

The Carolina Record

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1883.

LOCAL RECORDS.

- Happy New Year!
- Farewell to 1883!
- Turn over a new leaf!
- Prepare to write 1884.
- How did you enjoy Christmas?
- Don't begin the new year in debt for your paper!
- A lot of new blank deeds for sale at the Ricard office.

• Go to Bynum & H. Clark's for your Christmas Goods. They have a full supply.

• A special term of the Superior court of Moore county will be held next week for the trial of civil cases.

• We take pleasure in calling attention to the end of our esteemed countryman, Mr. C. C. Hamlet, who is still with Mr. J. P. Galley.

• Mr. S. R. Perry, the instructor of penmanship at Pleasant Lodge Academy, is spending the vacation at his father's near Chester in this country.

• Hardin, Bass, & Co. have on hand a nice lot of Buggies, Jingles, &c., also a lot of one and two-wheeled Wagons, which will be sold cheap for cash.

• The New American Sewing Machine, No. 7—the best, simplest, lightest running, most complete and cheapest Machine for sale by W. H. Leonard.

• Mr. John W. Hatch has had his Merchant mills thoroughly repaired, and is now prepared to grind both meal and flour in the best manner and without delay.

• The attention of farmers is called to the advertisement of Messrs. Baugh & Sons, in another column. The reputation of their Phosphate is world-wide. Send for Circular.

• Read advertisement of Caribton High School, whose principal is highly recommended by the best citizens of his County, the County of Columbus, and is worthy of patronage.

• A few years ago, when about to commence my studies, I helped you with the commencement of the new year, and am now prepared to do so again. All old accounts may be closed, and new ones made, and the amount due from you will now stand your balance out and settle.

• One of the pleasantest places to visit in Raleigh is Mr. F. A. Watson's shop, which resembles a art gallery. You will there find a large and splendid assortment of picture frames, window shades, cornices, easy chairs, house ornaments &c.

• Happy New Year to you all. W. L. London takes this opportunity of thanking his many friends and customers for their kindness and loyal patronage during the past year and hopes they will continue it during the coming year. He would indeed do his part best in furnishing a complete stock, and giving all accommodations he can by spare dealing.

• A Com. Ceremony.—Mr. C. M. Yarborough, of Cape Fear township has presented the Revere's museum with two well developed ears of corn in the same shock.

• CONGRESSMAN COX COMMENDED.—The *Anson Times*, whose editor is a clerk in Congress, pays the following deserved compliment to the keepers sentitive from this district:

"Gen. Cox was a brave and battle-worn veteran of the 'lost cause' and has won in Washington an enviable esteem by his dignified and steady bearing. He represents the metropolis of the State, and though the successor of a long line of distinguished predecessors, he fills the chair with honor to himself, and with marked devotion to the interests of his constituents."

• INFERIOR COURT.—As will be seen in a notice published in another column, a meeting of the justices of the peace of this county will be held here, on the 22nd day of January, for the purpose of considering the question of abolishing our Inferior Court. This is a question of much importance and every magistrate, who can, ought to attend this meeting and vote for the best interests of the county. We will not presume to suggest how they shall vote, but will be pleased to publish short communications on the subject from any of our countrymen, who may desire to express their opinions.

• SICKNESS NOW.—Now is the time to subscribe for the *Record* because you have more time to read it. The nights are long and it is a leisure season when you can sit down by your fireside and read all the news of the day and thus keep informed as to what is going on around you.

During the coming year the *Record* will be especially interesting as it is the year in which are elected our President, Governor, Congressman, Legislature, and county officers, and every voter ought to be informed as to the issues that will be discussed as to vote intelligently. The *Record* will endeavor to discuss these issues fairly and advocate the adoption of those measures that we think best calculated to promote the prosperity of our people. Will not our subscribers urge their neighbors to subscribe for the coming year?

Newspaper Horray.—It is customary for newspapers to take holiday at Christmas and count a week, and consequently there are very few published this week. The *Record*, however, never quits its issue, but is published every Thursday as regular as the day comes and never fails to make its weekly visits to its many readers. We appreciate what a disappointment it would be for our subscribers to go a whole week without their paper, and therefore it is issued every week, year after year, with never an omission. We are both pleased and proud to state this, because few papers can say the same thing, and we hope our subscribers will express their appreciation of our efforts by promptly renewing and inducing others to subscribe.

CHRISTMAS DAY.—Many hearts, both old and young, were full of disappointed hopes when Christmas morning was ushered in with a dreary rain, which cast a decided damper upon all amateur and amateurish creation, and sadly marred so many of the anticipated enjoyments of the festive day. A few venturesome boys defied the rain and the occasional popping of fire crackers made known their presence on the streets. Now and then a drunken negro might be seen slipping along upon the muddy sidewalks, but the streets generally did not remind one of the crowds usually seen on Christmas Day. Appropriate services were held as usual, at the Episcopal church which was more beautifully and tastefully decorated than we have ever before seen. Many good dinners were enjoyed and the happy reunions of friends and relatives rendered the social festivities of the day exceedingly pleasant. Towards sunset the clouds began to disperse and the bright rays of the sun enlivened the departing day.

THE STATE LAW ELECTION.—The election to be held here, on the 5th day of January, is of much importance to the citizens of this community, and we hope the question to be voted upon will receive the consideration that its importance so much deserves. A large majority of those living within the proposed territory have already registered and it is thought that nearly every one will register before the day of election.

Let every voter remember that he must register before the day of election or he cannot vote.

We sincerely hope that the advocates of the stock law will be successful, and if they are we doubt not in a few years their opponents will adopt it. At least such is the experience of other communities that have adopted this law. The success of our neighbors in this regard is encouraging.

A BAPTIST.—The most improved and educated minister that we have ever heard of was committed in this county on last Saturday night. The victim was two old women and a little girl. Mrs. Olive Gant, nearly 90 years old, her daughter, Miss June, about 65, and her grand-daughter about 8 years old. The two women lived alone about four miles south of this place, and on last Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. Gant, a son of the old lady and who lived a short distance from her, went to her house and found his mother dead in one bed, and in another his sister and lying by her side was his little daughter (who had gone there to spend the night) barely breathing. He at once called in the examining committee, Messrs. Womack, Purcell, Robins, Green and Temple completed their examination of the bodies, coupons, warrants, &c., in the State treasury. The examination was thorough and searching. Everything down to the smallest voucher for the treasury department, as well as for all the charitable and penal institutions, was found to be just right.

—From a gentleman of this city, who returned yesterday from the town of Rockingham, we learn of some trouble at that place last Saturday and the night of that day. It appears that the town authorities forbade the use of fireworks and firecrackers during Christmas week. This made some of the keepers inigand and Saturday, it is stated, they distributed twenty-five gallons of liquor among the crowd and also large quantities of fireworks of all kinds. A regular pie-me then began and the place was stirred to its core, we are told. The authorities were defied, and when the police attempted to make arrests of violators of the ordinance, they were set upon and beaten. One officer was attacked by three men and quite badly hurt. The row continued until far into the night, at midnight, being in full swing. —Last August a negro man who eloped with a white girl, the daughter of Mr. Alex. McLeod, of Moore county, was captured, brought back to Rockingham and lodged in jail there. Some of the negroes, it appears, became indignant at the fact of the negro being in jail and conspired to release him and destroy certain evidence against him, even if they had to burn the town to do it.

A week ago a letter from a negro from another place to a Keyser negro was discovered, and this gave some details of the plot. The time fixed for the liberation of the prisoner and the destruction of the town was last Friday night. A close watch was kept and armed men guarded the place. Of this fact the conspirators must have been informed, since no attempt has yet been made. James Bassier, a negro said to be the ring leader in the affair, was arrested Saturday night and is now in jail at Rockingham.

Of course the perpetration of so shocking a murder has sent a thrill of horror throughout all this section and inspired intense excitement. We are pleased to hear that, on yesterday, there were hopes entertained that the little girl might recover, and if she does, she may be able to clear up the mystery. Pieces of my skull were removed and her head skillfully rejoiner by Drs. Budd and Hanks. It is thought she was awakened by the murder of her grandmother and aunt, and as she raised up her head, was struck with the murderous

blows of an fiendish scoundrel who is now confined in our quiet and peaceful county.

Pleasant Wishes.

At the last meeting of the Board of Education the following was read by Mrs. D. J. Jackson, which at the unanimous request of all the members of the Board made pleasure to the publishing:

"We appropriate to the last meeting of the Board of Education the following:

"A very pleasant and pleasant time to all.

"An appropriate present of poetry to each

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