

# The Watauga Democrat.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

—H. T. Newland & Co. have a new ad in this issue. See it.  
 —Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Long returned Monday from a visit to relatives in Ashe county.

—The people, many of them, are taking advantage of the showery weather for plant setting.

—Rev. Jones will preach at the Baptist church in Boone, on next Sunday at 11, a. m., and at night.

—Mrs. W. B. Council, jr., and two little sons, who have had measles for several days, are improving.

—Mrs. James Presnell died at her home on Brushy Fork on last Friday, after a long illness of consumption.

—Dr. W. H. Wakefield, of Charlotte, specialist, will visit Blowing Rock soon. Read notice.

—Rev. B. W. Spillman, of Raleigh, preached at Three Forks church on last Saturday and Sunday.

—Wanted: 100 laborers to work on the grade near Blowing Rock at 75 cts. and \$1. per day.

—The County Supervisor gives notice of an examination of teachers for life certificates in another column.

—Moretz & Farthing are pushing the work on their new store house, and hope to have it complete soon.

—Are you a guardian for any minor heirs? If so, read what the Clerk of the Court has to say to you in another column.

—The board of tax-listers and land assessors was in session here Tuesday. The valuation of real estate in the main, remains unchanged.

—The improvements being made by Dr. Council on his residence and other buildings, is adding much to the appearance of his property.

—W. B. Council, who has been on a business trip to Mitchell county, has returned and reports that the new railroad has been completed to Montezuma.

—Rev. J. M. Deaton, of Hickory, is spending a few days in the mountains. He will preach at the Lutheran church on Meat Camp Sunday.

—The Sunday School will be organized in the Baptist church in Boone on next Sunday morning. An invitation is cordially extended to all who desire to attend.

—We are sorry to learn that Mrs. J. P. Taylor, of Blowing Rock, has had quite a serious attack of measles, but glad indeed to know she is now rapidly convalescing.

—R. K. Bryan of Asheville, who has a nice position in Hotel Burkley, in that city, is spending a short vacation with his parents in Boone. Bob is looking well, and all are glad to see him.

—The bargains now being offered in general merchan-

dise by H. T. Newland & Co., are rare, and it would pay all who can to investigate their prices and examine their stock before buying.

—Mr. Robinson informs us that he has rented the pipe factory at Montezuma to a New York Co., and work will be resumed there on the first of July, but on a smaller scale than formerly.

—To the members of Snow Lodge, No. 363, A. F. & A. M. I will convene Snow Lodge in special communication on Saturday, June 17, '99, at 2 p. m., to transact some business by order of the Grand Master. J. H. MAST, W. M.

—The potato bugs are more numerous this year than ever known in this section. In fact, were it not for the untiring efforts of the people to destroy them, many of the potato crops would be entire failures.

—Mr. Moses H. Cone is, we are informed, having the lumber delivered as fast as possible for his new residence at Blowing Rock, which, when completed, will be one of the most splendid structures in Western North Carolina.

—Mr. D. Robinson, of New York, Secretary of the Vassas Bros. Co., is here for a few days looking after the business of the firm. Any one wishing to buy or rent the factory property here, would do well to call on him before he leaves.

—After weary months of suffering, Mrs. Noah Brookshire, whose serious illness we have mentioned from time to time, died at her home on New River Tuesday morning. Mrs. Brookshire was a good, kind, and much-loved lady and will be greatly missed in her community.

—Joe Sherrill, the polite and efficient salesman, who has been in the employ of H. T. Newland & Co., at Blowing Rock, is now wielding the yard-stick at the store of the Watauga Hotel Co. The services of such young men as Joe Sherrill are always in demand.

—The Sunday School picnic on last Friday promised to be a great success, but just as the lavish dinner was being enjoyed by those present, a terrific storm burst upon them, which caused them to heat a hasty retreat as soon as the storm would permit.

—The hands are warned out again to work on the sidewalk and streets in Boone on Friday and Saturday and Street Supervisor Blackburn asks us to say that all hands who are behind on the work will be allowed to make it up on those days, and those failing so to do, will be dealt with as the law directs at once.

—Just as we go to press, we receive the startling news that the smallpox is spreading at an alarming rate in Lenoir, and that one negro suspect had broken quarantine at Freedman and others were trying to make their escape. This is alarming news indeed and the chances are that it will be brought to our county by negroes fleeing from the disease in other sections. Again let us urge upon our people the importance of watching out for negroes who do not belong in Watauga. If the disease is brought, they will bring it. Be on your guard!

**CASTORIA.**  
 The Kind You Have Always Bought  
 Bears the Signature of  


**Blowing Rock Personal.**  
 —Miss Olena Keys, another of the Skyland teachers, left the first of the week for her home in Idaho.

—Mr. Harvey Orr and family, of Charlotte, are at the Watauga Hotel.

—Sheriff Boyd, of Caldwell, and ex-Sheriff Hayes, of Watauga, were in town on Monday.

—Mr. Dangerfield, who has been boarding at the Clarke House, has moved to his new residence, "Windward."

—Rev. Vardell and family, of Red Springs, are here for the summer.

—Mrs. Stewart and son, Joe, of Davidson, came up the first of the week. They will open the Skyland House in a few days.

## REPORTER.

### Local News from Vilas.

The much-needed rain has come, to the delight of all who wish to make cabbage-hauling a business this fall. Now is a good time for plant setting.

A Mr. Jones, from Ashe county, was here on business last week.

Dr. Parlier, who has located at Blowing Rock, was in this community on Thursday of last week examining those who had made applications with Mr. McElwee for life insurance.

J. J. Mast and W. E. Dugger are doing some carpenter work for D. F. Horton.

Jas. R. Hagaman, one of our best mechanics, left for Lenoir Tuesday to do some work for J. M. Barnhardt.

A. C. Sherwood is off on a business trip to Grayson Co., Va., this week, and I imagine he will convert his trip into one of pleasure before he returns.

Quite a number of our citizens and young folks attend the Sunday School Institute at Cove Creek last week, and report a very pleasant time. The 'Hustler' enjoyed it very much.

Mr. Jenkins who transports the mail daily in his carriage from here to Blowing Rock, says he enjoys that part of his drive to Brushy Fork church much better than he did before R. A. Adams and his little squad of hands made a specialty of removing the numerous rocks from the roads.

Miss Maggie Horton, who has been spending several days with her sick sister, Mrs. N. L. Mast, returned home this week. Mrs. Mast continues unimproved.

Miss Bessie M. Horton, one of Lenoir's most accomplished young ladies, who is teaching a successful school at Mast spent Monday night at J. W. Horton's on her way to Boone, having left her school in charge of her sister, Miss Maude, until she returns on Wednesday.

### THE "HUSTLER."

J. W. Whitfield, of Durham, attempted suicide on Monday of last week by taking laudanum. Truly this suicidal mania is growing at an alarming rate.

**DR. W. H. WAKEFIELD,**  
 Oculist and Aurist, of Charlotte, will be in Blowing Rock at the Blowing Rock Hotel on Thursday and Friday, July 13th and 14th, for the practice of his profession. He limits his work to the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

## LISTEN.

I am not going to tell you something about the war with Spain, for it is over, but the war with my competitors is still going on and I am still furnishing all my customers with the best bargains out.

## GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

IN this line I am fully abreast with the times, as I keep everything usually kept in a first-class store and will supply my customers with nothing but the BEST GOODS! at "CHEAP GOODS" prices. Very truly yours,

**M. B. BLACKBURN,**

Jan. 12.

## The State Normal and Industrial College.

Offers the young women of the State thorough professional, literary, classical, scientific, industrial education. Annual expenses \$90 to \$130. Faculty of 30 members. More than 400 regular students. Has matriculated about 1,500 students, representing every county in the State except two. Practice and Observation School of about 200 pupils. To secure board in dormitories, all free-tuition applications must be made before August 1.

Correspondence invited from those desiring competent trained teachers. For catalogue and other information, address PRESIDENT McIVER, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Ex-Governor Thos. J. Jarvis, has been suggested as the proper one for the Presidency of the A. & M. College.

### NOTICE TO GUARDIANS.

All guardians of minor children in Watauga county are hereby notified that they are required by law to renew their bonds every three years, and those failing to do so by the first Monday in July '99, will be cited to appear and show cause why they have not complied with the law in that regard. Also all executors and administrators are required to make annual reports, and those failing with in a reasonable time will be cited to do so.

JOHN H. BINGHAM, C. S. C.

### NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga county, in the Superior court. Fall term, 1899. Sarah Hockaday vs. Frank Hockaday. The defendant in the above entitled action, Frank Hockaday, will take notice that the plaintiff, Sarah Hockaday, has commenced an action in the Superior court as entitled above to obtain a divorce from said defendant, and whereas, it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the court that he is a non resident of the State of North Carolina. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Watauga Democrat for six weeks commencing the said defendant to appear before the Judge of the Superior court on the fourth Monday after the first Monday in August, 1899, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff, or the said plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in her complaint. June 15, '99. JOHN H. BINGHAM, C. S. C. W. R. LOVILL, Atty. for P'ff.

## Those who live the

BEST, EAT THE BEST, and feel the best. Just so, when you buy goods, you want the best goods for as little money as possible. Now, that is just what we are doing for the people: selling them the

VERY BEST GOODS —for the— VERY LOWEST PRICE possible. Think about a \$1.00 'stretcher' brim full of style, going like wild fire. Why, they are the BEST PANTS you ever saw.

The best heavy sheeting for 5 cts. a yard, and as good green coffee at you ever looked at for

Ten Cents a Pound. DON'T forget that this is the place to come when you want to sell produce or spend cash. Favor us and favor yourselves. New Goods coming in Every week. Yours truly, L. R. CLARKE & CO. Norris, May 25, '99.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that J. M. Edmisten purchased a tax sale by W. H. Calway, Shff., a tract of land adjoining the lands of Noah Winkler, and the said J. M. Edmisten, now deceased, in said county, and containing seven acres listed in the name of John Eller, the tax on which was \$1.74 for the year '97. Notice is hereby given to the owner of said land that if the same is not redeemed as the law directs by the first Monday in Oct. '99, that the undersigned will apply to the said Sheriff for a deed for said land. W. W. D. Edmisten, adm. of J. M. Edmisten, dec'd.

## Announcement.

### New Store, New Goods.

### EVERYTHING BRAN-NEW.

We are now opening a most beautiful line of general merchandise at Blowing Rock, in fact, we flatter ourselves that when our stock is all in, that it will be second to none ever opened in our town.

The stock will be complete in every line, and we are prepared to sell you goods (not at cost, for we can't afford that) at a very low figure.

### YOUR PATRONAGE IS

### WHAT WE WANT

The prices, styles and quality of goods will suit you, then what else can you ask? Our stock consists of Dry Goods and Groceries in great variety,

A stock of foot-wear that is hard to duplicate in the county.

Hats in endless varieties and styles.

Our line of ladies dress goods is real nice and if you need anything of this kind you can find it in our store.

Bacon, Flour, Lard, Rice, Canned goods, etc. always on hand.

Our stock of hardware both heavy and shelf, is complete.

In fact, you can find almost anything you need at our store. Be sure and give us a call when at the "Rock", and let us show you our goods and give you prices. This being done, we are sure to sell you.

Good country produce taken in exchange for goods.

Call on us at BUCHANNAN'S old STAND.

Very truly, Watauga Hotel Co. Blowing Rock, Feb. 23.

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**DON'T DESPAIR!**

Go to Friends for Advice;  
 To Women for Comfort;  
 To Strangers for Charity, but

**FOR BARGAINS GO**  
 to I. N. CORPENING & CO.

Here Are a few Prices NOT Promises:

Good Green Coffee, 10 cts.  
 Arbuckle's 2 for 25.  
 Light Brown sugar 6 1/2 cts.  
 Granulated Sugar 7 1/2 cts.  
 Our grocery line consists of Choice, Fresh Goods in both Fancy and Heavy Grades, and all

.....AT.....  
**Rock Bottom Prices!**

### IN HARDWARE,

We Simply Knock Down and Drag out Competition.

Genuine Axes .50c.  
 Lasts and stands .30.  
 Farmer's Mixed wire nails 2 1/2  
 Claw Hammers 10c. each.  
 10 qt Tin Bucket 15c.  
 Best grade Lubricating Oil 25 cents per gal.  
 Cylinder Oil 50c.

### DRY GOODS, HATS AND NOTIONS.

Every box and shelf filled with new and stylish goods, and Each article is labeled with a bargain.

Ginghams 4 cts.  
 Plaids 5 cts.  
 Shawls at cost!!!

### Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

### NEW AND EXCELLENT:

Come right along and buy your winter foot-wear. Thick and heavy at thin, split-leather prices.

### JULGEMENT

Is a most rare and precious gem.

**NOW USE A LITTLE OBII** and invest your CASH with us.

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 All kinds of produce taken in exchange for our net cash goods.

Soliciting a liberal future patronage, and thanking you in advance for same, we are.

Very Truly,  
**I. N. CORPENING & CO**

Banner Elk, N. C., Dec. 10.

  
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