugh escorted Mr. Klutz to the front amid ringing cheers for our next Congressman. He accepted the nomination in a high-toned, ornate, eloquent and touching speech. He expressed his purpose by the help of the democrats to make this the banner democratic district in the State. He proposes meeting Blackburn on every stump, and discuss fully and fairly the political questions. He spoke pleasantly of Wilkes and her people.

It was the first time many of our people ever saw or heard Mr. Klutz and he made a very favorable impression.

Short spicy speeches were made by Porter Graves, candidate for solicitor, Col. Paul B. Means, and others. Graves promised to make it lively for his republican opponent whoever he may be, and felt sure of his election. Col. Means made a pleasing talk. He said he was like the christian longing for heaven, in that he had all his life been anxious to visit Wilkes; now he was here and was happy. He referred feelingly to the late Gen. Gordon and Col. Cowles with whom he served during the war. He mentioned his politically erring brother George in a kind jovial way and said the boy would return and they would kill for him the fatted calf.

The following compose the executive committee:

Alexander—Jno. L. Gwaltney. Alleghany—R. L. Doughton. Ashe—Dr. J. W. Colvard. Cabarrus—Chas. E. Boger. Caldwell—H. T. Newland. Iredell—H. P. Greer. Rowan—John S. Henderson. Stanley—R. E. Austin. Surry—L. G. Waugh. Watauga—J. C. Horton. Wilkes—W. W. Barber.

Hon. John S. Henderson, of Salisbury, was selected as chairman of the executive committee.

It was a sort of a lovefeast ratification meeting and we hope the brethren enjoyed their little visit among us and will come again.

—Brandy Surveys. Having been appointed surveyor and bond-taker for brandy distilleries, I will visit the different townships for this purpose. In the meantime, persons wanting surveys can find me at Ready Branch.

—Of course the rain came. It is natural at court.

Don't cease to labor,

But move steadily on and success is sure to follow. A solid car of Buck stoves and ranges coming in. This stove stands unchallenged for its quick heating capacity and its asbestos packing which prevents burning out quickly as many other stoves do.

My Chattanooga plow is a "thing of beauty and joy forever" to every farmer who buys one. In fact my line of hardware is complete and my prices are right. Come and see me.

J. P. ROUSSEAU.

North Wilkesboro, March 4th.

'Tis Spring Time

COME TO THE FRONT

If you never have before or if you never intend to again, come to the front this spring. The way to do this is to come to our store and buy the latest and most up-to-date goods in quality, style and design.

You can make a dress

out of most any kind of cloth but you can't make a stylish and up-to-date dress unless you have the best material. We have nothing but the BEST. We invite you to come and inspect our NEW SPRING GOODS.

R. A. Spainhour & Co.

The one-price-to-all store.

NOW IS THE TIME

To save your PEACH SEED. We are on the market for a **Large Quantity.** You want to save the small seed, dry them so they will be light; we do not want dark seed.—40 cents.

I. S. CALL & CO.

CLOTHING.

To feel good you must be well dressed. What is the reason we can't furnish you that suit? In a few days we will have in our new stock and a prettier line has never been shown in this old town. We invite all who like to be well dressed to come and examine our stock.

Yours very truly,

Call & Combs

Horton & Wynn,

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