

For one Year, \$2.00
For six Months, 1.00

Local Department.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS, Editor.

Half-Century at Wilson.

GOING NORTH
No. 47, Passenger and Mail, 10:22 a. m.
No. 45, Passenger and Mail, 5:59 p. m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

True & Co., \$2 a week.
Dr. Tutts, Tutts' Pills.
Willis Phipps, Gas Burner.

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ADVERTISING RATES.
The Square 1 line, \$1.00
The Square 2 lines, 1.50
The Square 3 months, 3.00
The Square 6 months, 5.00
The Square 12 months, 10.00

Quarterly Meeting at Horns.

Rev. J. E. Mann, Presiding Elder of Warrenton district will hold the First Quarterly meeting for Wilson circuit at Horns on Saturday and Sunday, the 12th and 13th of March 1881.

Steam Mill Explosion.

Mr. V. B. Batchelor's steam mill, at Nashville, N. C., blew up yesterday morning, and very seriously wounded R. L. Barnes, the engineer, Henry Hamilton, and this two colored attendants, Peter Cooper and Arch Joiner.

V. B. Batchelor, at Nashville, has a lot of good luggies which he will sell cheap for cash or on time. 10-34.

Ringed Bells.

The constant and unnecessary ringing of bells in the business portions of town has become quite a nuisance and, in behalf of suffering humanity, we call upon our city fathers to have the bells silenced. If this should be allowed to continue, in a short time no one would notice a fire alarm.

"BLACK-DRAUGHT" makes chills and fever disappear. For sale by Peacock & Hargrave.

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The Concert and Festival.

The concert and festival at Maxwells Hall last Tuesday night by the young ladies and gentlemen of Wilson, under the direction of Mrs. F. A. Woodard, for the benefit of the Methodist church was a highly enjoyable and successful entertainment.

We have not ascertained the exact amount of the receipts of the evening.

"WINE OF CARDUI" for Ladies only. For sale by Peacock & Hargrave.

Shaking Affect
Friday night last, in this county, in the neighborhood of Old Jax, J. Farmer's, the sequel to a feud of long standing, took place.

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Our dear friend and brother, Josephus Daniels of that sterling sheet the Wilson Advance has again been visited with trouble. This time it comes in the shape of a proposal of marriage from a belle of this place, who boasts the beautiful name of "Lavinia."

Being fully acquainted with your mind we do not think you need consider. David Crockett's motto is ours: "Be sure you are right and then go ahead."

Bill Appear News-papers.
Some papers are not much account as to appearance but I never took one that did not pay me in some way more than I paid for it.

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Dr. Ward Explains.

Messrs Editors of the Wilson Advance:
In your issue of the 11th of February last, you published to the world in what seemed an Editorial purporting to be the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, at their meeting on the first Monday of the said February; as represented in said article; said commissioners did as their first act, resolve, unanimously that; no more liquor license should be granted to retail liquor by the small measure; or as the craft would say, by the short in this county; except on condition, that the applicant if wishing to do business in the country, should procure to his petition, the signatures of the heads of all the families living within the radius of one mile of the said place of business; or, if in town, all the commissioners of said town, and neighbors near by, otherwise, such application would fail.

So far, I admit the statement is true, but the article proceeds; and holds the entire board of Commissioners up to the world as having weak backbone, devoid of courage, and walking straight back on their heels, in direct violation of their own, and in its resolve of the morning; in that they did grant license to retail liquor, &c.; to sundry persons therein named without compliance with the terms of their said resolve.

You have kindly invited reply or explanation on the part of the Commissioners, and I have waited two weeks to see if any of said Board, to whom your article applied, in so unenviable a manner; if any such there be; but no response has been made; and I avail myself of your kind offer in explanation of my own conduct.

When the liquor storm broke, my back when he had the strength and elasticity of younger years, nor did my courage fail me; I did not go in on my knees. I did not fling in violation of any resolve that I had made at the time referred to, nor at any other time.

As a signatory of the Board of County Commissioners, it became my privilege on two several occasions, to give the casting vote, or in other words, to untie a knot of the Honorable Commissioners; which I did without hesitation, voting each time against the granting of those liquor licenses. You need not fear or doubt me gentlemen; by the grace of God, I shall do the same thing again. It shall occur; and so often as it may occur, and to that extent, receive you of the great solicitude manifested so liberally on this subject.

Very Respectfully, D. G. W. WARD, Chairman Board Co. Com.

Dr. Ward's card by no means responds to the invitation extended by the ADVANCE that the commissioners explain why they should have passed such an arbitrary rule, and then discriminate against one applicant when two or three other applicants for license failed to comply with the requirements of the Board. The ADVANCE made no charge editorially against the Commissioners but simply stated the impressions of the community so far as it had been able to gather them. What the ADVANCE did say in speaking of the action of the board on the license question was this:

Mr. D. H. H., who has been retailing liquor near Stantonburg was refused license, and great was the joy in prohibition circles.

deed was strange, after passing such a string of law which could not be understood, that our Commissioners completely burned their backs over their resolution and granted license to parties who could not comply with their requirements. This is our province to judge, and so we merely state what is generally believed."

Now the Honorable chairman of the board complains that we have done an injustice but he does not attempt to deny the truth of what we published as hearsay.

Since the complaint was made, however, we have taken some pains to inquire into the matter and we have now the very best room for saying that we do not believe that all the applicants were cut out of the same spoon. The law, like the rain, should fall on all alike and it only against the disposition to favor or to withhold, that we have had anything to say. This factor had state I positively that every applicant to whom the board granted license, complied fully with the rule of license established by the law. I have no doubt that the board had been misled, and that there was no ground for complaint, and we had been glad to yield to the will of the board, to publish the Doctor's explanation, but until we are assured that the board adhered daily throughout to their original resolution, we shall not change our opinion recently formed.

Against the Doctor personally, we had nothing to say, but as we had his back-house and the wares therein, we had to say "and that his courage was as unflinching as his days of yore."

There can be no question as to the great merit and desirability of this magazine; in its shape, it is not excelled by any similar publication. The number for March is out, as does every copy, 123 quarto pages and over 100 illustrations, together with a beautiful colored frontispiece. No "Bible without a terra;" "The Union of Our Master Telegraph System;" by Noel (through the illustrations); "A Day Through Cosmorama;" by N. B. Johnson (illustrations); "The Treat Affair;" by an Eye-witness (6 illustrations); "The Story of the Diamond Necklace;" (6 illustrations); "The Pleasant Trade in the Bahamas;" by Mrs. Frank Leslie (3 illustrations); "By the Clouds Boat;" and "Wind the Clouds Say;" by Robert James Mann (8 illustrations); and many other articles, are deeply interesting and replete with information. There are excellent stories, sketches, adventures, etc., by celebrated writers; some admirable poetry, and a very large amount of miscellaneous entertaining, library, news, travel, etc. A single copy of the delightful periodical can be obtained for 25 cents; the annual subscription is \$3; six months \$1.50, three months 75 cents postage free. Address Frank Leslie's Publishing House, 25, 27 and 29 Park Place, New York.

Sectional News.
NASH COUNTY NEWS.
Superior Court in session this week. His honor Judge Greave presiding.

The charge of the Judge to the Grand Jury was a calm and dignified exposition of the criminal law, and elicited expressions of the highest commendation from all who heard it. His judgments, so far, have been in harmony with the dictates of mercy and justice, and his general demeanor both on the bench and in social intercourse has secured him the respect of the highest esteem of the people of the county.

The criminal docket contained about seventy cases, though none of sufficient importance to merit a reporter's recognition, or the attention of our readers. However, we might mention that the three cases against the Teachers for enfeebling away servants, in which the notorious and irrepressible Charles Sears appeared as prosecuting witness excited the most interest, and crowded the court house until the verdicts had been rendered in favor of the defendants. The demeanor of the witness upon the stand indicated that malice was the deep under-current of the prosecution, and hence the bitter stream of persecution which he wished directed against the defendants. As this fact was made very patent, he was taxed with the cost of the action which amounted to eighty odd dollars.

A few colored individuals were convicted of larceny and will be sent, no

doubt, to the penitentiary to pay for articles taken. One, however—an old negro man, who had stolen seven eggs, will be discharged on payment of costs in consequence of his extreme age and decrepit condition. Age, towering in trembling accents to Greens, who heard and stretched forth her white soft hands, while Justice beamed her glittering sword, and cried "let it pass."

A big fight on Monday brought up a reminiscence of the "old times" in anti-slavery days, and showed that the flames of the late civil conflict had not quenched entirely the pugilistic ardor of the Nash boys; and that they will fight if you give 'em a chance.

In consequence of the absence of Messrs. Bostell, Davis, Cooke, and Whitaker most of the civil cases were postponed, and court adjourned on Thursday at twelve o'clock.

Do you want a pure gas light in your house? If you do call at the office formerly occupied by Dr. Moore, opposite Thebour's Barber shop, and you will find a lamp, together with a recipe for making an oil that generates gas, for 75 cents. Burners fit common house lamps that are used for kerosene—reducing a dollar furnished at 15 cents each for larger lamps to make burners fit. Oil of this kind is not quite as much as kerosene, consequently new lamps to buy, but sufficient to furnish the trimming of wicks and cleaning chimneys avoided. Therefore a considerable save is made in the aggregate in a year in cost, and you have a light as far superior to kerosene as kerosene is above a candle.

Agents wanted in every township in the county to sell the Excelsior Gas Burner, with recipe for making French Illuminating Gas.

WILLIS PHIPPS, Agent, Wilson, N. C.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Wheat, Corn, and other agricultural products.

THE Edgecombe Cotton Planter, (PATENTED 1875.) Will Plant Seed without Preparation.

Is Very Durable, Strong, & Easily Adjusted. It is an essential machine, the quantity of seed to be sown can be regulated by the screw under the bottom. It can be run at a slow or rapid rate, and will plant in any soil.

BRANCH, HADLEY & FARMER, Agents for Wilson county.