ARP ON DROUGHTS.

PHILOSOPHER TAKES TIME, TOO, TO TALK ABOUT GRANDCHILDREN.

Politics Get a Word Also—Sage of Stanrow Mentions on the Financial Question and Says Repudiation Makes Him Wheed.

Will Arp in Atlanta Constitution.

Cobe was right. Cobe said we would have rain about the time the drought broke up. Cobe is a man of opinions. I asked him one day how his sabor, Mrs. Jenkins, was; and he said: "She is powerful sick—she is, shore. If she lives till morning I shall have some hopes for her, but if she don't I believe she will die." The long drought has broken at last, and we are all grateful, even if we are not happy. Hard times are on us and a hard winter just ahead of us, but old folks can look back and say it is not as bad as war. I thought that this full moon in conjunction with the equinox would bring us rain, but I wasn't counting on quite so much conjunction in family affairs. The autumnal equinox brought a telegram from Florida announcing the birth of another grandson, Ralph Jr., and before I could answer the dispatch here came the little girls over the hill—all out of breath and wild with excitement—"Mamma has got another little boy, whoopee! the sweetest little boy. Oh, my, ain't you glad, grandma?" Why of course we are glad. When four girls come right straight along in a row it's time for a boy—a boy to grow up and wait on them and defend them and protect them. Two grandsons brought by the same equinoctial gale. Just think of it and ponder. And the old cow has found a heifer calf, besides—a little fawn-eyed Jersey. What's in the wind? And so this little chap over the hill answered the Florida telegram and said: "William Aubrey, Jr., sends greetings to Ralph Smith, Jr., and says hello! how do you like it? Your little cousin.' And so it goes, multiplying and replenishing according to Scripture. Two more for parents to love and cherish and work for and pray for and hope for. Two more to fight the battle of life and have some school boy fights, too, I reckon. Two more to have joy and sorrow mixed, and to bring grief or gladness to their parents. Well, it's a hard time to have an increase in the family, for nowadays even an infant is right smart expense, but Cobe says "everything is adopted and there never was a 'possum born into the world but what there was a 'sinamon tree close by." So let them come. "Hang out your banners on the outer wall, for the cry is 'still they come!'"

We are getting old, my wife and I, but we can welcome a few more grandchildren. I would like to live on a few years for their sake and chide them when they do wrong and praise them when they do right. Sometimes my chiding hurts their mother's feelings, but I don't care. Mothers spoil the boys and fathers the girls, and so it takes a hard old man like me to express my sentiments regardless of feeling. Line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little, there a little. Some time ago I threatened to spank a little grand-child to make her behave, and she looked astonished and indignant as she replied: "Mamma say me too 'little to 'pank." And she was, but the threat did her good. When school days come it takes a power of watching to keep the children straight. They not only leave their lessons, but soon catch on to all the slang and bad words and devilment that other children know. In fact a fond mother who has the worst boys in town told me her greatest trial was the association that her children had with the bad children in the public school. Poor woman—mistaken mother. It would be dangerous to hint to her that her boys were the talk of the town. I remember that about 30 years ago an exacting fractious teacher thumped one of our boys on the head with a book and called me a numbskull. It didn't hurt him much, but it hurt his mother, and she hasn't got over it yet. I don't know what made her the maddest, the "numbskull" or the lick. That is one good thing about the public school system—the teacher is not afraid of the parents, and it is one bad thing, for if he is a partial teacher or a fractious man he ought to be afraid.

A few more weeks of politics, and then we will have peace, at least for a season. How many lies have been told no man knoweth, but they are all recorded, and St. Peter keeps the books. I read the New York Journal and the Constitution every day, and when I get through I know that Bryan will be elected. Then I read—unwillingly—the World, and my faith weakens and my props are knocked from under until the next day. And so it goes. I elect Bryan and Sewall every morning and unelect them after dinner, and it's hurting my digestion. But I'm mad with these gold debaters who keep preaching honest money and talking about repudiation. Dogon 'em, confound 'em! They have depreciated my little property 50 per cent. already. I borrowed $500 on a town lot three years ago when it was worth $1,000 easy, and now I can't get half that sum for it. It has shrunk from an acre to half an acre. It won't pay my debt, and I can't hardly get the money to pay the semi-annual interest. That's a fact. Everything is shrunk but debts and grandchildren. Now, just put me back where I was—pour it back in the jug, and stop all this talk about repudiation and honest money. Do the money lenders want the earth? This strife is between the borrowers and the lenders—the poor and the rich—and all we ask is a restoration of the currency—the equalization of values. Repudiation, indeed! Money represents values, and the debtor class will gladly surrender as much property as the debt calls for, if the property is valued at what it was when the debt was made. After the war notes that were given during the war were scaled according to the law passed by the legislature. They were reduced to a specie basis. A $500 note could be paid with $100 or with $60 or with $10, according to its date. That was right, and it was not repudiation, either. And now if a man or set of men conspire to take away from me one-half the value of my property, let him scale his debt to meet it. Let them place me where they found me. That's justice. It makes me tired to see these bankers and money lenders swell up and talk about repudiation. It's all a one-sided business. "You take the bankard and I'll take the turkey, or I'll take the turkey and you take the bankard." They say turkey to me once. But all's well that ends well.

THEY WILL VOTE FOR BRYAN.

H. P. Nail Company Employes Create a Sensation at Canton and Humiliate Mark Hanna.

Among the delegations of visitors to Canton, Ohio, Saturday, Oct. 3, to call on McKinley was one from Cleveland. It was made up of employes of the H. P. Nail Company of that city. Every man wore a new hat and a new mackintosh. While in Canton many of them declared that the outfit was a gift from Mark Hanna, and that their transportation was paid by the Republicans. They also said that a majority of the visitors were strong Bryan men, but had come to Canton because the excursion was free and they needed coats and hats.

They further asserted that they preferred to come to see McKinley rather than lose their jobs at the instigation of a McKinley foreman. It was when the Cleveland crowd left for home that they became loud in their cries for Bryan.

The delegation went to the Forest City crying:

Who are we? Who are we?
We are for Bryan, don't you see?

"Who paid our fare to Canton?" cried one man.

"Mark Hanna," responded the workingmen.

"Who paid our way back?" was the next question.

"Mark Hanna," was the unanimous answer.

"Who paid all our expenses?" came another query.

"Mark Hanna!" yelled the men.

"Who bought the H. P. boys the coats and hats?" asked a serious citizen.

"Mark Hanna," was the reply.

"And who are we going to vote for?"

"Bryan! Bryan!"

Three cheers were given for Bryan time and time again.

North Carolinian's Sons Must do Their Duty.

Charlotte Observer, Oct. 1.

The day after to-morrow is the second day for registration, and after that but two days remain—the two succeeding Saturdays. The bad report comes from different parts of State that last Saturday the Republicans out-registered the Democrats; the black people out-registered the white people. This ought not to be so, and it is to be hoped that the next Saturday will tell a different story. We know there is more or less defection among Democrats from the national ticket, but there should not be a particle of defection from the State and local tickets. We do not want another such Legislature as that of two years ago, and we do not want a single county which can be saved from them to fall into the hands of the fusionists. The people of Mecklenburg are seeing now in the fifteen black registrars in this county, one of the delights of having a fusion Legislature, and unless an effort is made to defeat them we may see a lot of black magistrates. In these are witnessed, and may be witnessed, the workings of the new election law and of the new county government law, designed to give a beautiful, symmetrical and equitable system of local self-government. Haven't the people had enough?

It may be that there are disgusted ones who have resolved not to vote at all. They should cure themselves of this resolution, but whether they think they may do so or not they should at all events register, for it may be that by election day their minds will have changed and they be anxious to vote at least a part of the ticket. The act of registration is nothing in itself as influencing the election and commits a man to nothing. Therefore register; and do so at the first opportunity.

Bleeding Off his Corns.

Yorkville Enquirer.

The reporter is not trying to be funny. This story is in dead earnest. It may not be especially instructive; but here are the facts, and the reader may take them for what they are worth:

An old Negro dropped into the clerk's office last Thursday on business. There was nothing remarkable about him except his feet, and they were of unusual size for a man of his weight. His shoes were No. 14.

Senator Finley and Clerk Wylie were in the office. Neither of them happened to be especially busy and they engaged the old man in good humored conversation on the subject of his big feet. It was this conversation that developed the story that gives occasion for this story

"You say you have corns," said Senator Finley. "Why don't you get some medicine and cure them up? Get some 'corn killer.'"

"Boss, I'se done tried dat. I'se tried everything and it doan do no good. Why, boss, I tried to blas' 'em out an' couldn't do it."

"Blast them out! What do you mean?" asked both gentlemen in chorus.

"Why, it was dis way," explained the Negro. "I tuck a awl, an' bored down in de corn op dat ar foot, an' den I staff de hole full er powder. I just kep er stuffin' in de powder until de hole wouldn't hol' no mo'. Den I tuck de red hot poker, turn my head off dis way (indicating to one side) and stuck de poker to it."

"And what did it do?"

"It jus' went 'whoof!' and didn't do nuffin."

The old Negro's name is Samson Starr, and he lives in the "Blackjacks." He offered to show Senator Finley and Mr. Wylie the place where he made his novel experiment in blasting if they would give him a quarter; but they didn't take him up. After he was informed as to the identity of the reporter present, he could not be induced to do any more talking. He was afraid it would all get in the paper.

The Blood Vanquish.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

Rev. John Burgan, Keokuk, Iowa, writes: "I have been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 50 years or more, and have never found anything so beneficial, or that gave me such speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery." Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now. Trial bottles free at CURRY & KENNEDY'S Drug Store.

NEW LAW ON REGISTRATION.

and Expound the Fusion Election Law Enacted by the Legislature of '95.

In order that there might be no confusion as to the dates for registration, challenging, etc., the chairmen of the Republican, Populist and Democratic parties held a meeting and entered into an agreement about the matters in question. The agreement is very important and should be read by every voter. It is as follows:

It is agreed by the undersigned that the following is the proper construction of the election law of 1895, Acts '95, chapter 150, and we request the members of our respective parties to follow the same:

1st. In construing sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of said election law:

That all persons are entitled to register on Saturday, September 26th; on Saturday, October 3rd; on Saturday, October 10th; on Saturday, October 17th, and on these days only, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., except as herewith provided—

On Saturday, October 24th, no act shall be done in regard to registration, except the right to challenge, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., any elector whose name may appear on the books.

On Saturday, October 31st, no act shall be done in regard to registration, except to hear and determine all challenges made on October 24th. The hearing shall be had between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m and 4 o'clock p. m. in all precincts except those in incorporated towns and cities, when the hearing shall be had until 9 o'clock p. m.

That any person who comes of age between October 17th and election day, or who is entitled to registration by reason of his residence in State or county, being sufficient time required by law, which time ripened after Saturday, October 17th, shall be entitled to register on election day and vote, and such persons who offer to register and vote on election day may be challenged and said challenge be heard on election day.

A. E. HOLTON,
Chairman Rep. St. Ex. Com.
HAL W. AYER,
Chairman P. P. St. Ex. Com.
CLEMENT MANLY,
Chairman Dem. St. Ex. Com.

The People are With Him.

St. Louis Republic.

There is inspiration for the Democratic masses in the contrast presented by the forecasts of the Bryan managers and the Hanna men.

On the Republican side the certainty of McKinley's election is predicted from the long roster of special interests with a stake in politics which are using their means and powers to pull the friend of monopoly through. The great combines that are expected to contribute slush and control their employes are cited as on the side of McKinley and sure to secure his election.

On the other hand, the Democratic managers cannot cite a single trust or corporation that will give a dollar or turn a finger to elect Bryan. But it can point to the toiling masses, whose labor supports all this magnificent structure of business organization.

The polls of workingmen and of farmers and of all the industrious throngs who make up the plain people and the bone and sinew of the country show an enthusiastic, growing, winning faith in the Democratic party and its earnest and brilliant young leader. The last statement of the Democratic campaign manager was full of confident expectation, based upon sound evidence of popular majorities in a great majority of the States.

The more the Republicans exploit their combine of special interests the clearer must be the view of the people that their hope of justice and progress lies in the election of Bryan.

Two Reasons.

Harper's Round Table.

There is an Irish porter employed in a large commission house in New York—one of the kind that will make witty reply to any sort of question. He is very fond of expressing his views in general, and has great admiration for his arguments. If he fails to get a listener, he will talk to himself in lieu of something better. A member of the firm, being annoyed once at his constant muttering, which he was unfortunate enough to hear, sent for him.

"See here, John, did it ever occur to you that your constant talk and muttering is a great annoyance to people that happen to be around? Why on earth do you chatter away to yourself, anyhow?"

"Shure I have two raysons for doin' that."

"Two reasons! Well, what are they?"

"One of them is that I loike ter talk to a sinsible man, and the other is that I loike ter hear a sinsible man talk."

Bryan Will Carry Maryland.

Josephus Daniels in Raleigh News & Observer.

In Baltimore I saw Mr. John R. Morris, the well-known popular drummer whose contributions to the press make him well known throughout North Carolina. He has been an opponent of free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1, as is well known, but he is a Democrat with a big D. "I have never seen anything like the change in sentiment here," he said. "Three weeks ago there was no chance for Bryan in Baltimore. Too tide against him was so strong that I did not think it could be stemmed, but almost before a strawberry could ripen there has come a change, and now it looks like no power could prevent his carrying Maryland."

Are you insured? If not, now is the time to provide yourself and family with a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as an insurance against coughs, colds and croup. Mothers will find this remedy especially adapted to croup and whooping cough. It will give almost immediate relief and is safe and pleasant. We have warranted it and it has never failed to give the most perfect satisfaction. G. W. RICHARDS, Manager Eagle Drug Store, Duquesne, Pa.—The above card to the public was sent out by this firm to their customers. They know this to be a medicine of great worth and merit, and did not hesitate to recommend it. For sale by J. E. Curry & Co., druggists.

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For President,
WILLIAM J. BRYAN,
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For Vice-President,
ARTHUR SEWALL,
of Maine.

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For Governor,
CYRUS B. WATSON,
of Forsyth.

For Lieutenant Governor,
THOMAS W. MASON,
of Northampton.

For Secretary of State,
CHARLES M. COOKE,
of Franklin.

For Treasurer,
BENJAMIN F. ATCOCK,
of Wayne.

For Auditor,
ROBERT H. FURMAN,
of Buncombe.

For Attorney General,
FRANK I. OSBORNE,
of Mecklenburg.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction,
JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
of Johnston.

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A. C. AVERY, of Burke,
GEO. H. BROWN, Jr., of Beaufort.

For Electors, State-at-Large,
LOCKE CRAIG, of Buncombe,
W. C. DOUGLAS, of Moore.

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

For Congress,
RUFUS A. DOUGHTON,
of Alleghany.

LEGISLATIVE TICKET.

For Senate—42nd District,
JAS. A. ANTHONY, of Cleveland.
M. H. JUSTICE, of Rutherford.

House of Representatives,
J. M. WILSON.

GASTON COUNTY TICKET.

For Sheriff—W. T. LOVE.
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—Attorney and Counsellor at Law,—

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Notice to Defendants.

NORTH CAROLINA, Gaston County. } Superior Court. Before the Clerk.

M. N. Hall, administrator of the estate of W. R. McLean, deceased. vs. W. W. McLean and others. } NOTICE.

Alma Smith, J. B. Smith and Edgar Bell McLean, defendants, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Gaston county for the purpose of obtaining leave to sell the land specified in the plaintiff's complaint to make assets to pay the debts and charges of administration of the estate of W. R. McLean, deceased, and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gaston county at his office in Dallas, N. C., on the

22nd day of October, 1896,

and answer or demur to the plaintiff's complaint which is now on file or the relief prayed for will be granted.

G. H. DAVIS, C. S. C.

This 4th day of September, 1896.
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Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of A. Gobin, deceased, I hereby notify all persons having claims against the deceased to exhibit the same in me on or before the

20th day of August, 1897,

or this notice will be plead in bar thereof.

T. G. PALLA, Admr.

This 20th. day of August, 1896.

SALE OF LAND AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

By virtue of the power vested in me by the last will and testament of James F. Harrison, deceased which said will is docketed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gaston county, N. C., I will sell to the highest bidder on the premises in Cherryville township in said county, at two o'clock p. m., on

the 16th day of October, 1896,

a tract or parcel of land situated in the township, county and state aforesaid, adjoining the lands of Finley Mauney, Jas. C. Hoover, Lisha Dellinger, D. M. Harrison, J. A. Carpenter and Rebecca Bros., containing 115 acres, more or less, and known as the James F. Harrison home place. Said lands will be sold in parcels to suit purchasers, and as a whole, and deed made to purchaser upon payment of the entire purchase price. Terms of sale: One-third of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale and the balance in equal installments on a credit of twelve and eighteen months.

M. L. ROBBINS, Executor.

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Notice.

Having qualified as administrator with the will annexed of Robert Craven, deceased, the undersigned hereby gives notice to all persons holding claims against the said estate to present them duly authenticated on or before the

4th day of September, 1897,

or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. W. A. PRAMPIN, Administrator.

This 8th day of Aug. 1896.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of H. J. Harris, deceased, I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said deceased to present them for payment on or before the

10th day of September, 1897,

or this notice will stand in bar of their recovery. R. O. GILLIAM, Administrator.

Sept. 10, 1896.

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Notice to Defendants.

NORTH CAROLINA, Gaston County. } Superior Court Before the Clerk.

C. P. L. Hoffman, Administrator of the estate of W. C. D. McLure, deceased. vs. Thomas M. McLure and others. } NOTICE.

To James A. McLure, Nancy Cook and J. F. Cook, defendants: You will take notice that a Special Proceeding, entitled as above, has been commenced in the Superior Court of Gaston county, N. C., for the purpose of obtaining leave to sell the lands mentioned in the petition (which is on file in said Court) to make assets to pay the debts of said intestate, and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gaston county, N. C., on the

12th Day of October, 1896,

and answer or demur to plaintiffs' petition or the relief therein demanded will be granted.

G. H. DAVIS, Clerk Superior Court.

This 8th day of August, 1896. AUG1—6

Notice to Defendants.

NORTH CAROLINA, Gaston County. } Superior Court. Before the Clerk.

M. N. Hall, administrator of the estate of Jacob Linebarger, dec'd. vs. Eli N. Linebarger and others. } NOTICE.

Miriam Wilson, James Wilson, Emma Linebarger, Newton Linebarger, James Linebarger and Mary Linebarger, defendants in the above entitled cause, which is a special proceeding to obtain leave to sell land to make assets to pay debts and charges of the administration of the estate of Jacob Linebarger, deceased, will take notice of the fact that such action has been commenced in the Superior Court of Gaston county, N. C., and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county in Dallas, N. C., on the

22nd day of October, 1896,

and answer or demur to the complaint which is on file, or the relief prayed for will be granted.

G. H. DAVIS, C. S. C.

This 7th day of September, 1896.
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Executrix Notice.

Having qualified as executrix of R. A. Mauney, late of Gaston County, N. C., I hereby notify all persons having claims against said deceased to exhibit them to me on or before

the 20th day of September 1897,

or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate settlement.

MARY MAUNEY, Executrix.

This 12th day of September, 1896.

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BILLS! BILLS!

BIG BARGAINS IN BILLS.

Here are some odd lots of Statements and Bill Heads to be turned into cash before October 1. There is a bargain in every lot named, but cash must accompany order. Positively, we will not set a type or turn a wheel on any job mentioned below until the money is in our hand.

Bill Heads.

NO. 3—SIZE, 8½ INCHES WIDE BY 9¾ INCHES LONG.

One lot 500 for $1.30.
One lot 500 for 1.15.
One lot 200 for .65.

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NO. 4—SIZE, 8½ INCHES WIDE BY 7 INCHES LONG.

One lot of 6,000—
Prices: 500 for $1.05.
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One lot 1,000 for $1.35 or 500 for 80 cents.
One lot 2,000 for $2.35; or 1,000 for $1.30; or 500 for 80 cents.
One lot 1,500 for $2.20; or 1,000 for $1.50; or 500 for 90 cents.

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Statements.

SIZE, 5½ INCHES WIDE BY 8 INCHES LONG—20 to 23 LINES.

One lot 2,500 for $3.15; or 1,000 for $1.50; or 500 for 85 cents.
One lot 2,000 for $2.90; or 1,000 for $1.60; or 500 for 95 cents.

One lot 500, 4½ wide by 8½ long, 23 lines, for $1.00.
One lot 500, 5½ inches wide by 8 inches long, 16 lines, blank space top and bottom, for $1.15.

Shipping Tags.

One odd lot 500 very small ones for 65 cents; or smaller quantity at 25 cents per hundred.

Send cash with copy. Prices like these for job printing are too low to book, to bill, to go after, or to take any other chances on. If you don't want to plank down cash with copy in order to get these bargains, just stand aside and make room for the other man who will.

These bargains are going. Get them while you may—and get them before October 1. We don't expect a one of them to be left at that date.

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4th day of September, 1897,

or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

C. C. CROMWELL, Administrator.

This 8th day of Aug., 1896.

FOR SALE AND MUST BE SOLD.

The High Shoals Lands are for Sale Upon Reasonable Terms as to Price and Credits.

To wit: One-third cash and balance upon one and two years credit. I will sell either all in a body or plantations to suit purchasers. These lands are valuable farming lands, convenient to factories and markets and must be sold.

J. L. Thornburg, near High Shoals, is my agent to make contracts of sale, subject to ratification by me. He has maps of the lands and will show the lands and make contracts of sale.

W. P. BYNUM, Pres. of Co.
and Trustee to sell.

April 15, 1896.

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Gaston county, N. C., made on the 22nd day of September, 1896, in the Special Proceeding entitled "Mary Clonninger, ex parte against Mary Clonninger," I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Dallas, N. C. at 12 o'clock M., on the

2nd day of November, 1896,

a certain lot of land situated in Mount Holly, N. C., and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at a corner of the Baptist church lot and runs at right-angles to Main street, 16 poles to T. R. Garner's line, thence with his line 5 poles to Emma Henderson's corner, thence with her line 16 poles to Main street, thence with Main street 5 poles to the beginning corner.

O. F. MASON, Commissioner.

This 22nd day of September, 1896.

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E. L. BAXTER DAVIDSON, } Executors.
JNO. R. GAYNOR, } Estate of A. R. Davidson.

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Leave Chester	8 20 a m	7 50 a m
Leave Lowrysville	8 59 a m	8 05 a m
Leave McConnellsville	9 16 a m	8 20 a m
Leave Guthrieville	9 23 a m	8 45 a m
Leave Yorkville	9 45 a m	10 05 a m
Leave Clover	10 07 a m	10 30 a m
Leave Gastonia	10 54 a m	12 10 p m
Leave Dallas	11 12 a m	12 28 p m
Leave Lincolnton	12 15 p m	1 30 p m
Leave Newton	1 02 p m	2 20 p m
Leave Hickory	1 20 p m	2 50 p m
Arrive Lenoir	2 47 p m	4 40 p m

GOING SOUTH.	No. 61.	No. 9.
Leave Lenoir	8 00 a m	3 20 p m
Leave Hickory	8 42 a m	4 31 p m
Leave Newton	9 10 a m	5 14 p m
Leave Lincolnton	9 39 a m	5 38 p m
Leave Dallas	11 12 a m	6 43 p m
Leave Gastonia	12 06 p m	6 54 p m
Leave Clover	1 01 p m	7 28 p m
Leave Yorkville	1 25 p m	8 00 p m
Leave Guthrieville	2 55 p m	8 22 p m
Leave McConnellsville	3 06 p m	8 39 p m
Leave Lowrysville	3 20 p m	8 46 p m
Arrive Chester	4 10 p m	9 20 p m

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