

STATE NEWS.

The Clayton Telephone Company has now in use fifty telephones and is installing new ones.

Edgar Crosby, eleven years old, was drowned Friday in a pond at Cliffside Mill in Rutherford County. He accidentally fell in the pond.

The contract for the new Y. M. C. A. Building at Winston, to cost \$40,000, was awarded Saturday to the Fogle Bros. Co., of that city.

Hydrophobia has broken out among the cattle of the Hannersville section in Davidson County and a large number has had to be killed.

A hail storm extending over a section of more than twenty miles across the entire eastern section of Union County, Monday afternoon did great damage to crops.

Stock to the amount of \$2,550 has been subscribed to the Statesville Air Line Railroad in Statesville. With this amount the preliminary survey is assured.

Mr. Elias Carr, of Edgecombe County son of the late Gov. Elias Carr, has been appointed chief clerk to the Commissioner of Agriculture to succeed Mr. W. A. Graham, Jr., resigned.

Frank Jenkins, a blacksmith, of Wilson, was probably fatally stabbed Saturday night by Fred Hyman, another negro. Jenkins was quarreling with another man, when Hyman stabbed him in the back.

The dead body of Oscar Kearns, with two bullets in it, was found in the woods east of High Point Monday evening. It is the opinion that Kearns, who is colored, was killed in a gambling row.

Prof. F. M. Harper, a native of this State, formerly of Kinston, and a graduate of the University, has been elected superintendent of the Raleigh graded schools to succeed Prof. E. P. Moses, resigned.

The barn of County Commissioner Albert Wharton, near Clemmons-ville, Forsyth County, was struck by lightning Sunday afternoon and burned, with seven horses and a lot of farm machinery and feed.

Salisbury had a fight Saturday morning that beats the band. Three couples fought, all strangers in town. One had no legs, one had no feet and the third was minus an eye and an arm. All were put in the lock-up.

Hereafter drug stores in Durham will sell only drugs on Sunday. No drinks, cigars, cigarettes: nothing but drugs on the prescription of a physician. This is a municipal ordinance and a violation means a fine of \$25.

The Methodist Orphanage located near Raleigh, reports 115 children present, with room for about 150. From the beginning this excellent institution has made steady progress, and won friends for itself among the churches.

Policeman Johnston, of Charlotte, shot and seriously if not fatally wounded Jim Crawford, colored, in Charlotte Sunday morning while he was trying to arrest Crawford for alleged criminal assault on a seven-year-old negro girl.

The report of the death of Mrs. Grindstaff, who was injured in the wreck on the Murphy branch of the Southern last week, was an error. She was so seriously hurt that one limb had to be amputated, but her recovery is hoped for.

The entire plant of the Mount Olive Tribune Publishing Company, including their newspaper and job presses, together with a large stock of material and the entire office equipment was destroyed by fire about two o'clock Wednesday night. Origin of the fire is unknown. Partially covered by insurance.

The thirteen-year-old son of D. P. Biles, of Stanly County, has been missing from home for a week. The parents have made every effort to locate the boy, but to no avail. It is believed that he was taken from home by a designing enemy of the family.

Reports generally agree that the wheat crop in this section will be the best for years. A gentleman who sells harvesting machinery and whose business it is to keep posted on the crop, says it will be the best in five years, says the Statesville Landmark.

People who have court costs tied up should not lose heart. The Monroe Journal records that the former Clerk of Superior Court of Union County, who retired from office near seventeen years ago, received fees a few days ago that had been due for twenty years.

The Whitney Company, which is developing water power on the Yadin, announces that after January 1, 1908, it will furnish electric power at reasonable rates to any factory within forty miles of its plant. Already 40 per cent of the available plant has been contracted for.

The case of G. M. Patterson, of Mooresville, who was arrested for a murder committed in 1898 in South Carolina, was heard before Judge Moore in Asheville, and Patterson was released, it being shown plainly that he was not Upchurch, the murderer, and that the arrest was due to mistaken identity.

Friday afternoon a buggy driven by Misses Maud and Annie Landreth, daughters of Mr. C. E. Landreth, of Greensboro, was run into by a runaway team belonging to Mr. Hester, of that city. The buggy was completely demolished and Miss Maud Landreth sustained some painful though not serious wounds.

Frank May, a well-known young man of Greensboro, made an unsuccessful attempt to end his life Tuesday afternoon by drinking the contents of two two-ounce bottles of laudanum. Only the timely arrival of Dr. J. W. Tankersly, who was hastily summoned, prevented the accomplishment of his purpose.

On Sunday afternoon, lightning set fire to the steeple of the First Methodist Church at Statesville, doing damage to the amount of \$2,000. It was about twenty minutes after the stroke before any fire was seen. The fire company did most excellent work in saving the main part of the building.

W. L. Smith and W. L. Berry, railroad contractors, who are building a road from a point in Georgia into Macon County, were tried in the Federal Court at Charlotte last week on the charge of peonage—working a lot of negroes and keeping them restrained against their will, and cruelly treating them. There were many charges of cruelty, but the jury acquitted the defendants.

In Warren County Superior Court this week Jim Harris, who some time ago killed Henry Dickson, was acquitted. Harris, who it seems is peculiar had been made the butt of jokes and ridicule. Dickson especially tormented him. At the time of the homicide Harris resented the teasing of Dickson and the latter abused and threatened him. Harris got a gun and when Dickson started to attack him he killed him.

The famous Ballou iron mines of Ashe County, which have been so prominent in the public eye since the will of Napoleon B. Ballou was broken in 1899, and upon which the Pennsylvania Steel Company recently spent \$46,000 in investigations, have been sold to the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company, who operate about a dozen furnaces along the line of the Norfolk & Western Railway.

The building used by the medical department of the State University as a storage house for bodies for dissecting purposes, was burned Thursday night. The loss is estimated at \$1,000, with \$400 insurance. Eleven bodies stored in an iron vat in the building were saved but some skeletons were burned.

North Wilkesboro Hustler: Jeff. Horton, who is charged with robbing the Jefferson mail, was arrested at his home in the Blue Ridge Wednesday and placed in jail after a preliminary hearing before Commissioner Dula. Horton claims that he was held up by two men and the pouch robbed by them.

Rev. Byron Clark, now pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Mt. Washington, Md., has been called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church at Salisbury. Mr. Clark, who is a native of this State, was recently called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of Concord, and it is understood he has declined that call.

Ten nurses of the Wilson Sanatorium have gone out on a strike. All kinds of reasons are assigned. On June 11th the head nurse went to her home to spend her annual vacation. While there the institution wrote to her and asked for her resignation. She acknowledged receipt of the letter stating that she would soon return to Wilson for a settlement. She returned Saturday, and the settlement was amicably made yesterday morning, a check being drawn in her favor up to July 1st. Five of the other nurses expressed themselves saying if the head nurse left they would follow, and they did do so at once.

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