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LOCAL MATTERS.

Caught Here and There.

—Miss Dot Lemly, of Winston, is visiting Mrs. Mott.

—The brick work on the new Baptist church is completed.

—We learn that Mr. Bob Wellborn's child at Goshen has diphtheria.

—L. M. Pharr has gone to Charlotte to look after some business and visit relatives.

—Harvey Johnson, of Raleigh, arrived Monday to visit his sister, Mrs. McNeill who is still very sick.

—Superintendent Wright is visiting the schools in the different districts and is meeting with encouragement.

—Mr. William Barber and wife and Mrs. Jane Barber, of Rowan county, are visiting at Rev. R. W. Barber's. Mr. Will Barber and wife return home to day; Mrs. Jane Barber will remain several weeks.

—In his will, the late Judge Bynum, of Greensboro, made one especially happy soul in Wilkes, and that is old aunt Fanny Kelley, a life long servant of the family. She is willed \$1,000, with Miss Mamie Barber as trustee.

—Our friend Mr. William Bullis, of Moravian Falls, and Miss Annie Brewer, of Knottville, are to be married to day, at the home of the bride's parents, and to night at the home of the groom's parents will be given a big infair supper. We extend them congratulations and good wishes.

—From recent experiences it is safe to venture the assertion that there is danger of "collision" on the Lithia Springs and Moravian Falls road when "courting buggies" turn the curves too close together. This should be remedied, for "foreigners" are often easily frightened.

—The Speaks house near Dan Anderson's was burned down Sunday night and its contents mostly destroyed. It is supposed that it was purposely set on fire, as Speak's daughter who lived there had been at her parent's on Hunting Creek for several days and no one was staying in the house. The loss is not very great.

—Mr. Lindsay Ferguson and others, of Kendall, who were here this week, tell us that Mr. John Steel's two barns, corn cribs and gear house were all burned up Thursday, from a stroke of lightning. Mr. Steel lives near Elkville, adjoining the farms of Dr. Hill Carter and others. He had two large barns in which were stored 22 two horse loads of sheave oats, 14 loads of hay and other feed, beside all the farming tools, vehicles, harness, etc. The loss is \$1,500 or more.

—The conference people have returned from Valle Crucis and report a delightful trip. The people over there are generous and kind hearted, and their doors were thrown wide open. Elkin was chosen as the place for holding the next conference.

The following are the delegates elected to the Annual Conference to be held at Monroe: Frank D. Hackett, Geo. P. Pell, S. W. Brown, W. M. Cundiff, Alternates, W. W. Holsclaw and T. H. Taylor.

—Mrs. Albright, of Greensboro, is visiting Mrs. Lura Cowles.

—The colored campmeeting at Denny Grove is in progress this week.

—Miss Cora Wallace returned to her home at Moravian this week from a visit to East Bend.

—Our next court begins the 20th of October and is for civil cases only. Judge Shaw will preside.

—Esq. William Bumgarner, near Millers Creek, aged about 80 years, is not expected to live. He has nervous trouble.

—There were thirty nine persons baptized at Three Forks church in Alexander last week, the result of a two weeks revival meeting.

—Barney L. Parker, of Richmond, is visiting his parents down on Hunting Creek. He has been quite sick and is home for recreation.

—Two gentlemen from New Jersey are out at Tom Deal's looking at his Brushy Mountain fruit lands. They will probably invest.

—Enos Moore, of the Brush-fes is ahead in the crane business. He killed two large ones last week in one day, one of them measuring six feet from tip to tip.

—Our friend T. J. Smithey has presented us with a nice fan made from the wing of a white crane which he recently killed. The crane measured 4½ feet from tip to tip. The white cranes are a rarity in this section.

—The Wilkesboro-Taylorsville phone line has been completed to Swanner in Alexander county, a phone being placed at the home of Rev. Jeff Bumgarner. It will be but a short time till the line is completed to Taylorsville.

—The wife of Mr. James Caudill died near Millers Creek on Sunday night. She died of consumption. She was the daughter of Thomas Faw, Esq. was something over thirty years old, and was a consistent member of the Methodist church. She leaves a husband and one child.

—Frank Miller, charged with stealing a suit of clothes from Tom Forester, submitted to a verdict of guilty of forcible trespass, and the judge fined him ten dollars and put him under a bond of \$100.00 to appear in one year and show that he had not drunk any for that period of time. The judge told him that he was giving him this chance to help him to yet be a man. It was in evidence that this was the young man's first offense and that being on a drunk was the cause of it.

—The Association convenes here to-morrow. We extend the brethren a hearty welcome and wish for them a pleasant and profitable stay among us. The Association has not met in Wilkesboro since August 1887—fifteen years ago. The changes since then are many, both as to the town and community and also as to the make up of the association. Many old faithful familiar faces have passed over the way and new faces have taken their places in the councils of the association. It was intended to have welcomed the association in the new and splendid Baptist church but it was impossible to get it sufficiently completed. The association will use the Methodist church for part of its sessions.

MANSLAUGHTER.

Allen Laws Gets Fifteen Years for Killing Jim Walls.

Allen Laws was sentenced Friday morning to fifteen years in the penitentiary for killing Jim Walls. He was put to work on the turnpike Monday. Laws submitted, by agreement, to a verdict of manslaughter. It was his only chance of escape and appears to be proper under the circumstances.

Our readers are familiar with the circumstances of the killing. They were published in this paper two weeks ago.

Laws, Walls and others were at Sam Laws' drinking and carousing, and without any visible provocation Laws stabbed Walls in the thigh; Walls died in half an hour. Liquor was at the bottom of it.

It is a very sad and unfortunate affair.

Convicts on the County Road.

The County Commissioners met Friday and arranged to work the convicts on the county roads. Thomas Crysell has charge of them. Four convicts were put to work Monday on the river road at the ford of Moravian creek. They are to work out a mile on the principal roads leading into the two towns first and then an additional mile, and so on. The four at work are J. L. Havener, Sam Vannoy, Arthur Jones and Ruff Brown (the three last are negroes). There are two others, Bob Stamper and Felix Owens, who will go on unless they pay their fines soon.

This beginning at working the roads with convicts will be the beginning of better roads in the county. It will be some expense to the county but that is a necessity. It is a tax paid by the entire county, but will be only a small fraction above what must be paid necessarily for their maintenance in the jail.

By the way, it looks like now would be a good time for the Commissioners to adopt the Alexander road law, which gives every township, a right to vote and levy a special tax to be used on the roads of the township only. If this were done, then as an inducement the Commissioners could let any township have the use of the convicts provided it will pay the extra expenses for guards, etc. This ought to be an inducement to each township to adopt the plan, and we could then soon have better roads. Think about this.

—Miss Jessie Ferguson has returned to Kendall.

—Sunday afternoon was a pretty good time for runaway horses. About night, as Mr. Fate Church was driving in a buggy just this side of the bridge his horse got frightened at some tan bark, backed the buggy off the bank of the road; threw Church, got back in the road and made a lively gate to Wellborn's livery stable where some children narrowly escaped being run over. The shafts were injured; no other damage. About the same time, as Rena Pharr and Sewell Wellborn were leaving Mr. Claud Millers their horse ran away. They were not in the buggy; Wellborn had taken the lines to turn the buggy; the bits broke; the horse started to run, jerking Wellborn down and dragging some distance. He was considerably scratched up. No other serious damage done.

—Mrs. James Wellborn has returned from Ashe.

—Sparta court this week and many of our lawyers are there.

—There were twelve baptisms at Walnut Grove, Monday week ago.

—The watermelon feast at C. U. Davis' Thursday evening was very much enjoyed.

—Mr. Clarence Johnson, of Gastonia, visited his sister Mrs. James McNeill last week.

—A number of young folks enjoyed a social evening at Mr. J. L. Hemphill's Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Shaffer, foreman of the court house force, visited his home at Lowell last week, returning Monday.

—As a result of the revival meeting at Cub Creek last week, thirteen were baptized Friday at the close of the meeting.

—Don't forget the concert Friday night for the benefit of the Baptist church. It will be worth attending and is for a good cause.

—Prof. James C. Linney has taken charge of the school at Moravian Falls. He has the reputation of being a most thorough and efficient teacher.

—The republican county convention has been called to meet September 29th. This is rather a long time to keep so many applicants on the "anxious seat."

—Rev. H. C. Sprinkle's little girl baby died at Mocksville last week, where Mrs. Sprinkle was visiting her parents. Mr. Sprinkle was formerly pastor of the Methodist church at this place.

—Rev. E. P. Greene, Mr. Morrison and wife, Miss Morris Hazel Berry, James Pennell, W. S. Surratt and Miss Badget and others from Wilkes went to Valle Crucis last week to attend the Methodist Conference.

—Mr. Ben Pennell's wife at Moravian Falls died Thursday night, after an illness of some four weeks. She was about forty years old and leaves a husband and several children, the youngest being about a month old. Her maiden name was Estes and she was half Indian. She was a splendid woman and her death is a sad one.

—Maj. Calvin D. Cowles of the U. S. Army, has returned to the United States and is expected to visit his father at this place, Mr. C. J. Cowles, at an early date. Mr. Cowles, after the Cuban war, went with his regiment to the Philippines where he has been actually engaged in service in the province of Mindanao, among the Moros, the most war like and hostile of those people.

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