

A DEMOCRATIC family newspaper devoted to the interest of County State and Nation. Published every Thursday at Boone, Watauga County, N. C.

Words of Wisdom.

Self possession is nine points of the lawyer.

Women forgive injuries, but never forget slights.

The man who is hopeless of a home is a ruined man.

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved.

Life is too short for attempts or pretences that end in nothing.

God sees heroes where men see only the commonest kind of people.

The wise man knows he knows nothing, the fool thinks he knows all.

It is a miserable sight to see a poor man proud and a rich man avaricious.

There is more trouble in having to do.

Some folks, like tugboats, seldom accomplish anything without a great deal of puffing and blowing; but, unlike tugboats, that often puff and blow without accomplishing anything.

Be cheerful. If you have no great trouble on your mind you have no right to render other people miserable by your long face and dolorous tones. If you do you will be generally avoided.

Moral worth is best. To be right is always to be powerful. Faithfulness, charity and justice to all is the only true measure by which to live and by which to die. Wrong is always wrong and never can be made right.

Liquor Arithmetic Lesson.

"Boy at the head of the class, what are we paying for liquor as a nation?"

"\$900,000,000 annually."

"Step to the black board, my boy, first take a rule and measure this silver dollar."

"How thick is it?"

"Nearly an eighth of an inch."

"Well, sir, how many of them can you put in an inch?"

"Between eight and nine."

"Give the benefit of doubt; call it nine. How many inches would it require to pile \$900,000,000 in?"

"100,000,000 inches."

"How many feet would that be?"

"8,333,333 feet."

"How many rods is that?"

"505,050 rods."

"How many miles is that?"

"1,578 miles."

"Miles of what?"

"1,478 miles of silver dollars, laid down, packed close together, our national liquor bill would make. This is only one year's grog bill."

Reader, if you need facts about this temperance question, nail that to a post and read it occasionally. It would take ten men with scoopshovels to throw away money as fast as we are wasting it for grog.—Christian Observer.

CASTORIA

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State Geologist Holmes has secured for the State museum one of the largest blocks of mica ever found in the mountains. It weighs 450 pounds.

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Speaker Hileman, who is a full-fledged Rep-pop-lican has announced a committee on "redistricting the State into Congressional districts," upon which he did not name a single Democrat, and no populist, except Whitener, who has virtually gone to the republicans. This means that the republicans are "fred" of letting five populists go to Congress to one republican. They want to have the populists in a position where they will have to get down on their knees and crawl before the republicans to even have a chance to run, says the News and Observer.

Made More, Alas!

A prosperous liquor dealer was boasting to a group of men standing near his saloon of the amount of money he had made.

"I have made one thousand dollars in the last 3 months," he said.

"You made more than that" quietly remarked a listener.

"What is that?" was the quick response.

"You have made my two sons drunkards. You have made their mother a heart-broken woman. You have made much more than that, I reckon, but you'll get the full account some day."—Christian Observer.

Starved missions for the want of money (which is God's) are the order of the day, and, as a consequence, a starved world is fainting into eternity with a wail upon its lips which it breaks the heart to hear, and with its skeleton hands feeling blindly about for the light and life of God.—Recorder.

The ox-eye daisy, which bothers American farmers, is now spreading in many agricultural districts in Australia, being introduced with hayseed. It causes damage to grass lands.—Ex.

Cattle and sheep are fattened on molasses in Germany, and during 1894-95 not less than a hundred thousand tons were consumed for that purpose. The advocates of this system of feeding assert that it keeps the animal healthy, gives the skin a glossy look, increases the production of milk and improves the flavor of the meat.

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EXECUTOR'S SALE.

AS EXECUTORS named in the last will and testament of Jonathan Horton, dec'd., we will on the 1st day of March, 1897, it being the first Monday in said month offer at public sale to the highest bidder at the L. M. McGlamery store and tanyard in Wilkes county, N. C., the following described property to wit: First, that certain tract or parcel of land, known as the Jesse Vannoy farm, lying in the county of Wilkes, on the waters of North Lewis Fork, adjoining the lands of Manley Watts, Martha Eiler and others, containing 210 acres more or less. For more complete description of said land reference is made to record of deed made by W. P. Horton, commissioner, to Jonathan Horton in book of deeds No. 19, page 258, etc. in office of Register of Deeds of Wilkes county. Second tract known as the L. M. McGlamery tanyard and store-house property, on the waters of North Lewis Fork, and in the county aforesaid, adjoining tract No. 1, and lands of Jesse McGlamery and others, containing 5 acres more or less. For a more complete description of this tract reference is hereby made to record of a deed made by W. P. Horton, commissioner, to Jonathan Horton, in book of Deeds No. 20, in office of Register of Deeds of Wilkes county.

Also on same date at Boone Watauga county, N. C., the following described property to wit: Lots No. 14, 15 and 16, in the town of Boone, being west of the public square, and known as the John Horton place, and four other unimproved lots near the Masonic Hall known on plat of said town as lots No. 23, 30, 27 and 34.

Terms of sale one-third cash, one third in 6 months, and balance in 12 months. Note and approved security for deferred payments, bearing interest from date will be required of purchaser. Deed in fee simple will be executed to purchaser upon the payment of all purchase money. This Jan. 18th, 1897. J. C. HORTON, J. B. HORTON, Executors of Jonathan Horton, deceased.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator with will annexed of the last will and testament of the late Elizabeth Swift, all parties having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned executor on or before Feb. 11, '98, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate, either by note or otherwise, will make immediate payment to me. This Feb. 11 1897 SMITH HAGAMAN, Executor.

NOTICE.

I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the court house door in the town of Boone, Watauga county, North Carolina, on the 1st day of March, 1897, it being the first Monday in said month, all the real estate of Charles Hatten, deceased, and described as follows: One tract of land lying in Blowing Rock township, containing 25 acres more or less; also one hundred acres more or less lying in Blue Ridge township, adjoining the lands of C. J. Cottrell and others. This January 25th, 1897. C. J. COTTRELL, Executor.

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