

## Briefs Adrift.

W. W. Leake, of Francisco, is quite sick, it is learned.

The family of Deputy Sheriff A. W. Davis arrived here Thursday.

J. Spot Taylor and Master Paul visited Winston last week, returning Thursday.

D. V. Carroll, of Mizpah, is shaking hands with his many friends here this week.

The Reporter regrets to learn of the serious illness of Dr. J. J. Leake, of Asbury.

Mr. Joseph Dunlap, of Sandy Ridge R. F. D. No. 1, was a visitor in town Saturday.

Mr. Henry Kiser, one of the leading citizens of Yadkin county, attended court this week.

A fire occurred at the Lackey sawmill at Hartman Thursday. No damage worth mention resulted.

F. L. Moore, one of the leading citizens of Peter's Creek township, is attending court.

R. E. L. Francis, the Reporter's Francisco agent, spent a day or two in town this week attending court.

Ex-County Commissioners J. C. Flippin and Joseph Martin were shaking hands with their many friends here this week.

J. N. Highfill, of Cases, one of the Reporter's best friends in eastern Stokes, is a visitor among us this week.

In a letter received from Prof. W. B. Harris, of Garfield, Wash., he states that winter has just begun there, the first snow falling only a few days since.

T. M. Baker, of Hill Top, visited Danbury this week. Mr. Baker looks as rosy, hale and hearty as a young 16-year-old. There is no more honorable or high-toned gentlemen in the county.

Rev. R. W. George, of Francisco, is attending court. Mr. George is one of the leading citizens of the county, is probably the largest tax-payer of the county. He owns four mills, raises big quantities of wheat, corn, tobacco, etc. Mr. George thinks a good stone wall should be built around the new court house, for the proper preservation of the property.

### BIG FIRE AT THE COVE.

Distillery of J. R. Mathews Burned—Also a Tobacco Factory, a Quantity of Leaf and a Mule Consumed—Partial Insurance.

Thursday night about 9:30 the distillery of J. R. Mathews at Walnut Cove, a tobacco factory belonging to Dr. W. A. Lash, in which was stored 1800 pounds of leaf tobacco owned by Davis & Mickey, and a quantity of building material, the property of Dr. Lash were burned. A mule connected with the distillery, was also consumed.

The fire originated in the distillery and was past control when discovered. The distillery was soon enveloped in flames and quickly spread to the adjacent building.

Mathews is said to have had insurance on his property estimated at from \$2,500 to \$4,000. There was no insurance on the other property.

Mathews' distillery had been stopped by revenue officials since last week, for alleged illicit manufacture of whiskey, and orders were expected for its seizure at any moment.

### A Death Near Asbury.

News was received here yesterday of the death of Mr. Wirt Carter, an aged citizen of the Asbury neighborhood, in Quaker Gap township.

### R P JOYCE & CO

At Walnut Cove have just received a fine lot of men's and boys clothing, hats and dry goods which they are offering at the lowest prices. Come at once and examine. Great bargains.

### SPECIAL TERM OF COURT.

One Of the Biggest Crowds For Many Years—State Docket Quite Large—The Civil Docket Not Yet Touched.

The special term of Stokes Superior court, with Judge McNeill, of Robeson county, presiding, is now in session, having convened Monday morning.

The crowd in attendance Monday, consisting of parties litigant, jurors, witnesses and spectators, was the largest that has attended court in many years. The season being unfavorable for farming operations, hundreds of people came to see the new public buildings. The size of the crowd was conservatively estimated at one thousand people.

At this writing, Wednesday noon, the State docket is well in hand, the following cases having been tried:

State v. W. J. Lewis, concealed weapon, guilty. Judgment pending.

State v. Chas. Vernon, assault with deadly weapon, guilty. Judgment pending.

State v. Lewis Golden and Nancy Chamberlain, f. and a., guilty. Judgment pending.

State v. Luther Simmons, concealed weapon, defendant pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Alex Hinsdale, retailing (2 cases), defendant pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Abe Boaze, retailing, not guilty. (Upon the request of Solicitor Graves, Boaze was held in \$100 bond until Friday, for further investigation into his case.)

State v. Frank Hughes and Ed Nicholson, assault with deadly weapon, Hughes guilty, judgment pending. Nicholson not guilty.

State v. Oscar Caudle, retailing (6 cases), pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Watt Mabe, concealed weapon, pleaded guilty, judgment \$10 and cost.

State v. Joe Bateman, retailing (4 cases), pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. D. T. Watkins, retailing (6 cases), pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. John Fulk and Walter George, assault with deadly weapon, judgment suspended on payment of cost as to George. Fulk not found.

State v. D. T. Watkins and Mrs. D. T. Watkins, retailing, pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Luico Mabe, assault with deadly weapon, guilty, \$10 and cost.

State v. Luico Mabe, concealed weapon, judgment suspended on payment of cost.

State v. John Smith, concealed weapon, pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Mat Mabe, concealed weapon, pleaded guilty, \$10 and cost.

State v. Dallas Martin and J. T. Shelton, affray, pleaded guilty, judgment pending.

State v. Bob Samuel and W. W. Martin, affray, pleaded guilty, judgment \$10 as to Samuel, \$15 as to Martin.

State v. Bobbie L. Boyd, concealed weapon, pleaded guilty, judgment \$10 and cost.

Lawyers in attendance besides the Danbury bar, are as follows: J. C. Buxton, of Winston; Virgil Holcombe, of Dobson; C. O. McMichael, of Madison; R. D. Reid and P. W. Glidewell, of Wentworth.

Judge McNeill, a big kindly old fellow, presides with ability and dignity, holding the balances of justice firmly and impartially. Solicitor Porter Graves, bright and alert for the State's interest, is prosecuting the evil doers with his accustomed fearlessness and fidelity to duty.

Sheriff R. J. Petree, his first court, is managing the crowd very gracefully, assisted by Deputies John R. Smith, A. W. Davis, and Dan Simmons, Deputy Sheriff J. J. Bridgely has in charge the grand jury.

The new court house, completed

except for the seating arrangements, is holding the crowd all right. Not once has it been uncomfortably full. The benches out of the old M. E. church were secured temporarily.

### Death of Alex White, the Tobacco Manufacturer.

Mr. Alex White died of pneumonia following an attack of appendicitis at his home near Hill Top in Meadows township Tuesday. His age was about 40. He is survived by a wife and several children.

Mr. White had made quite a reputation as an independent tobacco manufacturer, and was in the South selling the product of his Stokes county industry when stricken with the illness that led to his death. He was well thought of by his neighbors as an honest, hardworking and deserving man.

### Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking the kind people of Walnut Cove for each and every kindness shown to us during the sad accident and death of our child. We assure you dear friends that your sympathy and kindness was fully appreciated, and was comforting to us during this the saddest trial of our lives. We want to say to you that we never saw more sympathy shown nor more willingness to render every possible assistance. Your kindness will never be forgotten by us.

J. C. BAILEY AND MRS. BAILEY.

### Henry Durret Assaulted—Alleged Guilty Parties Arrested, But Discharged.

Henry Durret, Col., the Danbury miller, was assaulted by unknown parties Monday night while on his way home, a mile south of Danbury. A rock thrown with considerable force, struck him just below the right eye, inflicting a serious wound. He was also hit in several other parts of the body.

Durret came back to Danbury and swore out a warrant for Geo. Bullen, Pointy Duggins and one James, whom he alleged were the guilty parties. Sheriff Petree, accompanied by Deputies A. W. Davis, Dan Simmons and L. J. Young, mounted horses and went in chase of the parties. Bullen and Duggins were found at the house of Jim Bullen near Meadows. One James was there, but the warrant not being explicit as to him, he was not arrested. Bullen gave bond, and Duggins was brought to jail.

At the trial Tuesday, the defendants were discharged owing to lack of evidence.

### Personals.

Among the visitors in town were the following:

W J Johnson, J F Mabe, Wiley Mabe, H O Sams, Y F Sams, J M Redding, J C Flinn, Alex Pruett, Dr J S Slate, Ed Wilson, P O Beonett, M D Sizemore, W S Martin, L H Isom, W W Sizemore, J H Moser, G J Moore, J W Morefield, C L Essick, W F Hawkins, J J Martin, R G Richardson, W M Flynt, J R Vaden, L Ziglar, T J Gann, R M Robertson, J W Mitchell, J M Hill, B F Mitchell, W A Lewis, J E Slate, R E L Francis, Robt. Francis, J B Smith, S B Hughes, J D Young, Z R Sheppard, B L Holland, R B Tuttle, F J Tuttle, Sterling James, S H Hartgrove, J J Spencer, L P Grogan, Presley Palmer, Jas. Palmer, G A Martin, C S Martin, G W Smith, J L Tilley, L M McKenzie, P A Sams, D F Duggins, Z N Moran, W H Hawkins, H F Hutchens, S J Harris, D F Smith, Henry W Kiser, F T Tilley, J M Clark, Willie Hutcherson, A S Mitchell, F G James, R G Joyce, N J Burge, Dr. J W Slate, F G Southern, J C Tillotson, W F Davis, J F Dunlap, Z O Johnson, W T Xiglar, L R Frayitt, Jno. Wiggington, Wallace Webster, W T Clark, Will Brown.

News has been received here of the death of Mrs. P. A. Peatross, at Madison, Tuesday. She was a most estimable lady.

Have you seen the nineteenth century lamps at D. S. Watkins', Walnut Cove.

# Hardware At COST!

## IN WINSTON, N. C.

The Norfleet Hardware Co. is now closing out its immense stock of Hardware and Tinware AT COST.

Biggest Bargains In Hardware Ever Offered.

CALL ON US OR WRITE US AT ONCE.

NORFLEET HARDWARE COMPANY, Winston, N. C.

Next to Peoples Bank, S. E. Allen's Old Stand, West Side of Court House.

### THE LEGISLATURE.

Adjournment In Honor of Gen. Lee. Special to Reporter.

#### SENATE.

Raleigh, Jan. 25.

Springfield offered a resolution to adjourn in memory of Robert E. Lee, and made a very eloquent speech, worthy of the occasion. Thorne, of Halifax, said he desired that there also be included in the resolution language expressive of honor and respect to the memory of the late Col. Francis M. Parker, of Enfield, who was Colonel of the Thirty-eighth North Carolina Regiment. Mr. Thorne said the memory of Col. Parker needed no words of eulogy. His amendments were adopted and the resolution was adopted by acclamation. The president declared the Senate adjourned until Friday at 11 o'clock.

#### HOUSE.

The following bills were favorably reported and tabled:

To amend The Code relative to withdrawal of complaint by plaintiffs before answer or demurrer by defendant.

To authorize the Governor to appoint women notaries public, and to enable them to hold such office.

The following is the text of the memorial resolution offered by Mr. McGill, and adopted: "In obedience to the sentiments of the people of North Carolina, who reverence the memory and valor of those patriots who sacrificed their lives and fortunes to the sacred cause of Southern independence, and to commemorate the birthday of the immortal leader of the Confederate armies, this the anniversary of the birthday of Robt. E. Lee, has been made a legal holiday in North Carolina. Therefore be it

Resolved, That in memory of General Robert E. Lee, and also in honor of that gallant North Carolinian, Col. Francis M. Parker, who died yesterday, the House of Representatives will now adjourn until to-morrow."

There is opposition to the establishment of a reformatory, on two grounds: one, that of expense; the other that some people do not care about reforming the negroes. This is a very curious sentiment, and it seems astonishing that any member of any legislature should harbor it, but it is a fact nevertheless, some members state. A reformatory for wite youths can be built and provided for and some arrangement can be made with Principal Shepherd, of the colored orphanage at Oxford, by which he could provide a department for negro youths, under his very careful direction. All these matters are to be considered.

The design for the monument at Appomattox Court House, to mark the last stand made there, which was won by North Carolinians, is approved, and is decidedly striking. It is a monument somewhat in sarcophagus style,

### and of grey North Carolina granite, and it will be made by a Raleigh firm. The height of the monument is five feet. It is in six pieces, three dies and three bases, with pannels, four in number, highly polished, and with rough faces bordering them. Above the centre pannels, each of which is three feet by two feet, is the monogram "N. C." The monument will be erected at a spot where the centre of the line of General Wm. R. Cox's brigade of North Carolinians stood when it fired the last volley from any troops in the Army of Northern Virginia. Work on the monument begins at once and everything will be ready for the dedication, April 9th, which is to be made a most important ceremony.

### FRANCISCO.

Francisco, Jan. 23.

Mr. Cris Holt came back from Colorado Friday. He has been in Colorado twelve months, and says he didn't like Colorado very much.

People have begun burning plant land in this section. They will soon have the Beaver Dam school house completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. East were visitors at Mr. Clay Lawrence's last Friday.

### TWO FRIENDS.

Mother's Home Afire.

Dr. Martin's Sanitarium—Mothers' Home at Stuart, Va. came very near being destroyed by fire last night.

About 10 o'clock at night one of the patients decided she smelled something burning, and called the nurse who was in the room with her and told her that there was something burning about the house for she could smell it. The nurse went out to see about it and found the building on fire. It caught in the room of a patient by the name of Mrs. Compton, and had made considerable headway before it was discovered. The alarm was given, help came and the fire was soon extinguished.

### Flour, Chop and Bran For the People.

Look to your interest and save yourself money. I have on hand several thousand bushels of the very finest of wheat raised in Stokes county, N. C., and Patrick county, Va., and I am offering the flour out of it at 2 1/2 and 3 cents, as good as can be made. You can get it at either of my mills. I ask the people to quit eating garlic, wild onions and low grade dead stuff and buy something for less money. I also have plenty of rye chop and wheat bran at lower prices than you can buy elsewhere. Now come and see and I will convince you.

Thanking all my friends for past patronage, I am,  
Yours truly,  
R. W. GEORGE.

Will Foddrill, a young negro man, died of consumption near Hartman Monday morning.

Chattanooga plows and everything you need on the farm, cheap at A S Mitchell's.

### GERMANTON.

Germantown, Jan. 23.

Mr. Editor:

Will you allow me space in your paper to give an account of a birthday dinner given in honor of Mr. Charlie Pyrtle's 21st birthday at "Flinty Knoll," the hospitable home of Mr. Hampton. On last Friday from early in the morning until twelve o'clock the guests came in making a jovial crowd of young and old people.

Dinner was announced at 12:45 groaning tables were something good to look at. Many friends and relatives were present and all had a hearty hand shake and a good wish for the young man, who had just attained his majority.

Mr. Pyrtle on reaching his majority has come into a goodly inheritance and as far as mercenary affairs are concerned, is a fortunate young man.

With best wishes for the success of the Reporter.

A GUEST.

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### MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.

By virtue of a mortgage deed executed to William Wall by Jackson Smith and wife, Julia Smith, and registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Stokes county, in Book No. 25, pages 10-11 and 12, I will sell for cash at public auction at the court house door in Danbury on Saturday the 25th day of February, 1905, at 1:30 o'clock, P. M., the following described land: Two thirds an individual interest of a certain tract of land in Stokes county, on the waters of little Neatman Creek adjoining the lands of the late J. B. Vaughn, Joel F. Hill, Abram Lewis and others and bounded as follows: Beginning at pointers in G. W. Tuttle's line, now Ashel Lewis', thence North on Abram Lewis' line 50 chains to a chestnut and black gum, East 3 chains and 36 links to a stake, North 24 1/2 chains to a white oak and black oak, East 30 1/2 chains to a chestnut and sprouts, South with J. F. Hill's and J. B. Vaughn's lines to the road leading from Dicy Smith's to J. B. Vaughn's between 30 and 40 chains, thence along said road as it meanders and south-west direction to the north-west corner of a tract of land belonging to J. B. Vaughn and known as the John Smith tract, and about 50 yards from Dicy Smith's spring, thence a degree line with said Vaughn's line in a south-west course to Ashel Lewis' line, thence west to the beginning, containing 169 acres more or less.

The above land is in a good neighborhood near school and church and good for farming purposes.

This the 17th day of Jan., 1905.  
JAS. C. WALL,  
Admr. of William Wall.