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THE CHRONICLE.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—J. L. Hemphill made a trip to Burke last week.

Heggie Smith is very low with pneumonia.

—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw visited in Caldwell last week.

—Prof. J. A. Boldin, of Boomer, was in town last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Parks, of Roaring River, are visiting relatives here.

—Mrs. John Bledsoe, of Ashe, visited the family of Dr. Turner last week.

—Miss Maggie Hughey began teaching in Mr. C. N. Hunt's family Monday morning.

—Mr. O. F. Cooper moved his family to Sutherland, Ashe county, this week.

—Capt. Lindsay Ferguson and daughter, Miss Beulah, were in town last week.

—F. F. Johnson offers some good lands for sale in this issue. See his notice.

—Esq. John H. Watts, of Boomer, was among our pleasant visitors last week.

—Hazel Berry and Will Cranor have gone to Ashe to take some horses.

—Mrs. C. A. Sink, of Winston, is visiting her parents at North Wilkesboro.

—L. S. Benbow has some nice jewelry which he wants you to examine.

—Get your premises cleaned up—the town authorities are going to inspect them.

—Dr. Turner was called to Ashe last week on professional business. He returned Thursday.

—Prof. Beaty's pin factory was burned at Summit last week. The factory will be repaired at once.

—Dr. and Mrs. M. V. Burrus arrived last Thursday to make this their home. We welcome them.

—Steven Staley and Mary E. Call, daughter of Lindolph Call, were married the 10th. Esq. T. B. James tied the knot.

—W. F. Marlow and Miss Clara Transou, of Hunting Creek, were married last week. T. B. James, Esq., performing the ceremony.

—We learn that Key & Co's large furniture factory at Statesville was destroyed by fire Monday morning. The loss was about \$50,000, but we do not know what the insurance is.

—Ann McGee's dwelling near Parsonsville was destroyed by fire last Saturday. She was in the field at work and the origin of the fire is not known. Nothing in the house was destroyed.

—Della Barnett, of the Brushies, had a preliminary hearing here Monday on the charge of concealing the birth of a child and was bound over to court. It is certainly a very pitiful case.

—In the commissioners proceedings, we see a contract is awarded for lumber to floor the bridge between the towns. This suggests a little question of economy. This bridge requires a new floor every year. It is estimated by people who know that if the bridge were covered, the floor would last from 5 to 10 years. It can be covered for \$100 to \$150 and it would not be economy to

—Mr. H. B. Nutt, of Surry county, visited Mr. W. H. Starr of this place last week.

—In another column will be found notice of the summer term of the law school at the State University.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McNeill arrived from Raleigh Saturday. Mrs. McNeill is looking well after several months of sickness.

—Reports from different parts of the county are rather gloomy for wheat. The fly is destroying it in large quantities.

—Mrs. Lucy Greer, of Caldwell, and Miss Mollie Land, of Mt. Zion, visited Mr. C. C. Wright's family last week.

—The Boomer people are very hopeful of carrying the school tax election there the 9th of June. It is to be hoped that they will.

—Some of the old reliable weather prophets say we are to have a considerable frost about the 20th of this month.

—Mr. Frank Pardue killed a fish hawk on Mrs. I. T. Prevette's mill pond, one day last week, that measured 7 feet and 9 inches from tip to tip. It was a whopper.

—Young Bob Deaton who has been staying here with his brother Zeb Deaton, left Saturday. He has probably gone to his brother in Mooresville.

—Mr. Joe Long, of Tennessee, and Miss Mary Joiner, of this place, were married here on Monday. Esq. Tom Crysel performed the ceremony.

—The Teachers meeting last Saturday was well attended and was interesting throughout. The next meeting will be in September.

—The new town commissioners say they intend to put the streets and sidewalks in better condition as soon as possible. We are they at least have the right sort of intentions.

—B. C. Beckwith and B. W. Ballard, members of the State Board of Internal Improvements, were here last week inspecting the turnpike. They appeared well pleased with the work that had been done.

—Mr. J. A. Carlton has been appointed registrar for the school election at Boomer in place of J. E. Phillips, who could not serve on account of being a juror at June term of court.

—Dr. White performed an operation last week removing the thumb, fore finger and part of the middle finger of Mansfield Huffman. His hand was badly smashed in a feed cutter which necessitated the operation.

—Mr. P. M. Pearsall, of Raleigh, came up Thursday to inspect the work on the turnpike. When he reached the depot he found a telegram awaiting him announcing that his brother in Georgia had just been killed in a railroad wreck. He left on the same train he came on, for Georgia to attend the burial services.

—The concert at the close of Miss Crowder's school, given Friday night at the Ginnings warehouse, was enjoyed by a large audience. The music, instrumental solos and duets, were excellently rendered by Miss Crowder's music pupils. The dialogues, drills, pantomimes and farces were all well rendered and enjoyed by all.

—All persons due town taxes for 1901 and 1902 will settle by the 1st day of June or I will have to levy and sell after that date.

W. L. Barry Tax Coll.

BURNED TO DEATH.

A Helpless Old Man and his House Burned Together.

On last Saturday, there was a very lamentable occurrence in Elk township. Wm. Saunders, a very aged and helpless old man was burned to death in his own house which was destroyed by fire. The rest of the family was at work in the field, when the house caught on fire. Mr. Saunders was about 80 years old and has been almost helpless for several years. He could not move himself from the bed and could not give the alarm for aid, and was burned to death along with the destruction of the building. Everything in the house was destroyed.

Caldwell to Pattern after Wilkes.

The Lenoir Topic has this to say in reference to the building of a new court house for Caldwell county. It seems that the little leaven that Wilkes put in to the stale court house question is having a "leaving effect upon our neighboring counties. We invite them all to inspect our court house.

The Topic says:—"The County Commissioners are advertising for lots to build a court house on. Messrs. Sigman and Palmer expect to make a trip to Wilkesboro and inspect their new building and it is probable the Board will build for Caldwell on the same plan."

Town Elections

In Wilkesboro, at last Tuesday's election, Dr. J. W. White was elected mayor, and L. Bumgarne, J. H. Lewis, F. B. Hendren and J. T. Wellborn were elected commissioners. This ticket was elected by an average of six majority. At North Wilkesboro, F. D. Hackett was elected mayor and E. F. Safford, J. L. Clements, J. R. Combs, F. D. Forester and A. R. Sherman, commissioners.

Extra Jewelry.

I have a large selection of the finest and prettiest jewelry ever offered for sale in this section of country, and I can sell it cheaper than you can purchase the same quality of goods elsewhere. Besides there is a five year guarantee that goes with every piece and if the jewelry does not prove what it is represented you can return it and get your money. We invite you to come and see the prettiest selections of jewelry ever shown here, and at the lowest prices.

L. S. Benbow.

—Miss Egbert's school entertainment Monday night was excellent in every respect. It was an entertainment by the little folks and they certainly did well, showing that they had been efficiently drilled by an energetic and patient teacher. Every part of the programme was acted well and was attractive and entertaining. Among the prettiest pieces was the "Rock a Bye Lady" by eight little girls with dolls which they lulled to sleep with a charming little lullaby. The cantata, "The Fairy Land" was rendered by the little girls and boys and the scenes and the songs made one feel that he was in a real fairy land.

There were two prizes awarded best lessons and best behavior. Little Miss Gay Holman and Selma Hall won them, and they were presented by Mr. C. H. Cowles in an appropriate little speech.

—Coffee at 5 to 12c at Call's

—See notice of sale of the Mott property.

—Sheriff Johnson has in a notice that should interest tax payers.

—Esq. Jonathan Stout, of Lewis Fork township, was in town last week and gave us a very pleasant call. He is nearly 84 years old and is jolly as a sixteen year old, and he says he is holding his beauty and good looks very remarkably. It was his first trip to town in three years. We are always glad to see him.

—Deputy marshal A. C. Bryan tells us of two peafowls at Jay Hays' on the Brushies which he saw with his own eyes picking off the potato bugs. Mrs. Hays says that these peafowls keep the potatoes entirely clean of the bugs and that they beat paris green or anything else. The peafowl is perhaps the only domestic fowl that will eat potato bugs. Potato raisers should try the peafowl.

—Superintendent C. C. Wright asks us to state that there will be a meeting of the citizens at White Plains, in Edwards township, on Friday May 22nd, at 10 o'clock A. M. to consider the question of consolidating school districts No. 1, 2 and 3 into two districts, either by dividing no. 2 and putting part to each of the no. 1 and 3 districts or else making one district out of no. 2 and 3 and leaving no. 1 as it is. Let those interested attend.

—We have received a very neatly printed and designed invitation for the Oak Ridge Institute commencement which occurs the 20th and 21st of this month, for which we thank our friends Isaac Call, Ira Triplett and Thomas Bumgarner. Mr. Triplett is one of the orators of the occasion and Mr. Call is one of the committee on invitation. Our boys come to the front no matter where they go.

—James Hawkins, who was formerly depot agent here, died on Wednesday of last week at the Morganton Asylum. There never a more pleasant gentleman or more conscientious citizen than Jim Hawkins. He was feeble in frame and overwork and anxiety destroyed his health and mind. He dies a nother monument to the railroad programme of overworking their employes.

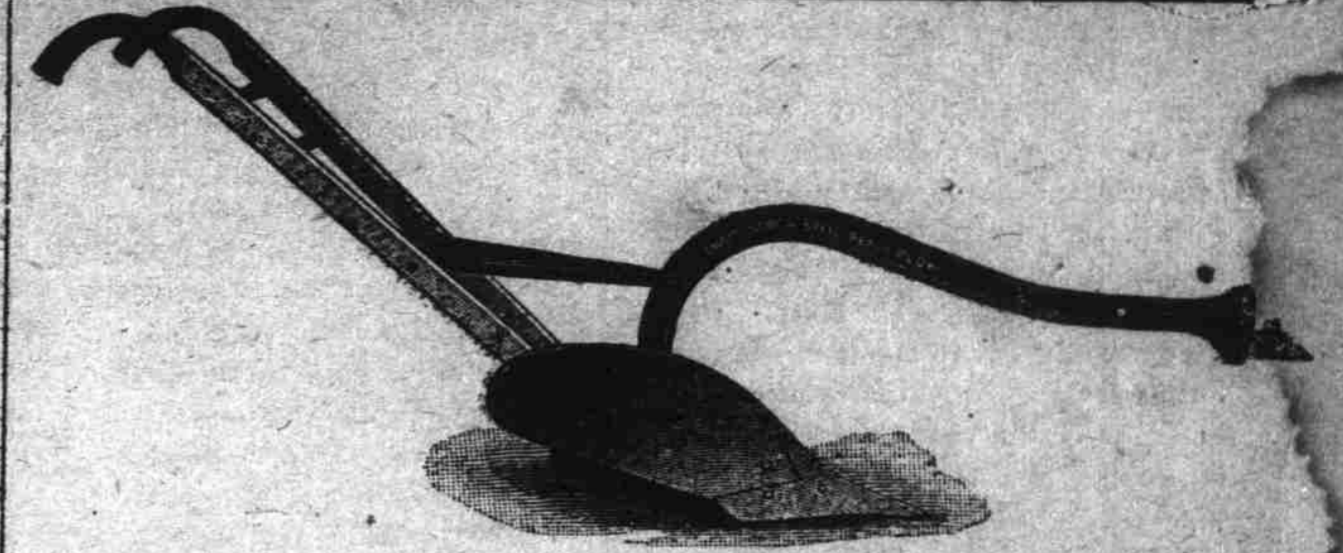
—The new town officers have a first class opportunity for doing something for the streets, sidewalks, and the sanitary condition of the town. Right now is the time to see that the town is properly cleaned up. There has been very little attention paid to this part of the town government for some years, and still it is one of the most important.

—A few nights ago, while all was quiet and the moon was hiding behind May clouds and when honest folks were taking their rest "in slumber sweet and dreams delightful", some unknown inhabitant who had an "aching void" in certain portions of his anatomy, went into Mr. W. C. Winkler's dining room and relieved the same of a quantity of cake, meat, bread and other articles.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

Finest photographs at lowest possible prices at Foreman's Gallery, main street west of Morrison's Hardware Store. Wilkesboro, May 4th 1903.

—Nice line of Ladies Gause from 5c to 30c at Mayberry & Myers.



"Ye rigid ploughmen, bear in mind, your labor is for future hours. Advance, spare not, nor look behind; plough deep and straight with all your powers".

THE SEASON for PLOWING is here. "Ye rigid ploughmen" want the Best plow on the market so that you may prepare thoroughly your land for an abundant crop, without experiencing that "tired feeling" described in Gray's Elegy where "the ploughman homeward plods his weary way." Our plows plow without worry and do well their work. ALL kinds of Farming Utensils, just what you need. ALL kinds of Hardware, Stoves, Cutlery and anything you want. Come and see my stock and prices.

J. P. ROUSSEAU.

North Wilkesboro.

ICE CREAM and Cooling Drinks.

We have a new fountain, Lippincots Best, an Ice Cream cabinet and a complete line of new fixtures which puts us in shape to **Serve the Best Drinks and Ice Cream at all times.**

HEADQUARTERS FOR DRUGS, BOOKS, ETC. Prescription department is in charge Wm. A. Berry, pharmacist.

DOUGHTON'S DRUG STORE.

DRUGS DRUGS

We carry a full line of the Purest and Best Drugs to be found in this part of the State, including all the leading patent medicines, tobacco, cigars, fancy and toilet articles, lamps, colognes, etc.

Drs. Turner & White.

Hotel Building.

SPRING TIME IN DIXIE.

And our New and up-to-date line of Spring and Summer Goods have arrived—the prettiest and most stylish ever shown here.

The ladies are especially invited to examine our new stock before purchasing elsewhere. The gentlemen will find I have the prettiest line of shirts and neckwear in town.

I can save you money in Low Prices. Clarence Call.

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C. F. MORRISON'S Hardware Store. Everything from a Carpet Tack to a reaper and binder always on hand, and we challenge a comparison of the.

Quality Of Our Goods and Our Prices.

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When you need hardware of any kind, Come to See us; we have what you want and Our Prices are the lowest.

C. F. MORRISON.