

TAR DROPS.

Things begin to look and sound like Christmas now.

The weather Saturday was a death blow to Christmas shopping.

Christmas gifts give it to me, will be heard for the next few days.

Santa Claus certainly has had a large display in town the past several weeks.

The frost Tuesday morning was almost equal, in appearance, to a young snow.

W. F. Beasley bought the A. W. Alston residence, on Church street, the past week.

Look out for Santa Claus on Sunday night. Little children should retire early.

The absence of turkeys as a part of the Christmas menu will be quite noticeable this year.

We wish every one of our readers the merriest possible Christmas and an ever happy New Year.

Quite a number of our people attended the Mullen-Sykes nuptials at Poplar Springs yesterday.

A large number of the college girls left the past week for their several homes to spend the holidays.

The absence of eggs will no doubt keep a lot of people from celebrating the coming festivities with eggnog.

Christmas Eve this year being on Sunday, Saturday will have to take its place in many respects, thereby giving us two-days-in-one.

The moving picture show at the opera house the past week has been pronounced as one of the best we have had in some time.

Mayor Holden is having timber placed at his residence on Church street preparatory to adding a room and making several other improvements to same in the near future.

From the reports received here, old Santa Claus will arrange for a good many Christmas trees to be had in the county. We know the little boys and girls will be glad to hear this.

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year is our wish for you. May you live to see many more happy returns of this occasion and enjoy, in the meantime, an abundance of good health and prosperity.

Don't forget that next week will be time to make that "annual" New Year resolution. It is a good thing to do. It shows that there is not an absence of a desire to do better. But this time be a man with yourself and double your efforts to carry it out.

The editor of the Times has a gold Masonic pin with white enamel background that was found several days ago in the postoffice in Louisburg and given to him to deliver to the owner if same could be found. We have this pin at this office and will be glad to give same to its owner.

W. B. Winston, of Franklin township, informs us he made six bales of cotton, averaging 435 1-2 pounds each, on four and one-quarter acres. In this number one was an experimental acre, upon which 2,243 pounds of seed cotton was raised. Mr. Winston has a reputation for making his hog and hominy, and says he is also prepared to live at home another year. This county needs many more such farmers as Mr. Winston.

This week we will give our readers a twelve-page paper in two sections. In it will be found an abundance of good Christmas reading beautifully illustrated, besides the regular news features. You will always find us on the alert to give you the best, and while we will not claim this to be the most elaborate, we believe we have the cream of the Christmas literature. May you and yours enjoy it all.

The fact that Louisburg is growing in popularity as a shopping center, was plainly evidenced by the large crowds in town the past two weeks. The people are beginning to realize that it is foolish to go abroad to do their special shopping since they can get almost anything they want or could wish for, that is desirable from our local merchants and in most cases at a saving as compared with foreign prices.

Drainage Course.

From the following letter, which is published for the benefit of the farmers in this section, it will be seen that a winter course of farming will be put on at the A. & M. College. This course will be free for farmers. The letter, which explains itself, is as follows: WEST RABBIT, N. C., Dec. 10, 1911.

DEAR FARMER FRIEND:—Your farm work for 1911 will soon be finished and you have already begun to make plans for 1912. Agricultural conditions in North Carolina have changed within the past few years and changes are now taking place and will continue to take place. These changes mean progress to the wide-awake and progressive farmer if he falls in with them. The A. & M.

College wishes to help the man farmer as well as the boy farmer, and in January and February of each year offer work designed especially for the men who are making or expect to make a living farming.

I am sending you an illustrated circular describing the winter course, which will begin January 3rd, 1912, and continue through February. As you will see, this winter course embraces all of the more important phases of farming in North Carolina, and every effort will be made to have the work given appropriate and practical. The college has added very extensively to its equipment and is in a better position now than ever before to make the time you spend here profitable to you, your neighbors and your friends, if you will bring them with you. Feeling confident of your interest in the agricultural progress and developments of our great State, I am asking that you send me the names of those you think are interested in this work, that I may write them and call their attention to this course. Please do this at once.

No tuition is charged for the winter course. Board may be had at the college dining hall at \$2.75 per week. Room in the college dormitories are limited but will be furnished free so long as they last. All persons rooming in the dormitories furnish their own bed cover, pillow cases and towels. Rooms outside the college may be rented for \$2.50 to \$5.00 per month.

Come and bring your friends and neighbors.

I will gladly furnish additional information and will be pleased to have you write me.

Yours very truly,
C. L. NEWMAN.

Additional Franklinton News.

The following was received after we had arranged our Franklinton department and we publish it here:

THE WOMAN'S CLUB [MET WITH MRS. B. T. GREEN.

The Woman's Club met with Mrs. B. T. Green on Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. Fourteen members were present and all of them very enthusiastic in the work being done toward "civic improvement." For means of carrying on this work, a play will be given some time in January. After all the business of the meeting had been arranged, a delightful contest on the word "Christmas" ensued, the object being to make as many words out of the one as one could in fifteen minutes.

The prize of a lovely brass basket with fern was awarded Miss Frances Winstan, her number of correct words being sixty.

After the contest there was much merriment in the discussion of ridiculous words many had made, and as the discussion continued more and more words were thought of, until the ladies declared that the number of words could easily run into the hundreds. Delicious refreshments were spread. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. W. F. Joyner on Tuesday, January 2d.

PHILATHEA CLASS MEETS

The Philathea class of the Methodist Sunday School met with Miss Mattie Ballard Monday afternoon. All those present manifested much interest in the Christmas plans.

The young women of this class are taking hold of the work intended for Philathea with earnestness. Wherein for the past year they have been organizing and working toward having a class room added to the Sunday School to hold their meetings, they will, in the following year, spend more time in furthering the real true causes of the Philathea Union. A class room is much needed, however, and they will continue to work for it. At the present time they have \$111.50 in the Savings Bank to their credit. More and earnest work is necessary, however. To all the members of the class and others interested in this work, we extend an invitation to be present at our Sunday School on Christmas, Sunday. We want to make this a memorable Sunday. We particularly want all members present.

WANTED—At once eight men to enlist in Company D., 3rd Regiment, Louisburg Rifles. C. H. Banks, Captain.

Pope Items.

On last Thursday while waiting for some cotton to be ginned at the union gin at Franklinton, Mr. S. W. McGhee fell on the driving belt where his life was crushed out. He was badly mangled and died in a few minutes. Mr. McGhee was 64 years old, a member of Pope's church and a good industrious farmer. He was laid to rest in Pope's cemetery Friday afternoon. Services were conducted by Revs. Mr. Rosa and Mr. Harrell, of Franklinton. Our community sends out its sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family. He leaves a wife and five children.

We are arranging for a grand Christmas tree Tuesday in Christmas week at Pope. All are invited to come.

W. A. Fuller and daughter visited

R. R. Holmes Sunday.

Miss Louise Williams leaves on the 20th for Tennessee to visit her sister.

Some pigs have been put in pork up here this week as follows: H. M. Cooke killed one weighing 646 pounds, many more will be killed soon.

G. H. P.

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20 cent candy for 10 cents, M. C. Pleasants.

New lot of popular priced candies just received. Others charge 20 cents per pound for the same I charge 10 cents, M. C. Pleasants.

See the fresh lot of 10 cent candies at my store M. C. Pleasants.

Get your 20 cent candy from me. It will only cost you 10 cents a pound, M. C. Pleasants.

Nicest lot of toys in Louisburg, M. C. Pleasants. Get your Santa Claus here.

Remember that Jno. W. King is overstocked in fireworks. They will be sold cheaper than ever this year.

All kind of candies, cakes, nuts, seeded raisins, currants, dates, figs at Jno. W. King's.

Stone, Tin and wood lard stands at L. P. Hicks.

Have you seen that beautiful Cut Glass at Will Pleasants' priced so low.

For Rent

9 room house on South Main Street. J. S. Howell

LAND FOR SALE—Several lots with improvements on Cemetery St through to Person St in Franklinton, N. C. Mrs. Ida Winston, 29 Colingwood Ave. S Norfolk, Va.

For Sale.

We have for sale either for cash or on time one saw mill outfit complete engine boiler saw mill log carts belt and everything in running condition. Low price for quick buyer. ALLEN BROS CO.

Taken Up.

One male hog weighing about 90 pounds, and is a peculiar specimen of swine. Owner can get same by calling on me, paying damage and paying for this advertisement. 12-22-11-p. G. E. MACON

DEAR MADAM: I have the Colonial and Florentine laces and Mexican drawn work and all kinds of fancy laces hand-made. All for fine Christmas gifts at very reasonable prices. Call and see them before the holidays. Yours truly, JOSEPH RANEY, Nash St., Louisburg, N. C.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Louisburg Wagon Co. will be held in its office at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, January 3d 1912. A full attendance is desired. LOUISBURG WAGON Co., by GEO. H. COOPER, Pres.

Commissioner's Sale of Land.

By virtue of an order of sale made by the Superior Court of Franklin county in that special proceeding entitled J. T. Tucker, Administrator of L. T. Denton vs. Mollie Tucker, Herrera Jones et al., heirs-at-law, the undersigned will, on Tuesday, the 30th day of January, 1912, at the noon recess of court, it being the second day of the January term of Franklin Superior Court, at the Court House door in Louisburg, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, that tract of land owned by the said L. T. Denton, which is described as follows: Bounded on the north by the lands Ed. Denton, on the east by the lands known as the Gray & Wynn lands, formerly Davis tract; on the south by the said lands, known as the Gray & Wynn or Davis tract, and on the west by the lands of S. A. Jones, containing 50 acres, more or less. This, December 22nd, 1911. Wm. H. RUFFIN, Commissioner.

Very Serious

It is a very serious matter to ask for one medicine and have the wrong one given you. For this reason, we urge you in buying to be careful to get the genuine—

THE FORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT Liver Medicine

The reputation of this old, reliable medicine, for constipation, indigestion and liver trouble, is firmly established. It does not irritate other medicines. It is better than others, or it would not be the favorite liver powder, with a larger sale than all others combined.

CROUP SOLETSKY'S STAR

Guaranteed to cure Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and all other ailments of the throat and lungs.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

YOU NEVER MISS THE WATER TILL THE WELL RUNS DRY START A BANK ACCOUNT TODAY

While your income is steady and everything is running smoothly you don't miss a bank account, but under adverse circumstances you miss the money that you have spent. Don't wait for the well to run dry but start a bank account today

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Officers
President, Wm. H. RUFFIN Cashier, F. B. McKINNE.

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Holiday... Wants Supplied

Believing there is no Store Policy so successful in the long run as supplying customers what they want. When they want it, accounts for our unceasing effort to be able to "Deliver the Goods" For this reason we are stocked, well stocked for the holiday trade with foreign and domestic nuts and fruits and confectionaries, pickles, preserves, jams, jellies, sauces, meat, flavorings, cereals, Chase & Sanborn and Votan coffee and tea, Tarbell cheese and macaroni, can meats and vegetables, celery, malaga grapes, figs, citron, grape fruit, mixed cakes, crackers, bread pound cake, fruit cake. New arrival of cook stoves, heaters and coal stoves and grates.

Our display of Roysters Holiday Candy is worthy of Your Inspection.

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The Famous Cole Heaters for Hard or Soft Coal

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