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LOCAL NEWS.

—Today, Wednesday, is bright and pleasant and it seems that once again we are released from the icy grasp of winter.

—We are sorry to know that Mrs. Caroline Winkler, who has been very ill for some time still remains unimproved.

—Eugene Greer, a student of the A. T. S., is quite ill at the home of Mr. L. N. Perkins. He is suffering from a severe abscess in his throat.

—Mr. William Farthing, of Watauga Falls, was a guest at the home of his cousin, Mr. W. D. Farthing, in Boone last Saturday night.

—The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Linney Greene, of Meat Camp, remains very low, and much anxiety is felt over the condition of the little sufferer.

—Tuesday morning mercury registered 8 degrees below zero at the Blackburn Hotel. This is the coldest weather experienced in Watauga for a number of years.

—Capt. E. F. Lovill, during the sunny days last week, fled himself away to Mooreville, Iredell county, where he will spend a few days with his daughter, Mrs. James Brawley.

—Mr. Luther Thomas, of Hickory, was a pleasant caller at this office on Thursday of last week as he was passing through on his way to his former home near Trade, Tenn., for a short visit.

—The sale of the Cook lands and personal property was postponed on Monday and is re-advertised in this issue. It is valuable property and prospective buyers would do well to look it up.

—The enrollment at the Training School on Saturday last had reached 220, with a considerable number in attendance, whose names had not yet been entered.

—Rev. C. P. Drown, a minister of the Seventh Day Advent persuasion, and an expert mineralogist, who has spent a number of months in Watauga, left Sunday for some point in Tennessee. He is a very bright fellow, but his religious followers are few in this county.

—Attorneys Council and Ballou, of Jefferson, came up Sunday afternoon to look after some legal matters on Monday, and, being caught in the blizzard that began that day, are still here at this writing, are still here waiting for a change in the temperature.

—While the good people of Charlotte and Greensboro have been contending with zero weather, the snakes were sunning themselves on the banks of the little streams that ripple through the little town of Boone, away up here in the mountains. Don't doubt this, please, for a fact it is.

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T. F. SEEHORN, Agt.
Lenoir, N. C. Jan. 11, 1912.

JOB PRINTING.

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—A few nights since Sheriff Ragan and Deputy Robbins captured an illicit whiskey outfit on upper Meat Camp. The copper had been removed before the officers arrived, but several stands of beer, the shed and all belongings to the plant were destroyed. The strange part of the matter is, that the booze factory was located in a laurel thicket within 150 yards of the public road; in a good community, and, from appearances, had been in operation for quite a while.

—And now it is reported on good authority that Mr. Will W. Holslaw and family, who recently moved to Roseland, Florida, will return to their home at Vilas within the next two weeks. That's good news, and the most excellent family will meet with a hearty welcome in good old Watauga, but we would advise that they wait until the weather moderates just a bit here, as the contrast might be too great. If Mr. Holslaw hasn't made much money, he has a lot of valuable experience to his credit.

—Quoting one of the pastors of the churches here, "The people of this community are indeed up against a proposition for church room to accommodate the rapidly increasing congregations. Even now, should the school turn out in a body it would fill to its greatest capacity either of the three churches in the village, leaving the residents out." This is entirely true, and there seems to be but one remedy, that is to tear down and build larger, or, probably, add to the present structures, and in either event it will cost a lot of money. A pity it is that the buildings had not been cut by a larger pattern when built.

—Not only the carriers but the horses on some of our star mail routes, are suffering immensely during this most fearful weather. The carrier can manage to get warm at the post offices along the line, but then the poor horse fares the worst by being forced to stand unprotected in zero weather, while the mail is being handled. The humane thing for the contractors to do, on long lines, especially, would be to provide warm blankets for the emaciated, over-worked horses, and instruct the carriers to see them when they are standing exposed. If this little precaution cannot be taken by the contractors, then there is a law for the prevention of cruelty to animals that should be enforced.

—A Vilas correspondent sends in this shocking paragraph; On last Monday the community around Forest Grove was shocked with the cries of "murder, murder!" After an investigation it was soon found from whence the alarm came. Mr. Joseph D. Thompson, whose head is silvered with the frosts of more than 65 winters, was the victim. His son, Charles F. Thompson, made an attack upon his aged father and beat him most unmercifully. After beating the old, worn out, and broken down parent until the blood was running from his mouth and nose, he then seized the fire shovel with which he gave him two severe blows. Young Thomson fled immediately and his whereabouts are unknown.

Best Gift of Time.

The passing of years is like the coming of dawn—slow, silent, inevitable. The most eager cannot hasten the quiet, irresponsible movement, and the most reluctant cannot forbid. Some gifts the years bring which we would fain decline—age, sorrow, disappointment. Some treasures they take which we would keep forever—youth, beauty, innocence. But there are more precious treasures which time cannot remove—friendship, patients, faith and love.—Herbert L. Willett.

Baltimore was selected as the place for the Democratic Convention to meet and June 25, was fixed as the date.

Death is Far Away China.

Baptists throughout the state will regret to learn of the sad death in China of Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Green, one of the most esteemed workers of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Green has spent the last two decades in the foreign mission field where his labors were highly productive. He was at one time professor of Latin in Wake Forest College, and has many friends throughout North Carolina.—Charlotte Observer, 14th

Mr. Green was well known in Watauga, where he has many relatives. He was reared in Caldwell county, where he has two sisters. He also has two children in school in this State—a son at Wake Forest and a daughter at Oxford. He leaves one sister in Watauga, Mrs. Henry Green, of Beaver Dam. Genuine sorrow over his death will be felt all over North Carolina.

The Year's Hookworm Campaign Most Successful.

The annual report of Dr. Ferrill, in charge of the State Campaign Against Hookworm Disease, sums up the activities accomplished during the year 1911. Some of the records are as follows:

Sanitary surveys have been completed in forty-four counties and infection surveys in twenty-three counties. State and County dispensaries for the free examination and treatment of hookworm disease have been operated in sixteen counties. At these dispensaries 63,625 have been examined and 28,202 treated. These treated cases added to 24,709 which the physicians over the State have treated show that 52,911 people have been treated since the campaign opened. The work is now being conducted in five counties and there remains on the waiting list six counties, making twenty-seven counties making the appropriation for the dispensaries.

During the year there have been distributed something like 200,000 pieces of literature concerning the disease to people from all sections of the State, and about 500 public addresses delivered to approximately 50,000 people. The work accomplished has been remarkable, not alone because of the number treated for hookworm disease, but also for the activity which has been aroused among the people for providing themselves with sanitary surface closets to replace the unsanitary ones commonly found in use.

Quite a number of prizes came to North Carolina apple growers from the Horticultural Congress which was in session recently at St. Joseph, Mo. but those we are most interested in come to our good county, Watauga. They were given to Mrs. Moses Cone at Blowing Rock and Mr. Arthur Banner of Sugar Grove. Mr. W. Hensley of Ashe county received two prizes for the heaviest weight apples and J. J. Love of Poors Knob and the Gold Medal Orchard at Oakwoods Wilkes county received prizes also.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County, I. W. R. Gragg, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners for the aforesaid, do hereby certify that the following is the number of days attended, and the number of miles traveled by each member of the Board of County Commissioners for the year 1911, viz:

J. M. Fry, 7 days at \$2 per day \$14 00
T. L. Day, 16 days at \$2 per day 32 00
T. L. Day traveled 141 miles at 5 cents per mile 7 20.

Total for T. L. Day.....\$53 20.
W. F. Winkler 37 days at two dollars per day..... \$44 00.
W. F. Winkler traveled 260 miles at 5c per mile..... \$13 00.

Total for W. F. Winkler.....\$57 00.
L. A. Greene 10 days at two dollars per day..... \$20 00.
L. A. Greene traveled 96 miles at 5c per mile..... \$4 80.
Total for L. A. Greene.....\$24 80.

Given under my hand this the 30th day of Nov., 1911.
W. R. GRAGG,
Clerk to Board County Com.

N. L. MAST, Pres.
W. C. COFFEY, V. P.

G. P. HAGAMAN, Cash
J. M. May, Ass't. Cash

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W. E. Shipley, Dr. H. B. Perry, E. S. Coffey, J. G. Hagaman, A. J. Moretz, G. C. Green, J. M. Wellborn, John W. Hodges, Dr. H. McD. Little, T. A. Critcher, Kimber Johnson, Miss J. Jennie Coffey, I. W. Farthing, Miss Mattie G. Curtis, D. D. Dougherty and B. B. Dougherty.

WE ESPECIALLY INVITE THE BUSINESS OF OUR COUNTY PEOPLE.

Your Attention, My Customers!!

Having forced the year 1911 to be numbered with the past I take this method of thanking one and all of my customers for their patronage during the past year.

Now wishing one and all a happy and prosperous New Year I again appeal to you for your trade. I do so on merit. My idea of business is to deal with every customer fairly and honestly no matter what may be their station in life; and I further wish to state it is my desire to furnish each and every one of my customers the

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Most Respectfully,

M. B. BLACKBURN.

A WORD OF THANKS.

We want to say just a few words of thanks for the splendid business with which you have favored us during the past year. We are glad to say that our business has increased and we attribute this to the fact that we have endeavored at all time to give our trade

Full Value At The Lowest Prices

Prompt and courteous treatment and immediate satisfactory adjustment of all complaints. We believe this policy has been the basis of success in the past, and, believing this, we assure you that we will pursue the same policies in the future.

We trust the year has been a successful one for you, and we extend our best wishes for a very prosperous and successful New Year.

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LOOK! READ!

On Jan. 15, I will begin a special sale of 15 days for the purpose of closing out a lot of shoes, dry goods, notions & etc..

I have on hand some new pants, Pawn-brokers overcoats for boys, and a great many other things that I will close out. If you want goods at the right price don't fail to come during this sale. I will at all times sell you goods as cheap as you can buy them anywhere the grade considered. Remember that no goods will be sold on time during this sale neither will any tickets be given for goods bought that are on special sale list. This is an opportunity that you should not miss.

Respectfully,

D. J. Cottrell

Embroidery Sale!

Commencing Jan. 15, 1912,—will run for 10 days.

Prices from 5 cts. up to 65 cts. per yd. Don't fail to see cure some of these bargains as they will not come your way again this year. Width of goods will vary from 1 to 28 inches. Wishing you all a prosperous New Year. I am, Yours truly,

R. M. Greene

NOTICE!

North Carolina, Watauga County, By virtue of a power contained in a certain mortgage deed, executed on the 2nd day of July 1908, by A. R. Cook and wife C. A. Cook, to The Good Roads Machinery Co. to secure the payment of the sum of \$1,194.36, with interest on same from the 2nd day of July 1908, which mortgage is duly recorded in Book "M" page 54 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Watauga County, North Carolina and default having been made in the payment of same, I will sell to the highest bidder, for cash at the court house door in the town of Boone, Watauga county North Carolina, on Monday the 26th day of February 1912, to satisfy the said amount of \$1,194.36, and interest, due on said mortgage deed, subject to a credit of \$100.00, the following described real estate and personal property, to wit: all the following described piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the county of Watauga, State of North Carolina, and known and designated as follows viz: Lying and being on the Laurel Fork of Watauga river in Watauga township, adjoining the lands of C. A. Grubb, Eber Gragg and others and known as the Abel Harmon lands and bounded as follows: Beginning on a spruce pine, Joseph Shull's corner, running down meanders of Laurel creek to a stake in Abel Harmon's old line 44 poles then S 20 E to a poplar, then E 10 poles to a white oak, then S 20 E 140 poles to two chestnuts, then N 45 E 60 poles to a lynn, then to the beginning and containing 60 acres more or less; also one no 3 Farquar Saw Mill, one Farquar shingle mill, one swing cut-off saw frame, one side edger and saws for each of the above belts, tools, etc., and one 18-horse power center crank Ajax engine, detached, one 20-horse power Farquar Cornish boiler mounted on wheels with all other fixtures and fittings belonging thereto, also one automatic Farquar shingle mill and saw for same. Time of sale, 1 o'clock p. m. This the 18th day of January 1912.

THE GOOD ROADS MACHINERY COMPANY, Mortgagees.

J. B. Council, Atty.