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TOWN CHAT.

Our Reporter's Street Work and News of the County

Be careful to write it right.
R A Brown is having auction today.

Locky Parish has his cottage on Depot street nearly completed.

Mr and Mrs G W Brown spent New Year at Salisbury.

The little son of Rev Shaw, of Bethpage, is very sick.

We can make Concord boom, if we only set our heads to it.

The calendars are in it. They will be on duty for some time.

W G Boshamer cleaned up Main street for the dirt and trash. It was a good investment.

R H Griffin has gone to Stanly. He is the assignee of Mr Efrd, of Big Lick.

Senator Vance attended the Bill Nye banquet at Asheville, on Tuesday night.

The first of the year—the Phantasma Company at the Opera House, Saturday night.

Mr and Mrs David Bostian, who live on East Depot street, are quite sick with the grip.

Married on the 24th of December, Mr W B J Bost and Mrs M M Penninger, of No. 6.

A reception will be given tonight in Greensboro, by Mr and Mrs E P Wharton, complimentary to Miss Fannie Fisher.

Guilford county furnishes nine more convicts to the penitentiary. They were taken to Raleigh Wednesday.

Rev. Paul Barringer will preach in the Reformed church next Sunday at 11 a m. He has accepted the call to this charge for 1892.

G H Walker, of No. 8, was the first man to have us write a receipt, Jan. 1st 1892, and he paid before it was due.

J W Efrd, of Big Lick, and who lost his store by fire some time ago, was forced to make an assignment, his creditors pressing him. This is to be regretted, as Mr E was a clever man, and suffered a big loss by fire.

The Standard joins his many friends and admirers in the pleasure of seeing Dr. Bays, pastor of the Central M E church on the streets again. He has had a very severe attack of the grip.

Clem. Dowd, of Charlotte, an ex-Congressman of the shoe string district entertained the following news paper men, on the 31st: J P Strong of the Democrat; J B Sherrill, editor of the Concord Times; Jerome Dowd, editor of the Mecklenburg Times, and Messrs. St. Clair, Dowd and Newell, of The Chronicle.

The Phantasma Novelty Company will appear in the Opera House, Saturday night. Of the company there are many complimentary notices by reliable papers. See this: Mr. George Sun, proprietor and manager of "Sun's New Phantasma and Refined Novelty Company" delighted the good sized audience at our Opera House last night with his phenomenal feats of juggling. He is certainly a wonder and the audience made known their appreciation of his art by loud cheers. The whole company is one far above the average good combination on the road and one of the best that ever visited our city.—Blade, Toledo, O.

Election of Officers.

The annual meeting of the Y M C A takes place tonight, at which officers will be elected. It is earnestly desired that every member be present. Gentlemen, see that you attend.

Emancipation Day.

This day is 20 years old. The colored people are celebrating it in grand style. The order was good, and no one can deny that the colored people have a right to enjoy the day. The programme in the court house was an interesting one.

This is Necessary.

To make the New Year a happy one to ourselves and others, says an exchange, we must close the gates on prejudice, envy, jealousy, malice, evil thinking and evil speaking, and let nothing but gracious dispositions enter the portals of the new year. Let us dispense our happiness. The grandest of all arts is the art of doing good.

Eleven Years' Service.

Rev W A Lutz, who has served the Lutheran churches at Enochville and Trinity, in Cabarrus, for eleven years, has closed his work there. A friend of his and congregation furnish the following statistics:

Preached at St Enoch, 379 sermons; at Trinity, 368 sermons; at funerals, 99 sermons. Baptized at St Enoch, 217; at Trinity, 128. Received into St Enoch, 240; at Trinity, 126. He administered the communion 49 times during his pastorate. Rev. Lutz resigned only at a pressing call to Winston.

BAD FOUNDATION.

A Mountain in Japan Slips Into a Hole.

Mr. Igachi, director of the Gifu Observatory, Japan, has been examining the district where the recent earthquakes in Japan were most severe. At this place some years ago, holes appeared in the ground to which no bottom could be found, and it was believed that they communicated with immense cavities far below. Mr. Igachi now believes the earthquake was caused by the Fugiva Mountain slipping into these caverns. In district Ono an immense landslide took place, damaging the Mano River. A lake is now formed which is already fifty-feet deep. Another large lake is being formed in the same way by the Ashiba River at Nagoya. A curious fact is an anonymous writer sent a letter to the Cabinet, some time ago, saying a dreadful calamity would take place October 28th. This was the very day of the earthquake.

Some time ago Dolph Litaker, of No. 4, accidentally shot himself. The physicians failed to get the ball, by probing. On last Tuesday Tom Litaker, brother of Dolph, succeeded in getting the ball, it having shown itself on the opposite side from where it penetrated.

Rev. R. G. Pearson writes a long letter to the Asheville Citizen from Burdighera, Italy, under date of December 3d, and winds up by quoting a few lines about "Home, Sweet Home."

This edition has much to say about onions. Bob Burdette said the most of it and that's right. Onions are popular with the masses, therefore the Standard writes about onions, or employs writers.

Mt. Airy in Ashes.

THE BLUE RIDGE INN AND NINE BUSINESS HOUSES BURNED.

The Loss Over \$100,000—The Work of an Incendiary—Many Other Buildings Destroyed—Rebuilding to be Done.

[Special to The Standard.]

MT. AIRY, N. C., Jan. 1, 1892.

At 2 o'clock this morning, fire bells rang in the New Year.

The magnificent Blue Ridge Inn, containing one hundred rooms, the tobacco and cigar factory of Armfield & Co., offices of the Granite City Land and Improvement Co., stores of Bynum & Co., J D Smith, W E Merrit, J V Mitchell, Robins & Co., Wallis & Long with Mt. Airy Hotel were all totally destroyed by fire; others badly damaged were: Worth & Joye, J R Paddison, Yadin Valley News, J W Pitcher, R L Moore & Bro., K A Loten. Loss one hundred thousand.

The property was mostly covered by insurance. The fire is thought to be the work of an incendiary. This does not down Mt Airy: Telegrams have gone out for 100 masons to replace buildings. G. R. P.

The Blue Ridge Inn was the magnificent hotel, kept by Capt. J W Clarke, formerly of the St. Cloud. The dispatch to the Standard does not state whether any one was hurt, but it is reasonable to suppose that no one perished in the flames.

The Postal Telegraph.

Why should not the government control the telegraph?

Because the telegraph is a luxury, not a necessity, and even at half the existing rates, would be of no value directly to 60,000,000 out of 65,000,000 people.

Let every farmer ask himself what difference it would make to him if messages could be sent at half the present prices.

But the English government has control of the telegraph, and has reduced the rates. Rates in Great Britain are on short distances, and are somewhat lower than short distance rates in America. If for instance the telegraph system of America were compared to a stretch of territory around New York as large as Great Britain, short distance messages here would be as cheap as in England. But in Europe, if a message is sent from Geneva to London about as far as from New York to Pittsburgh, the rates are higher than they would be in America for twice the distance. So the advantage of governmental control is purely imaginary. In America with a population of 65,000,000 persons, the number of messages is only 59,000,000, or less than one message to each inhabitant. As most of the business is mercantile or speculative manifestly the price concerns only a small number of persons, why then should the people who do not use the telegraph, and would not even if the message were only ten cents, be taxed in order that the speculators in Chicago and New York, the gamblers and sporting men may have lower rates for telegrams? For a tax would be necessary to cover a deficit. In England there is every year a deficit of a million or more in that thickly populated country. Here the deficit would be far greater and the benefits would accrue to classes abundantly able to pay for their own messages.

[Let the people control these robbing schemes.]

JOHN C. DAVIS.

The Wilmington Swindler, Waives Examination.

Hundreds of people gathered at the court house at Wilmington Tuesday, to hear another case against John C. Davis, the lawyer, on the charge of obtaining money under false pretences. Davis was cool and shoo hands with several people. Some marks of care were visible however. The Star says that Col. T. W. Strange, his counsel, said that the defence would not longer ask the detention of the court, but would waive an examination. Davis was required to give a bond of \$750 for his appearance on the first Monday in January, in the criminal court. He failed to give bond and was recommended to jail. The charge in this case was by Mrs. E. J. Fanning for false pretences; but there is another by her for perjury, and there are others by Mrs Dixon, a widow, for false pretences, forgery and perjury.

LITTLE DROPS OF

Tar, Pitch Turpentine and Other Tar Reel Products.

The revenue collector has a report from deputy collector Jones, of the capture of two one horse wagons, a horse and a mule and three barrels of moonshine whiskey near Southern Pines, Moore county.

What will be the wages paid farm labor next year is now the chief topic of conversation in Edgecombe, the Southerner says. The opinion is that there will be a general reduction of about one dollar per month.

The editor of the late Lincoln Plow, Forge and Grip overheard some fellows whispering together, one night, as follows: "Carolina Central—pay train—dark night."

He got on his horse and rode twenty miles before daybreak to inform the Superintendent of the Carolina Central railroad that a conspiracy had been formed to rob his pay train. The Superintendent said he had no pay train.

Banking and Speculation.

Any one who has critically noticed even a few of the statements made by the national banks of the country, under the late call of the comptroller of the currency, must have observed how small a ratio their circulation bore to their capital. This is in part attributable to the scarcity of government bonds as security for their notes, and in part to the greater profit in dealings that do not require so much of their own money.

The great growth of speculation in the country also requires for its use much of the money formerly devoted to legitimate commerce and business purposes. It is therefore deceptive to make comparisons of the amount of money "per capita" in circulation at other periods and at present. The gigantic game of speculation in stocks and in the futures of produce is one of late but rapid growth, and requires much of the money in circulation.

The rapid contraction of the circulation of the national banks—reduced from over three hundred millions a few years ago to less than half that amount now—affords sufficient proof that that system is now a partial and is fast approaching a total failure in what has been regarded its chief excellence—the furnishing to the people a large volume of reliably sound currency.—Atlanta Journal.

Onions.

Old people well know the value of onion poultices for many purposes. Either roasted or boiled, they were often applied in cases of croup or sore throat, being put on as hot as they could be borne. In the latter disease or a threatened attack of diphtheria, they are often used, but many claim that they are more rapid in action if pounded up raw and applied at once. In an indolent or slow growing tumor, they will have rapid effect in either form, bringing it to "a head" as quickly as almost any remedy known, and almost without pain. Even physicians recommend the onion poultice to the feet in cases of fever and rheumatic pains, and a few drops of the juice of an onion dropped in the ear, or the insertion of the warm heart or core of the roasted onion, is a favorite remedy for obstinate cases of ear ache and neuralgia of the face. Eating of raw onion is the sailor's favorite cure or preventive of scurvy. Those who can digest them often find the eating of raw onions at supper gives a night of sound sleep in case of insomnia, and where raw onions are not easily digested boiled onions have a similar effect. They quicken the action of the kidneys, and even severe cases of gravel have been cured by a regular habit of eating raw onions. For stomach worms in children they are better than most of the advertised remedies.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Insurance.

I am prepared to furnish Insurance in the United States Mutual accident association of New York City, the largest and best. J. L. BOGER, agent.

Notice.

All persons indebted to the firm of Morrison, Lent & Gillon are respectfully requested to call at once and settle their accounts, as we must have a settlement.

D. B. MORRISON,
A. E. LENTZ,
M. M. GILLON.

October 9.

Seed Wheat For Sale.

Call at Clive & Correll's, in the Allison building, for seed wheat. Come early, as the supply is limited. They have my Fulcaster, Fultz and White wheat for sale. J. N. P. ALLISON.

Beck's Meat Market has on hand every day, fresh beef, pork, sausage and sausage in all styles. Give me a call. FRED BECK.
14 tf.

For Sale.

For cash or on time, one Jersey bull, three work oxen, ten beef cattle, three mules, one improved mowing machine and one improved wheat drill. Call on, W. C. COLEMAN.
14 tf.

For sale, a fine Italian harp, in excellent condition, lately remodeled; the one the Concord String Band has been using. For prices and other information apply at this office. dec. 7 91 d 2 w.

WANTED—Four thousand cords of four foot pine and oak wood delivered at Odell Manufacturing Co.'s cotton mills.

Piano for Sale.

An excellent piano, comparatively new, for sale. Apply to W. M. SMITH.
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Storehouse to

I will be glad to have offers for the storehouse and lot now occupied by Dr. Johnson.

W. M. SMITH.