

I love the tales of fairy land  
I'm charmed with Arabian story,  
I love to read of armorial  
knights.  
Whose only thought was  
honor glory.  
I love the sweet and sunny South  
With blossoms, birds and  
fountains.  
I love the icefields of the North,  
And Greenland's icy mountains.  
I love the land where freedom  
reigns  
And mankind are equal ever.  
Our fathers fought this land  
to save  
Their sons will lose it never.  
I love its laughing waterfalls  
Its rivers, lakes and fells,  
I love its laughing meadows  
bright  
I love its forest covered hills.  
Our railroads over all the  
land  
And tunnels through the ground,  
Electric wires above them rise  
Swift messengers of sound.  
Like Jonah's gourd our  
cities rise  
With stately spires adorning,  
And grainfields smile where  
forests frowned  
To hail the glorious morning.  
I love all these with all my  
heart  
The North east and west,  
But of all the country's  
ever saw,  
I love Watauga best.  
It is a country in the hills  
That can't be hid you know,  
It spreads over many brooks  
That flows through valleys low.  
It wears a calm and peaceful  
look  
Its farms are broad and clean,  
Our home speaks of taste and  
thrift  
As fine as ever seen.  
Our churches with their  
towering spires  
Direct our thoughts up to  
the sky.  
Our schoolhouses on the hills  
Speaks of education high.  
We represent all crafts and  
trades  
Lawyers, Merchants, Doc-  
tors and Teachers,  
And all we need to make us  
good  
Are real old fashioned preach-  
ers.  
Our creeds are very numer-  
ous  
Of course we all are in the  
right,  
And wonder at the heathen  
round  
Who cannot see the light.  
We are a very pious lot  
And shut our eyes to sin,  
And try by every christian art  
To ead the wonders in.  
Yes, we do all the good we can  
In our humble, modest way,  
Still they'll not leave their  
sinful life  
Nor try to walk the better way.  
Of course we have our little  
faults  
And elections is exciting,  
we often use a little slang  
And don't object to fighting.  
We talk of all our neighbors  
faults,  
And think it does them good  
We cannot see why they  
won't do.  
Just as we think they should.  
Our council are both brave  
and bold  
And will see justice done to man,  
While prohibition is their cry  
They advocate the whisky plan.  
They think the town trade  
will be lost  
If rum's not bought and sold,  
They do all they can to make  
a cent  
And that's what makes them  
bold.  
Our country is growing  
very fast  
Our laws are very loose,  
And so to keep all things  
right  
We ought to build a cala-  
boose.  
Still our country is in a  
prosperous way  
And famed in verse and story,  
And surely in no distant  
day,  
Will crown our country with  
glory. M. C. H.

#### HOW LONG.

How long at length oh Har-  
rison, will your unbonded  
audacity boast itself? How  
long will you abuse our pa-  
tience? Do you suppose any  
of us have forgotten the ma-  
ny promises you made  
through out this broad land  
before you were elected? Of  
how labor should receive  
its just reward? Of how we  
farmers were to be protected  
in the sale of our products?  
Do you suppose any of us

are ignorant of the fact that  
they not only remain unfilled  
but that our condition has  
grown twenty five per cent  
worse since the election? in-  
stead of a revival of business  
there has been a marked de-  
cline in all branches, except  
the *Internal Revenue business*  
which seems to require more  
men to run it than formerly.  
Instead of increased wages  
there has been a reduction of  
twenty percent. Instead of  
the continued decrease in the  
public debt there has been  
an increase of several millions  
in the last two months, while  
the same high taxes are with  
us. Instead of three cents  
for our fat cattle as received  
last year they are worth only  
two cents, and not want-  
ed at that. Times are get-  
ting harder and harder for  
us farmers because under  
your policy we have to sell  
what we raise in "free trade"  
England and buy what we  
consume in protected Ameri-  
ca. A policy which makes  
us sell in competition with  
the pauper labor of the whole  
world and denies us the right  
to buy only from a protected  
few corporations and trusts  
will not be likely to give us  
better times soon. So we  
will have to try and stand it  
for three years longer.  
Sept. 28th, 1889—Farmer.

#### PLow DEEP.

Now that the season for  
sowing wheat, and fallowing  
land for next year's crops is  
at hand, it may not be im-  
proper to offer your readers  
some thoughts on the impor-  
tance of deep plowing.

But before beginning it is  
well to remember that the  
atmosphere is the most effec-  
tive fertilizer known to agri-  
culturists; and that the dews  
and the showers dissolve the  
particles of earth, thus ad-  
mitting to them the fructify-  
ing properties of the air.

Plow deep, 1st. that the  
air and moisture may pene-  
trate the soil and combine  
their fruitfulness with the  
plant food already contained  
there.

2nd. It loosens the sub-  
soil, thus draining the sur-  
face and forming a reservoir  
from which to supply mois-  
ture in dry weather.

3rd. The land is rendered  
porous to a greater depth  
giving the rootlets a better  
chance to permeate the soil  
in search of plant food.

4th. Deep plowing turns  
the subsoil and even clay, to  
the surface, giving the dou-  
ble advantage, of killing any  
insects which might be in it,  
and of exposing it to the dis-  
integrating effects of the frost  
and rain, thus making the  
soil deeper and more produc-  
tive.

„Plow deep while sluggards  
sleep and you will have corn  
to sell and to keep..  
—Kentuckian.

Elk X Roads, N. C.

Sept. 30th, 1889.

For the DEMOCRAT;

We are sorry to learn that  
Mr. R. L. Jones is seriously  
ill and not expected to live  
Mr. J. W. Stephens is just re-  
covering from a severe at-  
tack of milk sickness. —The  
semi-annual convention ser-  
vice at South Fork Church  
next Sunday. —Farmers very  
busy making sorgum cut-  
ting corn &c. —Corn cane  
and a vast amount of fodder  
injured by the late frost  
which has been very severe  
in some sections. —The  
school Committee of district  
47, this county has agreed

to not have any school this  
year, but to spend the mon-  
ey to build a school house.  
If we were allowed to drop  
a word right here, we would  
say we think this is wrong.  
We ought not to take the  
children's money given by  
the government to educate  
them, to build public school  
houses. By doing this we  
cause the children to sustain  
a loss that can never be re-  
paired. If we do act thus it  
should be as a last resort.  
I want to ask every school  
teacher in Watauga county  
to send me at once, the  
number of pupils enrolled,  
average attendance, grade of  
scholarship of farthest ad-  
vanced pupils, length of time  
and any other particulars  
you may wish to send in.

Be explicit and comply  
with above request as I want  
accurate statistics. Address  
me as above. —Wm. H. Mc-  
Guire.

#### STATE NEWS.

One hundred and two miles  
of railroad have been laid in  
North Carolina thus far dur-  
ing 1889.

Charlotte and Asheville had  
very heavy storms of wind  
and rain Monday night, do-  
ing some damage.

The *Durham Sun*, a bright  
and interesting little daily,  
changes from an morning to  
an afternoon paper.

Julian S. Carr, Esq., of Dur-  
ham, has been selected for  
Chief marshal of the Fay-  
etteville centennial celebra-  
tion and has accepted.

The *Press and Carolinian*,  
printed yesterday, says the  
Hickory fair is an abundant  
success. The exhibits are  
gratifying and the atten-  
dance good.

The number of Government  
distilleries in Wilkes has  
dropped to 13. Assessments  
for back taxes and the cut-  
ting down of tubs have re-  
duced the number to this.

Memphis contractors have  
taken the contract for the  
grading of the section of the  
Charleston, Cincinnati & Chi-  
cago Railroad between Mari-  
on, N. C., and Minneapolis,  
Va.

The *News* learns that the  
town of Mt. Airy is to be  
sued by Maj. Rawley for cut-  
ting down his shade trees—  
the trees on the street in  
front of his property, we su-  
pose.

A colored man and his wife  
quarreled and fought in Wake  
county last Saturday and  
she literally hacked him to  
pieces with an axe. He was  
found lying dead in his house.

The *Wilmington Review*  
says North Carolina can  
challenge the world on fine  
beef and refers to Ashe coun-  
ty beef now on the market  
which New York nor Balti-  
more cannot beat.

The *Marion Free Lance*  
says the wheat crop of Col.  
J. S. Brown, of McDowell,  
measures up 1626 bushels.  
On a ten acre field he raised  
444 bushels—an average of  
44 2-5 bushels per acre.

Rev. R. G. Pearson, the  
evangelist, dedicated the  
Young Men's Christian Asso-  
ciation building at Charlotte  
last Sunday and is holding a  
largely attended and inter-  
esting meeting there this week.

W. W. McGalliard, one of  
those accused of being in the  
lynching party at the Mor-  
ganton, indignantly denies  
that he had anything to do  
with the affair. He says he

can prove that he was at  
home with his wife and fami-  
ly at the time.

A correspondent of the  
*Asheville Citizen* says that J.  
B. Holmes, of Fairfield, Ill.,  
an enlarger of pictures, was  
found dead last Friday even-  
ing on "Lover's Leap," a  
mountain spur near Eot  
Springs. He is supposed to  
have died of heart failure,  
the result of his exertion in  
climbing the mountain.

The crowd of negroes bound  
from Wilmington to Missis-  
sippi, left last week according  
to appointment. There were  
48 families. The *Star* says  
they contract to pick cotton  
in the Mississippi valley at  
50 cents per hundred, their  
employers advancing their  
railroad fare, which is taken  
from their wages.

#### NOTICE.

By order of an execution  
issued from the Superior  
Court Clerks office of Watau-  
ga county in favor of P. F.  
Mast and against E. B. Mil-  
ler tri and W. N. Thomas  
surety for the sum of \$37.62  
together with interest and  
costs. I will expose to pub-  
lic sale for cash to the high-  
est bidder at the court house  
door in Boone N. C., on the  
4th day of Nov., 1889, it  
being the first Monday in  
said month. E. B. Miller's  
interest in the following de-  
scribed lands one tract lying  
in Beaver Dam township ad-  
joining the lands of G. W.  
Cable and others, known as  
the Wm. R. Miller tract.  
Second tract lying in Mead  
Camp L. S., on the waters of  
Meat Camp creek adjoining  
the lands of J. L. Woodding, J.  
H. Brown and others known  
as a part of the Isaac Green  
tract levied on by me on the  
1st day of Oct., 1889 to sat-  
isfy said execution and costs.  
J. L. HAYES, Sheriff.  
This October 1st 1889.

#### Valuable Hotel Prop- erty -FOR SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the  
Superior Court of watauga  
Co. made in the case of L. D.  
Hargrave and others  
the undersigned as Commis-  
sioner appointed by said  
Court will sell at Blowing  
Rock N. C. on wednesday the  
16th day of October, 1889,  
on the premises 2 lots or par-  
cel of land known as the Har-  
grave Hotel property—at  
public outcry to the highest  
bidder—Terms 1/3 cash 1/3 in 6  
and 1/3 in twelve months, bond  
with good security for defer-  
red payments. Title retained  
till purchase money paid.  
This is a fine opportunity to  
purchase a well-equipped hot-  
el at one of the most popular  
Summer resorts in the State  
Wm. R. Lovill,  
Commissioner.

At the same time and  
place, I will sell the personal  
property of B. L. Hargrave—  
by public outcry, to the high-  
est bidder for cash—property  
consists of household and  
kitchen furniture such as is  
necessary for a first class hot-  
el. J. B. Hargrave Admin-  
istrator of R. L. Hargrove.  
Sept. 11th, '89

#### Rock Bottom At Last.

J. C. JONES, Zionville, N. C.,  
keeps constantly on hand and  
will sell at bottom prices for cash  
or country produce, Boots, Shoes  
Hats, aps. A special line of  
LADIES HATS  
Hardware, Groceries.

#### READY MADE CLOTHING A SPECIALTY.

keeps no shoddy goods. In short,  
a full line of every thing kept in a  
first-class country store can be  
found here. Give him a call.

SCOTT & ERVIN,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
Lenoir, N. C.

T. B. FINLEY,  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

W. L. BRYAN,  
Still On Hand With A  
Nice line of  
GENERAL  
Merchandise,  
Consisting, in part, of Boots,  
Shoes,  
Dress Goods,  
Notions,  
Hardware,  
Tinware,  
Groceries,  
Coffees,  
Sugars,  
Tea,  
Rice,  
Cigars,  
Cigarettes, & etc.

Drugs & Medicines  
In good variety. Also take  
all kinds of

ROOTS  
AND  
HERBS,

And country produce in ex-  
change for goods. Gents' furn-  
ishing goods, such as, dress  
shirts, (both laundried and  
unlaundried.) Collars, Cuffs,  
Slips, and in fact, almost  
anything needed in that line.

#### JUST IN

Ready-Made Clothing from \$  
to 25 dollars per suit. We  
handle only first class goods,  
and will guarantee prices as  
low as any other merchant  
who handles the same grade  
of goods.

#### For Cash, You Can Have

Goods at almost your own  
price. I run in connection  
with my other business, a

Hotel An Free  
STABLE,

which we think is equal to  
any in the county, and we  
guarantee our prices as low  
as any in the

#### COUNTY.

Also furnish transportation to  
parties wanting the same with a  
safe driver and with as good a  
turnout as can be found in the  
county. For the next

#### 60 DAYS

We will make special prices, for  
cash, on all goods. Returning  
our thanks for past patronage  
we will, as heretofore, still con-  
tinue to furnish you good goods  
and at as low prices as can be  
found. Truly yours,

W. L. Bryan.

WE  
ARE  
AHEAD OF  
THE CROWD!!!  
NEW STORE, NEW GOODS!  
Just received from the Northern  
Markets the nicest line of goods  
ever showed in this county. Lad-  
ies' Dress Coos, Plaids, Prints,  
cassimers, Domestic, Hats, & etc.  
SHOES, SHOES, SHOES, SHOES,  
in every style, and at starvation  
prices. The nicest line of  
GROCERIES

AND  
CONFECTIONARIES,  
to be found in this part of the  
State.  
Hardware Culery,  
- crockery,  
GLASS-WARE,  
And everything else you want at  
W. V. and S. P. Moore's, Blowing  
Rock, North Carolina.  
May 29,—12 m.

NEW RIVER ACAD-  
EMY.  
W. R. HENDREN  
PRINCIPAL.  
First session begins Aug.  
26th, 1889. Board can be  
obtained in the neighborhood  
from \$5 to \$5.50 per month.  
Tuition from one to three dol-  
lars per month. Address the  
Principal at Horton N. C.  
Aug. 29 th

F. J. McMillan and Son of the  
Mount of Wiscoa Va., are Man-  
ufacturers of all kinds of woolen  
goods, which they will send to  
your door in exchange for wool.  
They also keep a fullline of their  
goods on hand at southernlands,  
Ashe Co., N. C. They pay the  
highest price for wool.  
Sept. 11th, 1889.

ROCK BOTTOM STRUCK  
AND KNOCKED OUT  
J. P. HENSON, DARK RIDGE,  
N. C.,  
is just receiving a largestock  
GENERAL MERCHANDISE  
which will be sold for cash or  
country produce at prices  
never before heard of. Give  
him a call.  
apr 29 ly.

—BANNER HOUSE—  
Mrs E. Walch, Proprie-  
TRESS.  
ELK PARK, NORTH CAROLINA.  
Good fare, neat rooms, and  
polite attention. A good feed  
and livery sta. Run in  
connection with the Hotel  
by W. C. Walch.  
GIVE US A CALL.  
July 18 '89 ft.

LOOK OUT!!!  
T. A. Cletcher, Bamboe, N. C., Is  
Headquarters For

Cheap goods. Boots and Shoes  
a specialty. Men's brogan shoes  
\$100. Ladies polka eighty-five  
cts. Untrimmed sole leather twen-  
ty five cts., Trimmed 27c. All oth-  
er goods in proportion. Bought  
for cash, and will sell low for  
the same. Give me a trial.

Cove Creek Academy.  
W. M. FRANCUM, Principal.  
Next term begins Aug. 5, '89.  
Board, everything included,  
six dollars per month.  
Tuition from 75cts. to \$2  
per month. For Further par-  
ticulars, address the Princi-  
pal, Amantha, N. C.

E. F. LOVILL & SON,  
ATTORNEY'S AT LAW,  
Boone, N. C.  
July 4th, '89—1 y  
W. C. NEWLAND,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
Lenoir, N. C.  
June 27, 88 ly.