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## PROFESSIONAL.

**L. D. LOWE,**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
BANNER ELK, N. C.  
Will practice in the courts of Watauga, Mitchell and adjoining counties. 7-6-'04.

**Todd & Ballou,**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.  
JEFFERSON, N. C.  
Will practice in all the courts. Special attention given to real estate law and collections. 6-15-'06.

**J. E. HODGES,**  
Veterinary Surgeon,  
SANDS, N. C.  
Aug. 6. 1y.

**EDMUND JONES**  
—LAWYER—  
—LENOIR, N. C.—  
Will Practice Regularly in the Courts of Watauga, 6-1-'07.

**F. A. LINNEY,**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
BOONE, N. C.  
Will practice in the courts of the 13th Judicial District in all matters of a civil nature. 6-11-1906.

**J. C. FLETCHER,**  
Attorney At Law,  
—BOONE, N. C.—  
Careful attention given to collections.

**E. F. LOVILL**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
—BOONE, N. C.—  
Special attention given to all business entrusted to his care. 1-1-'04.

**A. A. Holsclaw,**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
Mountain City, Tennessee.  
Will practice in all the courts of Tennessee, State and Federal. Special attention given to collections and all other matters of a legal nature. Office northeast of court house. Oct. 11, 1906, 1y.

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Prompt attention given to all matters of a legal nature. Abstracting titles and collection of claims a specialty. 1-1-'07.

**R. Ross Donnelly,**  
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SHOON'S, . . . Tennessee,  
Has Varnished and Glass White Coffins; Black Broadcloth and White Plush Caskets; Black and White Metallic Caskets; Robes, Shoes and Finishings.  
Extra large Coffins and Caskets always on hand. Phone orders given special attention.  
R. ROSS DONNELLY.

**NEW JEWELER'S SHOP.**  
I will be located in Boone by June the first, 1907, prepared to do all kinds of watch and clock repairing on short notice. My work is all guaranteed and no work is charged for unless satisfactory to the owner. Bring me your work and I will give you a first-class job.  
Office up stairs in Critcher brick row.  
SILAS M. GREENE, Jeweler.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.  
Since the work of the Reclamation Service has done so much for the arid region west of the 100th meridian, there have been a number of suggestions about doing something on approximately the same line for the east. The Reclamation Service so far has dealt with desert lands, putting water on them. It has reclaimed hundreds of thousands of acres of deserts and the increased price that land sells for to the settlers has furnished more money to reclaim more land. So that by the time the government gets through with the 50,000,000 or so acres of land which there is water to irrigate, the work will have paid for itself and there will be an empire added to the United States.

But there is another problem on the same line, so far as reclaiming land is concerned, but diametrically opposed to it in the matter of water. That is in draining the swamp lands of the country and getting rid of enough of that water to make the soil available for agriculture and home-steads. A report on the subject has just been rendered by J. O. Wright of the Department of Agriculture and some of the facts shown are startling. The swamp land area of the United States that is waiting to be reclaimed is 77,000,000 acres. The most of this lies in the middle north, and along the Atlantic Coast or in the Southern States. It is an area bigger than England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, bigger also than the whole of New England, New York and part of Pennsylvania. A good deal of this land has been drained by private enterprise and it has been shown that when drained it is the finest agricultural land in the world. The matter of draining is simple—much simpler than reclaiming land for irrigation, for all that is needed is a comprehensive system of canals and ditches and the water flows off by itself. The cost of draining this immense area by the most approved modern methods would be about a billion dollars, but the land itself would be worth four billion when reclaimed, whereas now it is worth nothing. It would furnish forty acre farms for 1,900,000 families and the work, like the irrigation, could be done gradually and be made to pay for itself. Mr. Wright makes no recommendations in his report as to whether the work should be done under Federal or state authority. The draining can easily be done by the individual states without interfering with each other. In this it is different from irrigation where frequently a river runs through more than one state and where the federal government is the only authority that can well handle and adjust the claims between the states. It is a fascinating problem, this draining of the swamps—adding to the national wealth; adding to the valuable home area of the country and largely wiping out malaria and mosquitoes in the process. How soon the work will be undertaken on a large scale, it is impossible to say, but it is something that would cost practically nothing and should be done at once.

The railroad commissioners who have been holding their convention here this week are confronted with a problem. They are well content to let the Interstate Commerce Commission deal with the interstate railroad problem, but they are concerned with the intra-state roads and they want some method whereby the interstate and the intra-state earnings of the roads can be separated and shown in different reports. This is a delicate and complex problem in book keeping and one about which the commissioners are not at all decided, so if anyone can come forward with a cheap and easy solution of it, they would be glad to hear from him.

The question of oil burning in warships has been studied by the Navy Department for some years. They have watched the progress that has been made abroad in this line and after seeing all that has been done and watching a good many experiments taken up and abandoned, they have gone into the business with a view to meet American conditions. One reason that nothing definite has been accomplished heretofore is that coal has been much cheaper than oil on the Atlantic coast, so there was not the motive of economy. But now that the battleship squadron is going to the Pacific where the cost problem is reversed, there is likelihood of more being done. The Monitor Wyoming which is now at the Mare Island Yard in San Francisco, is being fitted for oil burning. The work on her will be completed before the battleship squadron reaches the Pacific and she will be given sea trials under service conditions. The new 20,000 ton battleships, the Delaware and the North Dakota, are being planned to use oil as an auxiliary fuel. They will be able to carry 350 tons of oil in their double bottoms and this will be equal to about 600 tons of added coal capacity. This will give them together a steaming radius of about 7,000 miles, meaning that they could go 25 days at cruising speed without re-coaling. It is not likely that oil will ever be used as the sole fuel for any except the perhaps the some of the torpedo boats and destroyers but with the coal, it helps out the consumption greatly and in a forced draft emergency, it will crowd up the steam as coal alone cannot possibly do.

In the same connection, it may be said that the Navy Department has looked with the greatest interest on the performance of the Lusitania which has just broken all the trans-Atlantic records. The Lusitania is a turbine ship and the laymen will naturally ask why if the turbine produces such high speed in a trans-Atlantic liner, should in not be a good thing for the new warships also? The Navy Department has taken this seriously into consideration in planning the new big battleships, but the feature of the turbine is that while it is good for high speeds, it is wasteful and unsatisfactory for low speeds. The most of a warship's traveling is done at what is termed "cruising speed," and this is too slow for the economical use of the turbine. So in planning the new ships, the Department has arranged to have them fitted with ordinary reciprocating engines and with auxiliary turbines so that in the pinch of battle when the highest speed is required, the turbines can be brought into play and the other ships can be speeded up to the extreme limit. They will be the finest ships in the world to be fitted with both types of engines.

The way to get rid of a cold, whether it be a "bad cold" or just a little one, is to get it out of your system through the bowels. Nearly all Cough Cures, especially those that contain opiates, are constipating. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup contains no opiates and acts gently on the bowels. Pleasant to take. Sold by J. M. Hodges.

**DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills FOR BACKACHE**

## Where a United States Senator's Card Didn't Go.

Utica, N. Y., Dispatch of the 4th to the Landmark.  
United States Senator James P. Talliaferro, of Fla., and his son-in-law, C. S. Hubbard, with their wives, passed through the city in automobiles en route to New York, and in the vicinity of Frankfort, east of Utica, had an experience which caused their wrath to rise and provoked the utterance of harsh words about the State department of public works.

Senator Talliaferro and party encountered a stretch of macadam road in progress of building near Frankfort, and the chauffeur let the machine out a bit. An inspector quickly held them up and ordered them off the highway, informing them it was not open to traffic. Senator Talliaferro produced his card, but it was no use, and the tourists turned around and headed for the Erie canal tow, which runs parallel with the road that is in course of building.

"Keep off here," warned an employe of the State, as the Talliaferro party started eastward over the mule path. "That road yonder is closed and I must be in Albany to-night. Why do you bar my way?" exclaimed the excited Senator, handing his card to one of the deputies guarding the highway.

"State Superintendent Stevens directed that this tow path should not be used as a highway, and we are here to carry out his orders," explained the deputy, casting Talliaferro's card into the canal.

The Senator and his party turned their machine about, traveled 40 miles out of their way, and found a road on which they could travel to Albany. The distance which they desired to cover on the tow path was less than a mile.

The Landmark adds: While the Senator may have been mistreated, it is a pleasure to see that the New York officials didn't fall on their knees, as he evidently expected them to do, when he made known who he was. A United States Senator is entitled to the same rights on the road as any other citizen and no more and the man who thinks that his position or prominence should give him special privileges (as is too often the case) deserves all the trouble he gets. United States Senators are no better than other folks and sometimes not as good.

## Health in the Canal Zone.

The high wages paid make it a mighty temptation to our young artisans to join the force of skilled workmen needed to construct the Panama Canal. Many are restrained however, by the fear of fevers and malaria. It is the knowing ones—those who have used Electric Bitters, who go there without this fear, well knowing they are safe from malarious influence with Electric Bitters on hand. Cures blood poison too, biliousness, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Guaranteed by all druggists, 50c.

Crows wearing smoked-glass spectacles may be seen in the interior of Russia, where great tracts of country are covered with snow six months in the year. The crows become afflicted with snow blindness while looking for fine grass under the melting snow.

Indigestion, constipation, dyspepsia, kidney and liver disorders, and all stomach troubles positively cured by using Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, 35c. tea or tablets. M. B. Blackburn and Blowing Rock Drug Co.

## One Million Contribution at Richmond

Richmond, Va., Dispatch of the 9th, to the Landmark.  
A magnificent thank-offering was today received in Holy Trinity church from the men of the Protestant Episcopal church. It was announced at a mass-meeting at the auditorium to-night that the thank-offering of men this morning amounted to \$760,213.12 the treasurer, Mr. George C. Thomas, of Pennsylvania, said that with the woman's thank-offerings previously received only \$15,000 additional was needed to complete the sum of \$1,000,000. This amount was contributed amid acclamations, "\$1,000,000 contributed at the convention of 1907" was announced amid cheers and waving of handkerchiefs.

At the thanksgiving service held at 8 a. m. Trinity church was filled to its doors with reverent men kneeling as in an army camp to receive the apostolic benediction, and hymns sung by this assemblage of male voices had a fullness and power that made them ring glorious to the very rafters of the church.

In golden bowl and silver plates the offering of bank notes, checks and coin was placed until all overflowed with richness of the offering. A large silver salver was pressed into service and even this scarcely proved sufficient for its burden of generosity and love. There were bags of gold, packages of coin and two checks for \$100,000 each. For nearly an hour after the offering was made a procession of men moved slowly forward to the altar to receive the communion. At the conclusion of the services many of those most deeply interested in forwarding the work of the church embraced one another in an outburst of joyful emotion.

The \$100,000 checks were given by J. Pierpont Morgan, of New York, and G. C. Thomas, of Philadelphia.

## A Humane Appeal.

A humane citizen of Richmond Ind., Mr. U. D. Williams, 107 West Main St., says: "I appeal to all persons with weak lungs to take Dr. King's New Discovery, the only remedy that has helped me and fully comes up to the proprietor's recommendation." It saves more lives than all other throat and lung remedies put together. Used as a cough and cold cure the world over. Cures asthma, bronchitis, croup, whooping cough, quinsy, hoarseness, and phthisis, stops hemorrhages of the lungs and builds them up. Guaranteed by all druggists 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Adam could not have paid that fine if he lived until now and saved ten dollars every day including Sunday, but Rockefeller can pay it and have more left than Solomon ever possessed.—Commoner.

There's a reason for that ache in your back—right where it "stitches" every time you bend over, turn around or walk any distance. It's your kidneys. Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They are unequalled for back ache, weak kidneys and inflammation of the bladder. A week's treatment for 25c. Sold by J. M. Hodges.

Culture is the ability to pretend that you like classical music as much as you do bridge wist.

Lost between 9:30 p. m. yesterday and noon today, a bilious attack with nausea and sick headache. This loss was occasioned by finding at a drug store a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Guaranteed for biliousness, malaria and jaundice, 25c.

## Our New Hair Vigor

Ayer's Hair Vigor was good, the best that was made. But Ayer's Hair Vigor, new improved formula, is better. It is the one great specific for falling hair. A new preparation in every way. New bottle. New contents. Ask your druggist to show you, "the new kind."

Does not change the color of the hair.  
Formula with each bottle. Show it to your doctor. Ask him about it, then do as he says.

**Ayer's**  
As we now make our new Hair Vigor it does not have the slightest effect upon the color of the hair. You may use it freely and for any length of time without fear of changing the color. Stops falling hair. Cures dandruff.  
—Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.—

## MORTGAGE SALE.

That whereas, on the 7th day Aug. 1907, D. V. Winebarger and wife, Loula Winebarger, of the county of Watauga and State of North Carolina, duly assigned to Willie W. Miller a certain mortgage deed executed as hereinafter described, which assignment is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Watauga county on the 30th day of Sep. 1907, in Book N', of mortgages, page 174. Now, therefore, as assignee of said mortgage and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Mattie J. Green to Loula Winebarger, wife of D. V. Winebarger, on the 16th day of June, 1907, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note of \$80. and interest, due and payable on the 1st day of Oct. 1907, which mortgage is recorded in Book M' of mortgages on page 7, on the 17th day of June, 1907, to which reference is hereby made. Now, therefore, by virtue of said assignment, and power contained in said mortgage, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at public auction at the court house door in Boone in said county and State, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. on the 4th day of November 1907, it being the first Monday in said month the following described lands situated in said county, in the town of Zionville, in Cove Creek township, adjoining the lands of Dick Gragg, W. B. Davenport, Iseline Profit and R. S. Roten, containing 4 acres, the same being the lands formerly owned by S. S. Younce, Rev. E. F. Jones, and later occupied by Thos. Greer and J. L. Norris. Said lands will be sold to satisfy said debt, interest and cost of sale. This Oct. 2, 1907.  
WILLIE W. MILLER, Assignee.

The only way to avoid making mistakes is to sit back and not attempt to do anything.

## Often The Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.  
It used to be considered that only urinary and bladder troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all diseases have their beginning in the disorder of these most important organs.  
The kidneys filter and purify the blood—that is their work.

Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, because as soon as your kidneys are well they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases, and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle free of charge by mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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