The Chatham Record

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1883.

LOCAL RECORDS.

The summer is more half gone.

Go to the auction next Saturday, and buy yourself rich.

The young folks about here have recently had some very pleasant picnics.

The beautiful moonlight nights are much enjoyed—especially by the courting couples.

We are indebted to Mr. A. G. Roberson for a lot of the largest beets that we have ever seen. One would be enough for a large family.

You are losing some of these good bargains being offered by London. He is offering goods cheaper than ever seen in this place for cash, and he is selling them so if you need anything you had better call soon. Read his advertisement in this paper and profit by it. He has A FULL STOCK and they must be sold AT ONCE.

As Average will be held at the store of J. B. Harris on next Saturday, the 21st. The auction in the morning (from 9 to 1 o'clock) will be exclusively for women and in the afternoon for men. Here is a fine opportunity to get splendid bargains. The stock of goods is still large and well assorted, and must be sold.

Just to think you can get a nice pair Gloves at London's for 10 cents. Linen Handkerchiefs at 5 cents per dozen, nice Towels, extra large, for 10 cents. Tab. Cloths very cheap. Ladies if you need any housekeeping goods, you had better come to London's store. A few more cheap Shirts left. Remember the bottom has dropped out of goods at London's. Bring the money with you if you want to buy cheap.

"THE DRY FORK."—This is the name that tradition says was given by the Indians to the country immediately around this place, and was thus called because it lies between Haw and Rocky rivers and in the summer season is always drier than any other part of the county. This summer it has certainly deserved this name fully, while in other portions of the county there have been refreshing rains every few days, in this section only we have not been so favored. On the contrary the crops and vegetation of all kinds are suffering greatly for the want of rain.

A FLOURISHING SCHOOL.—We have received a recent copy of "The Bulletin" (published at Bolivar, Tenn.) in which appears a very complimentary notice of the closing exercises of Cedar Fork Academy, of which Prof. T. A. Futrell is the accomplished principal and who is well known to many of our readers, having removed from this section to Tennessee several years ago. While we regret that any citizen of our county or State should emigrate elsewhere, yet if they will go we are always pleased to hear of their success in their new homes.

The Inferior Court.

The semi-annual term of the Inferior Court of this county began on last Monday, and all the business was finished yesterday. There was quite a slim attendance, even on Tuesday the crowd being small and there were no cases of interest or importance tried. The following are the cases disposed of:

State vs. John Womble—Larceny—nolle prosequi.
State vs. Lucien Williams—Removing crop—nol. pros.
State vs. William Fails—Larceny—submitted, and judgment suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. A. J. Oldham—Removing crop—verdict of not guilty.
State vs. Charles Edens—Assault and Battery—submitted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. G. W. May, Sr., Walter D. Moore, H. M. Cowan, G. W. May, Jr., Albert Moore and Benj. May. This indictment was for the affray that took place here at the last election. All the defendants except G. W. May, Jr., who was acquitted by the jury, submitted and judgment was suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. Amos Brewer and John Webster—Affray—dismissed for want of jurisdiction.
State vs. Charles Hill and Ross Hill—Assault and Battery—verdict of not guilty as to Ross and guilty as to Charles; judgment, a fine of $5 and costs.
State vs. Bryan Barroughs—Sci. Fa.—Dismissed.
State vs. T. C. Denson—Assault and Battery—submitted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. Elias Bryan and others; defendants allowed until next term to pay costs.
State vs. W. R. Mitchell—Trespass—verdict of guilty; judgment arrested and defendant discharged.
State vs. Rufus Lasater—Disturbing Religious Congregation—dismissed.
State vs. G. W. Oldham—Selling Mortgaged Property—dismissed.
State vs. Dave Johnson—Carrying Concealed Weapon—verdict of not guilty. The defendant in this case is a well known colored man of this place, and has the reputation among the colored people of being a conjurer. He did not employ any lawyer but argued his own case, and it is suggested that he "conjured" the jury.

PASTURE WHEAT.—The most prolific wheat that we have heard of is one grain producing 82 stems which yielded 1709 grains. This was grown upon the farm of Mr. H. A. Barns, of Hickory Mountain township, who has sent the bunch of stalks and the wheat to the Record's museum, where the incredulous can see for themselves the truth of the statement.

We are informed by Mr. W. H. Breeze of another prolific yield of wheat. He says that Mr. G. C. Cotteliman, of Moore county, sowed 1 quart of Amber spring wheat and gathered therefrom 49 quarts, and used no fertilizers.

SUMMER VISITORS.—In addition to the visitors to our town, whose names we recently published, there have been within the past few days the following arrivals, viz: Miss Katie Dennis, of Georgia; Miss Emma White, of Mississippi; Mr. A. B. Reid, of South Carolina; Mrs. Eva Winston and children, of Franklinton; Miss Nettie Marshall, of Raleigh; Mrs. Bannerman and Miss Winfield, of Pittsboro; Miss Lucy Gatrell, of Mineral Springs; Mr. Ben Williamson, of Graham, and Mr. Tobias Williamson and family and Miss Dora Graves, of Caswell county.

A TURKEY TALE.—Some days ago Mr. J. Q. A. Leach, of this township, missed a brood of 23 young turkies, and, while the ladies of his family declared some tried hard stolen them, he was incined to think it was a four-legged thief and went to a neighbor to get his pack of hounds. In a short time the dogs were on a trail and after an exciting chase caught an old fox, who no doubt had been feasting on the young turkies. Another gentleman of this township informs us that he and two or three of his neighbors had lost a large number of young chickens, but finally they succeeded in catching the thieves, who were rocks.

AN ACCIDENTAL HORROR.—On last Sunday afternoon a negro boy, named Jack Gilmore, was accidentally killed by Rufus Melver, a son of Mr. M. H. Melver, one of the most respected citizens of this county. From all the information that we can gather, it seems that Mr. Melver was absent from home with all his family, except Rufus, a lad about fourteen years old, who with the deceased was playing about the house, and in sport picked up a gun which he supposed was empty, and with which he thought he would frighten a friend. The gun, however, was loaded, and the entire load was shot into Jack's head causing his instant death. It is a very unfortunate affair, and much to be regretted.

State News.

Tales of Sunny Homes: A colored man by the name of Bill Weaver of Lewis township in Edgecombe county, while driving along the road last Sunday morning on his way from an all night's dance and barbecue in the neighborhood, fell dead from his cart.

Hillsboro Observer: Mr. C. W. Lloyd, of Chapel Hill township, was killed by a spider, July 6, while plowing. He was very sick for some time and it was a question he would die, but we are glad to learn that he is improving and will soon be well.

Wilmington Star: During a severe thunder storm that passed over Allen's, Bladen county, on the Cape Fear Railroad, on Monday last, lightning struck the residence of Mr. J. H. Williamson, doing considerable damage to the building, the electric fluid having entered it in several places.

Raleigh Visitor: Col. R. G. Parish, Mayor of Durham, died very suddenly and unexpectedly at his home in that town on the 11th, of heart disease, aged 1 73 years. —On last Friday the stores and together with 15,000 feet of lumber, belonging to Mr. N. M. Newton, of Middle Creek township, this county, was consumed by fire.

Asheboro Courier: Frank Pugh of Columbia Township, accused of having killed his father 12 or 15 years ago, was arrested and lodged in jail one day last week. —When all of the new houses are in the Randleman Cotton Mills will have over five hundred factory houses in operation. This is a fine showing and heads everything in this State. There is not another factory in the State that numbers 500 plain houses in operation.

Biblical Recorder: The Baptist church at Pittsboro is yet without a pastor. Here is a field for some good preacher. The church there, in connection with other churches, can pay a man now, about $500 in money, and he would not be allowed to suffer for other things. This would be but a beginning. In a few years a good man could build up a fine field. There is hardly a healthier place in the State.

Winston Sentinel: A little colored child while picking blackberries in a field near town, one day last week, was bitten in the heel by a copperhead snake. The hide was too tough, however, to admit of any serious results. —The Greensboro people have styled the Salem branch road the blackberry train, owing to the frequent and lengthy stoppages along the route. The expression strikes us as not altogether inappropriate.

Lenoir Topic: Dr. Spainhour has succeeded in obtaining from a Mr. Earnest, who lives on the Yadkin, what he thinks is one of the most valuable aboriginal finds ever picked up in this county. It is a small and rude image of a human being with its arms folded, made of serpentine. The image with the legs broken off, is about ⅞ of an inch long and ¾ inch broad. It was picked up by Mr. Earnest while hoeing corn and is evidently the handwork of the Indians.

Wilson Advance: Mr. John Finch, saved 3000 pounds of clover from three fourths of an acre, by the first cutting. —Ex-Sheriff Cockrell, of Nash, has left for parts unknown. He was behind in his account $5,100. His bond is good and the bondsmen will have to make good the losses. —The fastest time ever made on the W. & W. R. R. was made by the fast mail on Monday night by Tom Lawther, of engine number thirty four, running the distance of 162 miles, in 3 hours, and 36 minutes. To give our readers an idea of the speed we may mention that the big driving wheels made 336 revolutions to the minute.

Morganton Mountaineer: The celebrated criminal Hoke C. Secrest who murdered his wife and child in this county some years ago, and who was tried and convicted and then sent to the asylum on the plea of insanity, was last Wednesday brought back to Marion and lodged in jail at that place. It will be remembered that he escaped from the asylum at Raleigh and was arrested on a charge of cattle stealing under the assumed name of Thos. Medlin. On a requisition from Gov. Jarvis he has been turned over to the North Carolina authorities. He still feigns insanity and is very violent. If it can be established that he is not insane he will be resentenced and hung, as he has already been tried and convicted, and execution was stayed on account of his alleged insanity.

Alamance Gleaner: John Perry son of Ben Perry, about 12 years old, was drowned at Glencoe factory last Saturday. The mill is stopped at noon for dinner, but on this occasion the wheel could not be stopped so the headgates had to be let down and the water shut off from the water house. When the water had run out of the water house the boy was found caught in the wheel, having one leg and one arm cut off. He was missed about 9 o'clock, but no serious alarm was felt about him. The water house is kept locked and besides the door there is only a small opening large enough for one to go through. A coroner's inquest was held which said that the boy came to his death by accidental drowning.

Greenville Reflector: A severe storm visited Greenville and the immediate vicinity last Friday evening. The wind was very high and considerable damage was done. Trees were blown down and limbs and fences settled about promiscuously. A tree in the yard of Mr. J. J. Harris was broken in twain by the wind and fell across his pantry, smashing the house and breaking his crockery, &c. About the same time another tree in the yard of Mrs. Elizabeth Congleton, Mr. Harris' next door neighbor, was blown up by the roots and fell across her pantry, serving it in the same manner. Lightning struck the stables of Mr. R. T. Patrick, who lives about two and a half miles from here and killed a fine mule. The storm covered an area of about three miles around the town and lasted about twenty minutes. A heavy fall of rain accompanied the wind.

Salisbury Watchman: A new gold mine is now being opened on R. V. Lander's property, 8½ miles east of Salisbury. The vein is large and the ore pays splendidly. Old miners engaged in the work believe it the best thing yet discovered in the county. —It is getting to be quite a common thing of late to hear of cows which give from 4 to 6 gallons of milk per day, and yielding from 3 to 8 pounds of butter per week. Is this owing to the "Acts of the stock law?" —Mr. W. A. Lipe exhibited some to bottle from a high bred bull recently brought to Salisbury. The animal was purchased to be gentle, and Mr. Lipe entered the stall to feed or give other attentions, he had often done before, when the bull turned upon and gored him to death against the post and following up the assault tossed him into the feed box, which, it is thought, placed him beyond the danger of further damage. Mr. L. was laid up for several days by the injuries received. —Wheat threshing is the order of the day. Burdine's new Birdsall and road engine left town Tuesday morning for Mt. Ulla township, the best wheat raising section of the county. Instead of a tin horn to signalize their progress they have a steam whistle announcing their coming. It is a long stride in the march of speeding work and will greatly diminish the expense of cleaning up a crop. Another steam and steel innovation is against bees and muscle. Two horses work on with a machine capable of doing five or six times as much work as required ten or twelve horses before.

Statesville Landmark: A citizen of Olin received through the express office of this place, a few days ago, a return of $236 25 from a lot of Confederate bonds which he had sold to a party in Richmond at $7.50 per $1,000. —A little son of Mr. James Eudson, of Shiloh, was gathering blackberries, Monday, when he was bitten on the foot by a copperhead snake. Though remedies were instantly applied he suffered great pain and Dr. Yount almost despaired of his life. He has recovered, however, but the case teaches parents that they should not allow their children to go into the blackberry briars unshod. —A story which we would neither believe nor print, except that it is amply vouched for, comes to us from Olin. Recently a calf belonging to Mr. J. R. Rives of that place, overfed on clover. Its paunch was as tight as a drum, and there was every reason to believe that it was soon to die. Mr. Rives sent for Mr. J. H. Tatum. Mr. Tatum looked at the calf and said there was only one thing to be done, and that was, cut it open and take the grass out. Mr. Rives said he counted it a dead calf anyhow and told Mr. Tatum to proceed with his surgery. Mr. T. took a knife, cut into the calf's stomach and began drawing out clover. He continued to pull it out until he had gotten out about a peck. By this time the stomach had so shrunken that the orifice was out of reach, and so they only sewed up the outer skin. The calf lived but ate nothing for a day or two. Presently it began to eat and seemed to improve. One day it got to its mother and stole all the milk from the children. They watched to see if it would leak, but it didn't, and then they knew if it would hold milk it would hold anything. It is alive and doing well yet, eating heartily and getting fat.

Newberne Journal: There are in Lenoir county three brothers aged 27, 25 and 23. The younger never saw a court in session till last April, the next youngest saw the court in session this week, the oldest has never seen one in session. Neither of them has ever taken a drink of spirits in a bar-room—in fact don't use spirituous liquors—only one uses tobacco in any form, but one has ever danced a set and he only once. —On yesterday morning policeman Hurtt in arresting Horace Kinsey for a violation of a city ordinance while driving cows through the city, gave a blow on the head with his billy which has proven to be quite serious if not fatal. This boy Horace, we learn, has been a cripple for a long time, being partially paralyzed on one side. If this be true, there was certainly no necessity for the officer's using the force he did in making the arrest. No officer has the right to inflict punishment in making an arrest, no matter how abusive his prisoner may be; the infliction of the punishment is for the court. An officer has the right to use all necessary force in making an arrest, and has a right to defend his person, but no further.

Fayetteville Observer: Mr. S. R. Parker, Superintendent of the poor-house, has in his possession an ancient Bible, 216 years old. —Last Thursday, 28th ult., a bright young lad named Willie Delver, while playing about in Mims's Mill, in the southern suburbs of town, was by some means caught in the gearing of the machinery, and was dreadfully injured and bruised before he could be extricated. —The community was pained to learn last Tuesday morning that Mrs. C. B. Mallett had been badly burned in kindling a fire. She used the oil can, which exploded, enveloping her person in the flames which were with difficulty extinguished. Her injuries are very severe and painful, but her attending physician hopes they are not dangerous. —Last Tuesday morning Mr. Martin Grady, night watchman at the railroad, went to his breakfast in seemingly his good health, but, immediately after eating and while in the garden with his wife, he complained of great pain between the shoulders, and was obliged to lie down on the piazza. Dr. Lilly was summoned, but a very minutes after his arrival Mr. Grady breathed his last. —The other morning during the rain, while G. D. Shaw and Andrew Mason were getting out stone in the usual grounds, they heard a whizzing noise, and looking up, they saw an object descending through the air, of which they succeeded in breaking the fall, and it struck the earth with little injury. It was a small white eagle, apparently only a few days old, and the fall of it fall from many above is unbelieved of course it was being carried off by a hawk which had mistaken the prey.

Greensboro Patriot: Monroe Thompson, who listed the taxes in Green township had a careful census of the dog. He counted 384 dogs in the township and 178 persons who pay a poll tax, which makes a fraction over two dogs to the poll. This is a fine showing for the dogs and demonstrates a mathematical certainty that matrimony is going to be scarce and higher. Taking Green as a fair index there is a school marm for each hungry, worthless sheep in the county. What a prospect! —Mr. Enoch at Mt. Pleasant, the mill and store town, was injured a few days since by removing a piece of glass, and all the Sunday school learns broke spoke. The piece left the bible. —Rob. Wilson who put a few trout in a private pond last spring, was surprised to find that at five months old these fish weighed from 1½ to 2½ ounces—without any cost or care, except the building of the pond and the shooting of a few turtles and hawks. Will our people remain with us these fish which promise little to raise there? —The first time I was heard last night. According to old folks it will be hot three months until the first killing frost in Greensboro, which places it about the usual time—say October 14th. —A friend from Pleasant Grove township says a child was born in his neighborhood last week, which has side whiskers and a mustache. —In clearing out the rubbish in Reedy Fork a log was split open, which was filled with sand, closely packed, in the middle of which was a very large turtle. The turtle had evidently gone in while quite small and the log filling up with sand prevented its escape. The impression is the tree had been in the creek for many years. It was alive and hearty and nearly as large as a flour barrel.

Charlotte Journal: Mrs. W. M. Matthews, an old lady who is well remembered in Charlotte, dropped dead at the residence of her son, W. M. Matthews, Jr., in Providence township, this county, a few days ago. The cause of her death is supposed to have been heart disease. —A curiosity at the county poor house is a colored man called "Sam," who can open his mouth until it measures 14½ inches in circumference. —A colored lad named Milton Forney, was yesterday sent to jail for cutting to pieces a saddle and lot of harness belonging to Mr. Allen Cruse, in whose employ the negro formerly worked as a drayman. This piece of vandalism was wrought by the negro out of simple spite. —Young Edith, daughter of Mr. Wm. H. Tucker, who had been lying sick with an affection of the brain at her father's house in this city for several weeks past, died Sunday at noon at 1 o'clock, and the circumstances attending her death were peculiarly sad. About three weeks ago the young girl fell from a tree and received a severe contusion on the head, back of the ear. From this hurt she soon suffered the most excruciating pain, and though closely attended by a physician she continued to grow worse. A few days ago the depression in her skull was discovered and was found to be softening. The softening continued until Sunday afternoon when the young sufferer died. —A crowd of Charlotte people will attend the Louisville Exposition, a party being already made up to go. —Bright reports come from all the mines of the county lately, developments being of a richer character than ever before. All the mines appear to be doing well and paying handsomely.

Asheville's Growth.

From the News and Observer

Ten years ago the taxable property of Asheville was assessed for taxation at about $300,000; the next year at $550,000, and so continuing on the ascending scale until 1882, when it reached a million and more. Last year the increase was over a quarter of a million of dollars, and now the amount of taxable property is a million and a half. The increase of population has been equally as notable and the improvements are even more apparent. Fine buildings, splendid drives, macadamized roads and magnificent bridges at once adorn the city and illustrate the public spirit and enterprise of the residents.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt at Cairo, Illinois, last Saturday morning at about 2 o'clock.

As when She was Young.

"I have used Parker's Hair Balsam and like it better than any similar preparation I know of," writes Mrs. Ellen Perry, wife of Rev. P. Perry, of Coldbrook Springs, Mass. "My hair was almost entirely gray, but a dollar bottle of the Balsam has restored the softness, and the brown color it had when I was young—not a single gray hair left. Since I began applying the Balsam my hair has stopped falling out, and I find that it is a perfectly harmless and agreeable dressing."

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Proprietor.

P. A. WILLEY, Cashier.

PLAIN TRUTHS

The blood is the foundation of life; it circulates through every part of the body, and unless it is pure and healthy, health is impossible. Disease has entered the system, the only sure and quick way to drive it out is to purify and enrich the blood.

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Saved his Child.

Gent.—From the representation of a friend I tried Brown's Iron Bitters as a tonic and restorative for my daughter, which I was thoroughly convinced was a case of consumption. Having lost three daughters by that terrible disease, which the skill of eminent physicians I was loth to believe that anything could arrest the progress of the disease; but to my great surprise, before she had finished the second bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters, she began to mend and now is entirely restored to perfect health. A sixth daughter began to show signs of Consumption, and when the physician was consulted he quickly said "Brown's Iron Bitters" and when informed that the elder sister was taking Brown's Iron Bitters, responded "that is a good tonic, let her."

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF CHATHAM. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

D. G. Fox against Alfred Matthews and Lon Matthews.

This is a special proceeding to condemn land for a mill site, and it appearing that Alfred Matthews has an interest in said land and is a nonresident, he is hereby notified to be and appear at the office of the clerk of the court, within the time allowed by the service of this summons, and answer or demur to the petition, or judgment will be taken against him for the relief demanded.

W. F. FOUSHEE, C. S. C.

June 7, 1883.—6w.

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