

The Messenger. T. G. COBB, (PUBLISHER.) EDITORS: WM. H. WHITE, ... SUBSCRIPTION PRICE, \$1.00 ... Entered at the Post Office at Marion, N. C., for transmission through the mails, as second-class matter. FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1897. A HIGH TARIFF AGAIN. The tariff is to be raised on wool and wollen goods, on sugar and many other articles that are necessities of the poor. Bagging and ties and some other articles that the democrats wanted put on the free list, would not be so allowed by the republican majority of the committee. The best test year of the last high tariff McKinley law raised less money by \$21,000,000, than the best test year of the low tariff Wilson bill. Thus a lower tariff raised more money than a high tariff, costing the consumer of goods less, and giving the government more funds. Yet it is named a tariff to raise revenue and provide protection. If it operates as the last McKinley tariff it will reduce revenue, and take more money out of the pockets of the buyers of goods and place it in the pockets of the manufacturers and trusts. Hon. Wm. L. Wilson rightly says, all that is necessary to keep up with the expenses of the government is to reduce expenses where possible, and put a higher tax on coffee, tobacco, spirits—the luxuries of life—and let the necessities of the poor man alone. This high tariff bill is introduced evidently by the wishes of many in the majority party, accelerated by those high tariff barons who paid large sums into the national campaign fund last year. They want to be repaid. But the leading republicans of the Senate are reading the handwriting on the wall of public opinion afar off. They see defeat in the high tariff of the house becomes law. They say it shall not become law, that it will be greatly modified. We will wait and see. The battle is on again between those who believe in a tariff for revenue, with incidental protection, and a tariff whose main feature is protection to manufacturer, who least needs it, with an incidental revenue feature. Little time is allowed for such a discussion, if it is to be discussed. But continually opening up a discussion on the tariff, which was well settled under the Wilson bill, tends to disarrange and distract business. Says the Philadelphia Times: "The proposed tax on wool will advance the prices of woolsens from 25 to 35 per cent." The higher tariff will enable the manufacturer to pay his laborers higher wages, yet the consumers of the goods will have to pay those higher wages in the increased price of the goods. The consumers are a hundred times more numerous than the laborers in such factories. Shall all consumers be taxed to benefit only the manufacturer and his employees? From State authority we learn that "the amendment to the general road law provides that any county having a road fund may be entitled to the use of convicts from the penitentiary, and that the penitentiary authorities may refuse the use of such convicts as are indispensable to the cultivation of the crops on the farms between 1st of March and the 15th of July. Spain from indications is evacuating the island of Cuba quietly and rather secretly. This is supposed to be the beginning of the end of Cuban independence, as Spain is giving it up. In fact it is very apparent, by many Spaniards in Cuba, that Cuba will be free. An effort is on foot to purchase interest of Spain in the island completing independence. Mr. T. F. Milliken, of Randolph county, is to be marshal of the western district, to succeed T. J. Allison. It is said that an eastern man is to succeed Judge Seymour.

FROM WASHINGTON. Audacious Proceeding in the House—Representative Clark's Red-Hot Speech—Mr. McKinley and Other Republicans Much Alarmed at the Signs of a Probable Tariff Revolt in the Senate—Other News. From Our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, March 22.—Nothing more daring has been done in the House during the early part of the autocratic reigns of Czar Reed than the passing in a few hours of the appropriation bills which failed to become laws at the last session of Congress, without reference to any sort of committee and practically without debate. Just stop and think for a moment of the audacity of this proceeding. Here is a new member being introduced who did not belong to the last House and who knows no more about the items in those appropriation bills than if they had been prepared in Africa. These bills were brought forward and the House was ordered to pass them "sagitt usen," as the boys used to say about swapping concealed articles, although they carried many millions of the people's money, and it was admitted by some of the republicans who helped to force them through that they contained items that were questionable, as well as those that were extravagant. And this remarkable assumption of authority on the part of Czar Reed had not even the excuse of urgency and lack of time to have the bills take the regular course of such measures. There will be time to waste in the House after the 31st of this month, upon which the McKinley tariff bill, No. 2, is to be passed. The sole object was to keep the hands of the House tied for the whole of the present session, by not appointing the regular committee, another unheard of thing, originated by the gentleman from Maine, who still kindly allows the members of the House to draw their salaries and dispose of the money without consulting him, and who also allowed them to vote themselves extra mileage. Representative "Champ" Clark, of Missouri, made a red-hot speech in the House on the new method of passing appropriation bills, saying in part: "The longer a man lives the more he finds out. First and last, I've said some unkind things of the United States Senate, and poked considerable fun at it. In the days of 1894 I was so exasperated at its conduct that, although I believe in two legislative bodies, I was in favor of abolishing it. But in this distinguished presence I wish to retract all the criticisms I have made against it. I think God that the Senate remains a deliberative body. In this House we are going through the most amazing, most astounding performance which ever took place on this continent." Speaking of the tariff to the republicans, Mr. Clark said: "In the campaign of last year you charged \$500,000,000 voters of this country with being anarchists. You are the real anarchists. What is anarchy? It is running the affairs of a country without government. You are doing just what you charged as with wanting to do; but let me tell you, a day of reckoning will come." Mr. McKinley and other republicans are much alarmed at the signs of a tariff revolt in the Senate. It is given out by the prominent republican Senators, among them members of the Senate Finance Committee, which has already taken up the subject, that the McKinley tariff bill, No. 2, will not do, and that they are going to amend it so it will not be recognized. It is, of course, possible that these republican Senators are only making a bluff to give Mr. McKinley an opportunity to offer them inducements in the shape of patronage to support his tariff bill, but the manner in which the Senate amended the two last tariff bills passed, is calculated to make Mr. McKinley believe it means something more serious. There is a rumor that Secretary Bliss has resigned because Mr. McKinley compelled him to accept the resignation of Land Commissioner Lamoreux, which was tendered before the close of the Cleveland administration, and which Bliss had refused to accept because of accusations made in connection with the Chicago lake front land case, but the rumor is denied. Although the output of the administration pie plant continues limited in quantity, the fact is noted with wrath by those who were not original McKinleyites that nearly all that has been dished out has gone to the original McKinley men. This too, in the face of Mr. McKinley's continued restoration of his old party to recognize no factions of his party in making appointments. It is beginning to dawn upon the minds of some of the republicans who were not for McKinley before the St. Louis convention, that they are being tricked. Whenever one of them looms up as a prominent aspirant for a good position, it "happens" that he runs against Mr. McKinley's very convenient rule not to appoint men who cannot get the endorsement of the entire Congressional delegation. It looks very much as though the old anti-McKinleyites would have to content themselves with the smaller Federal offices in their States, while King Hanna takes care of "our friends." Some destructive cyclones have followed the hot spell in South-east Alabama and in South Georgia, but we are much protected here from such death dealing war of the elements by our mountains. Corbett seems to be "spoiling" for another "bruiser," but "Bruiser" Bob, metaphorically, pats his \$33,000 and says, no more fights now. Rheumatism Quicker Cured. After having been confined to the house for eleven days and paying out \$25 in doctor bills without benefit, Mr. Frank Doolin, of Sault Ste. Marie, Chamberlain was cured by one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Expeller. He writes and has not since been troubled with that complaint. For sale by Morpew & White.

LIFE ESTATES. A Table of Value for Lawyers and Others. Law Department of Charlotte Observer. Prepared by Charles W. Tittet, of the Charlotte Bar. The following is a table prepared by Hon. W. M. Robbins, of Statesville, showing percentage value of life estates and remainders for every age of life tenant from 10 to 95 years: Age, Life Remainder, Age, Life Remainder. 10, 94.15, 5.85, 53, 66.56, 33.44. 11, 93.94, 6.06, 54, 65.17, 34.83. 12, 93.52, 6.48, 55, 63.58, 36.42. 13, 92.99, 6.99, 56, 62.21, 37.79. 14, 92.35, 7.65, 57, 60.88, 39.12. 15, 91.59, 7.95, 58, 59.24, 40.76. 16, 90.72, 7.28, 59, 57.50, 42.50. 17, 89.74, 7.26, 60, 55.93, 44.07. 18, 88.65, 7.35, 61, 54.47, 45.53. 19, 87.45, 7.50, 62, 53.18, 46.82. 20, 86.14, 7.80, 63, 51.98, 48.02. 21, 84.72, 8.28, 64, 50.86, 49.14. 22, 83.20, 8.80, 65, 49.74, 50.26. 23, 81.58, 9.42, 66, 48.74, 51.26. 24, 79.96, 10.04, 67, 47.74, 52.26. 25, 78.34, 10.66, 68, 46.74, 53.26. 26, 76.72, 11.28, 69, 45.74, 54.26. 27, 75.10, 11.90, 70, 44.74, 55.26. 28, 73.48, 12.52, 71, 43.74, 56.26. 29, 71.86, 13.14, 72, 42.74, 57.26. 30, 70.24, 13.76, 73, 41.74, 58.26. 31, 68.62, 14.38, 74, 40.74, 59.26. 32, 67.00, 15.00, 75, 39.74, 60.26. 33, 65.38, 15.62, 76, 38.74, 61.26. 34, 63.76, 16.24, 77, 37.74, 62.26. 35, 62.14, 16.86, 78, 36.74, 63.26. 36, 60.52, 17.48, 79, 35.74, 64.26. 37, 58.90, 18.10, 80, 34.74, 65.26. 38, 57.28, 18.72, 81, 33.74, 66.26. 39, 55.66, 19.34, 82, 32.74, 67.26. 40, 54.04, 19.96, 83, 31.74, 68.26. 41, 52.42, 20.58, 84, 30.74, 69.26. 42, 50.80, 21.20, 85, 29.74, 70.26. 43, 49.18, 21.82, 86, 28.74, 71.26. 44, 47.56, 22.44, 87, 27.74, 72.26. 45, 45.94, 23.06, 88, 26.74, 73.26. 46, 44.32, 23.68, 89, 25.74, 74.26. 47, 42.70, 24.30, 90, 24.74, 75.26. 48, 41.08, 24.92, 91, 23.74, 76.26. 49, 39.46, 25.54, 92, 22.74, 77.26. 50, 37.84, 26.16, 93, 21.74, 78.26. 51, 36.22, 26.78, 94, 20.74, 79.26. 52, 34.60, 27.40, 95, 19.74, 80.26.

TOUR DOWN BY A TORNADO. A School House in Georgia Destroyed—Eight School Children Killed—A Head and Others Injured—A Professor Among the Fatally Injured—Distressing Scenes Around the Wrecked Building. ATLANTA, Ga., March 22.—A special to the evening Constitution from Arlington, Ga., says: "A cyclone struck this town and has left behind it a trail of death and disaster. The high school building was blown to pieces and from the wreck nearly a hundred dead, dying and injured people have already been taken out. The dead are: Claude Roberts, school boy; Ollie Parrame, school girl; Alice Putnam, school girl; Albert Butler, school boy; Willie McMurray, school boy; Maud Johnson, school girl; Mary Wellins, school girl. The injured are: Prof. Covington, school teacher; Prof. Walker, teacher. At least ten others will die, according to the hasty reports of the corps of emergency physicians now caring for the injured. Prof. Walker cannot live and Prof. Covington is seriously hurt. Not a single soul in the big building escaped injury. About 7:30 there was a lull in the high winds which prevailed, giving some promise of a clear day. Prof. Covington, going out to look around, beheld a dark cloud, well fringed with electricity, moving rapidly in the direction of the school. His trained eye told him at once that there was danger. Hurrying the children into the building for safety, the roaring of the coming cyclone was upon them before they had time to think. The storm increased in strength and velocity, and the building being in the path, began to wobble. The building was wrenched into fragments, so that the pieces fell inward, and among the first struck were Claude Roberts and Alice Putnam, who were knocked into insensibility. Little Willie McMurray had been caught under the heavy timbers and the life was crushed out of him. Kenneth Boynton was the next seen vainly trying to escape from the death trap, but too late, for the fatal blow had been struck. Prof. Covington and Walker both worked, notwithstanding their serious wounds. The scene was soon surrounded by the parents of the children. The sight of eight little ones already dead, and of ten others crushed and bleeding, in all the phases of torture, was enough to freeze the stoutest hearts. Among these wounded, quite a number are not expected to recover, and it is more than likely that the list of dead will be doubled before night. This is the most shocking disaster which ever occurred in this section. Blakely, Ga., was struck by a severe storm this morning, which did enormous damage and cost several lives. The charges of lightning and the storm is still present, and during the confusion nothing can be definitely learned as to the amount of harm done or the number of lives lost. It is known, however, that several are killed, and many more severely injured so that they will probably die. STATE NEWS. The largest and finest crystal of mica ever found has been placed in the State Museum. It weighs 104 pounds, and is worth \$400. It is from the Bowen mine, in Macon county. Hon. Wm. L. Wilson, late Postmaster General, and now president of Washington and Lee University, will deliver the annual address before the University of North Carolina on Wednesday, June 2nd. The new board of directors of the Eastern Hospital at Goldsboro met Tuesday and elected Dr. Abner Alexander, of Tyrrell county, superintendent. Dr. Alexander is a Republican and was a member of the House in the last Legislature. At Newton Sunday night, on the way home from a festival, Calvin Reinhart, colored, was struck on the head by a six-pound rock, thrown by some one who came up behind him. He was killed instantly. The coroner committed Mert Cain, Steve Loretz and Mack Hunsucker for being implicated. Governor Russell has named the following directors for the North Carolina Railroad: R. M. Norment, who is to be president; V. S. Lusk, C. A. Cook, H. N. Butters, J. S. Anderson, A. W. Graham, William Gilchrist and John Graham. Not one of them lives on the line of that road. The 91 banks in this State make quite a good showing in their quarterly statement. They have \$5,396,813 capital stock, \$1,141,722 surplus, \$715,429 undivided profits, \$9,701,393 individual deposits, subject to check. There is only \$707,068 of bank notes. Of gold there is \$800,000 and of silver \$343,000. Masons will be interested in the fact that Wilkes county leads the State in the number of lodges. It has no less than nine. Wilkes also leads the State in the number of Confederate pensioners. There were also a very large number of Federal troops from that county, perhaps as many as from Mitchell or Madison. Something to Depend On. Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowart, Ill., speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with a gripe, and her case grew so serious that she was taken to the hospital and could do nothing for her. He bought a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and gave her to get better from the first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs, Croup and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at Morpew & White's Drug Store. Bilious Colic. Persons who are subject to attacks of bilious colic will be pleased to know that a new and reliable remedy has been taken Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and if taken as soon as the first indication of the disease appears, it will prevent an attack. For sale by Morpew & White.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS. Items of Interest from the Counties Around Us. TOLD BY THE PRESS. GOLD FEVER AT HARTLAND. A Gold Mine Also Being Worked Successfully on the Lands of Mr. J. H. Hoffmann—A Court Case Reopened—Sheriff Boyd's Injuries More Serious Than at First Supposed. Lenoir, Twp., March 16th. There is somewhat of a gold fever out about Hartland. Several Northern prospectors have been sitting the sands and breaking rocks in that neighborhood recently. Mr. J. H. Hoffmann, of New York, who spent some time in and about Lenoir last summer, has organized a company and is working a gold mine on the lands of Mr. J. H. Hoffmann. We learn that the mine is paying handsomely, and the company is likely to buy the property which, so far, they have been working on rental. Mr. and Mrs. L. Anderson, of Little River, passed through Lenoir Wednesday of last week on their way home from visiting Mrs. Tennessee, a sister of Mrs. Anderson, of Glen Alpine, Burke county. From them we learned that Mr. and Mrs. Tennessee's two-year-old little girl had died the week before. Chief Justice Ballew held down the wool sack in great style in the court house last Wednesday. With Jim Abernethy acting as high sheriff and George W. Wright and the editor of the Topic for tipstiffs, the dignity of the court, it may well be imagined, was being preserved. Mr. J. H. Hoffmann, with learned counselors and associate justices as witnesses, and three able jurists sparring on nice technicalities, and the venerable Chief Justice gravely riling on the weightier matters of the law, it was a court to be remembered. A stranger dropping in, no doubt would have concluded he was in the presence of the Queen's Bench. Mr. Marcus Courtney, the manager of the County newspaper, the Standard of Hartland, turned his face toward the staid old Scotch Irish Presbyterian town of Fayetteville last Monday morning on a happy mission. Wednesday's daily Observer gave the public to understand the full purpose of the trip. From it we copy the following item: "This morning, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's cousin, the Misses Mallet, on Burgess street, Mr. Marcus Courtney, of Lenoir, Caldwell county, was married to Miss Mamie Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Evans. The wedding was a quiet one, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Mr. McKelvey in the presence of the family. The quick response of so many to help extinguish the fire at Dr. Moore's residence yesterday morning, was largely the result of having a telephone exchange. As soon as the fire was discovered, the alarm was telephoned to the central office, and in a moment the whole town knew of the alarm. The fire was received by Sheriff Boyd in the tussle with Fry Torrence on Tuesday of last week were much more serious than was at first supposed. The Sheriff has been confined to his room ever since the following day, and for the first day or two after the occurrence, it was feared the injuries might prove fatal. The physicians thought two ribs were broken loose and the lining over the lungs severely bruised. His sufferings have been intense, but he is better and it is hoped he will be out in a few days. Rev. T. A. Boone began his protracted services at the Methodist church Sunday. The gentleman who was to be with him in this meeting, Rev. Mr. Erwin, of Nebraska, did not arrive till this evening. He brings with him another evangelist—a Mr. Willis. PROF. JOLLY'S RETURN. He Escapes from the Chain Gang and is Recaptured—The Lincoln Democrat Sold—Capt. Rheinhardt Gets "Pie"—Other News. Lincoln Democrat, March 19th. The Bank of Lincoln was one year old on the 15th and the statement, published elsewhere in this issue, shows that it has resources amounting to \$26,345.59. Dr. Monroe, of Davidson College, having declined the superintendency of the Morganton Asylum, which was tendered him by Gov. Russell, a correspondent of the Charlotte Observer suggests the appointment of Dr. Sinclair Davidson, of this county, and pays a high compliment to his skill and learning. Deputy Collector Williams, of Newton, and Messrs J. H. Bissner, Walter Farris and E. W. Keener made a raid into Lee, having been notified and captured a sowpaul named Ben Cherryville. They destroyed 1,200 gallons of beer and a lot of low wines. The moonshiner, with his "copper," was absent. Capt. Geo. W. Garrison, a veteran engineer of the Carolina Central, who had many friends along the line in this section, died at his home in Polkton on Sunday, the 7th. Capt. P. P. Rheinhardt, of Catawba, accompanied by his son and several young men whom he had appointed as guards, passed through Tuesday on his way to take charge as superintendent of the State farm in Anson county. Capt. Rheinhardt received the appointment from Governor Russell. The position pays about \$1,700 per year. Mr. S. G. Finley has sold the Lincoln Democrat outfit to Messrs. L. P. Erwin and L. D. Miller, who are packing it up and shipping it to Rutherfordton, where they will resume the publication of the Vindicator, which was published there years ago by Major Erwin and which was a power for good in that section. Mr. S. G. Finley, who has so well served the people of Lincoln county as editor of the Democrat, will devote his entire attention to his large law practice, and it was the rapid increase in this which led him to sell his newspaper outfit. It is a cold, clammy day when Prof. John Jolly, of this burg, fails to

furnish a job for the police and an item for the newspaper. At last fall term of the Superior Court, Prof. Jolly was convicted of larceny and sentenced to prison for 12 months. He was hired to be the commissioner of Union county and put work on the chain gang. His blunders won the confidence of the overseer and about two weeks ago he was made a trusty. On Monday night of last week he took leg bail, persuading another trusty, John Hobbs, colored, from Gaston county, to accompany him. Saturday night Chief of Police Z. W. Farris, got information that Jolly and the other convict were here, and shortly after noon Sunday he located them in the house of Jolly's mother in Kingdom, and with a posse went to arrest them. Hobbs was caught in bed, but Jolly dashed out of the house and hiding escape cut off toward the river, he hid in a barn. Turning Hobbs over to an officer, Chief Farris gave a hunt for Jolly and found him. Hurling two rocks at the officer, both of which barely missed his head, Jolly dashed into the house and made his way into the "loft" by a small trap door, and there defied the officers, swearing he would die and go where everybody knows he will eventually bring up, before he would be taken. The Chief summoned a number of citizens armed with Winchester rifles and about a dozen men in formation of his hiding place with bullets when Jolly surrendered and was lodged in jail. NEWS FROM HICKORY. Conductor E. W. Kooz has His Right Hand Blandly Mashed—Two Citizens of Hickory Arrested in New York—Other News. Hickory Times, March 18th. A tea given to a party of little girls last Saturday afternoon by Mrs. E. B. Cline was very much enjoyed by the participants, and made of every one a staunch friend of the charming hostess. Mr. J. D. Elliot has purchased from Mr. A. Shuford some valuable business property on Trade street, including the store now occupied by Mr. A. W. Chance. It is the intention of Mr. Elliot to put a two story brick building on the lot this summer. Rev. Mr. Satterlee, of Morganton, conducted the services in the Episcopal church Sunday, administering communion at the morning service. Three services were held during the day and the congregation was much pleased with the splendid sermons they heard. Rev. Mr. Griffin conducted services for Mr. Satterlee at Morganton. Our townman, Mr. A. C. Link, has probably furnished more boys to the railroad service than any other man in this section. He has four sons, all of whom are employed in the offices of the Southern Railway Company. Of these, one is at Columbia, S. C., two at Pelzer, S. C., and one at Augusta, Ga. All are bright, capable young men. Police Captain Chapman, of New York city, who attained notoriety some time ago by arresting the Seyley dinner revelers, gained more fame week before last by raiding a dance hall in the Tenderloin district and capturing about 500 people. Among those arrested were two citizens of Hickory, who were detained all night at the police station. They were released by the police justice next morning, though only the experience of the night without sleep in a cell. Conductor E. W. Kooz, of the Southern, had his right hand badly mashed this morning. His freight train broke in two between Hickory and Conover and Mr. Kooz was assisting in getting the cars together. While coupling the cars his hand was caught between the bumpers and severely injured. After the accident the train came on here and Mr. Kooz was taken to the office of Dr. E. R. Russell for treatment. We have not learned the extent of the injury, but it is thought that one or two fingers will have to be amputated. PERSONS BREAKE JAIL. Sudden Death of a Good Farmer—Archer Day at Ellenboro—Death at Tiger—May News. Rutherfordton Vindicator, March 19th. The many friends of Senator M. H. Justice will be sorry to learn that he has been confined to his room for the past week with grip. Tom Smith, the negro who was lodged in jail about one month ago for stealing a pair of pants at Forest City, and Tom Arrows, who was in jail for carrying concealed weapon, prized their cage door open Friday night with a stick of wood and went up to the ceiling, took several bricks out and crawled out on a small porch, tied their blankets together and let themselves to the ground. It is reported they are somewhere in South Carolina. Capt. C. W. Watkins, secretary and treasurer of the Rutherfordton Fair Association, informs us that he proposes to have good racing at the fair ground May 20th next. Mr. Spain Painter, a respectable farmer of this county, dropped dead near Henrietta last Thursday. He lived about mile from Henrietta. He went out Thursday morning to work, when he dropped suddenly to the ground. He was taken to the house, which is a few hundred yards, and died in ten minutes. He was brought here Friday and buried. Rev. J. B. Carpenter conducted the funeral services. Archer Day was observed at Ellenboro Wednesday, and about 900 shade trees set out on the streets. Capt. W. T. Bell, of the Rutherfordton Military Institute, made an excellent speech on "Development of the Day" and will be long remembered. Mr. W. C. Williams, a highly esteemed merchant of the Tiger neighborhood, died very suddenly Friday night at his home at Afton. He was about 40 years old and leaves a wife and several children who have the sympathy of this community. The funeral services took place at Bill Creek church Saturday. Subscribe for THE MESSENGER. \$1.00 a year.

BARN, MULES AND FORAGE BURNED. Old Locust Shade Trees Removed to Make Room for Red Kinn—Negro's Elevation Above Sea Level—A Negro Arraigned for Stealing Wood. Newton Enterprise, March 19th. A small son of Rev. Giles fell out of an apple tree last Sunday and received painful but not serious injuries. Mr. Joe Dixon, of Caldwell county, had his barn, forage and three mules burned up last week. He had no insurance. Cause of the fire not known. A corps of the United States Geological Survey were here this week and calculated our elevation. They found us to be 396 feet above mean sea level at Forest City. The elevation at the depot is 1,021 feet. Mr. P. C. Shuford brought us an arctichoke this week which he took from his garden, and is the largest we ever saw. It has 24 points all clustering into one mass and is about as large as a man's two fists. Last week Mr. G. M. Hayes removed the old locust shade trees in front of his house, to make room for red elms, recently planted. These old locusts were well known land marks and their removal has changed the appearance of this corner. We were shown a preparation this week by Mr. J. C. Welch, the principal ingredient of which is common sand, that he claims can be made into cobble stone equal to granite, and that can be used for roofing houses, and for wrapping fence posts, before planting them in the ground, that will make them last a lifetime. Rich Young, a colored citizen of Newton, was arraigned before A. D. Shuford, Esq., last week, charged with stealing and carrying away wood from the woods of Mr. H. A. Forney. It was proven that he carried logs of pine wood from these woods, nearly one half mile, that would take two men to load on a wagon. He was bound over to court and in default of bond was committed to jail. HORSE THIEVES CAPTURED. Marriage at Folkville—Drowned in Croaker's Creek—Two Other Deaths—An Aged Lady Seriously Injured—A Little Girl Strapped in a Patent Accident. Cleveland Star, March 17th. Stouewall Jackson Durham, Esq., son of the late Capt. Plato Durham, will deliver the alumni oration at Trinity College at the commencement this year. Mrs. Creasy Pearson, a very aged lady of Boiling Springs, sustained serious injuries Wednesday by a fall from a moving wagon. Chief Jones received a commission from Governor Russell giving him authority to get John Scales from Yorkville, S. C., jail and deliver him to the sheriff of Rutherford county. Scales is the negro that stole a horse and buggy from Henrietta several months ago and Chief Jones captured him. The little five-year-old daughter of Mr. L. H. Patterson, of Patterson Springs, happened to a very painful accident last Thursday. She fell from the piazza and broke her leg just above the knee. Dr. Ellis was summoned and set the broken limb and she will soon be all right again. The stable of Phillip Wilson, colored, was entered on Friday night and his six-year-old sorrel pony stolen. The stable door was opened by drawing the staple. Phillip lives on Wm. West's place, near Zoar church, and is a good, industrious and honest old darsy. Sheriff Suttle and Chief Jones have captured the thief, Julius Friday, colored, and regained the stolen horse. The negroes rapped three times between Henrietta and Cherryville, and the officers captured him Monday night near Lincoln. He was tried Tuesday before Squire Tiddy and is now in jail awaiting court. The subject is matrimony and Polkville No. 3 is the scene of the "occurrence." His royal highness, the big Polkville magistrate, Ezekiel Zachariah Champion, attired in his royal robes, did, on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, wilfully, knowingly and without malice in his heart, join together in the dissoluble bonds of matrimony Mr. John Powell and Miss Elizabeth Rollins, both of the county and State in which the aforesaid occurrence took place. Done at Polkville No. 3 in the presence of God and such witnesses as chose to attend on the date aforesaid. The happy bride and groom and witnesses did greatly enjoy a big supper at the home of Mr. B. F. Powell. Congratulations are now in order and are hereby extended. Mrs. Daniel Feeler, who died in upper Cleveland, March 8th, was a good woman. She had been confined to her bed for several weeks and had suffered very greatly. The remains were interred at Kestler church graveyard, Rev. J. H. Morton preaching the funeral. The announcement of her death carried sorrow to the hearts of her many friends and acquaintances. Joseph Bitzer, a German, was found dead in Crowder's creek, near the mountain, on the road from King's Mountain to All Healing Springs, last Friday. It is supposed he was drowned Wednesday night when he was under the influence of whiskey. He was a quiet, industrious citizen, his only failing being he occasionally imbibed too freely of intoxicants. Mrs. Margret Putnam, an aged and highly respected lady of Waco, died last Friday and the body was laid to rest Sunday in Carpenter's graveyard. Deceased was about 80 years of age and a loyal member of the Baptist church. During the past year no fewer than 1,700,000 fertilizer bags were sold by the agricultural department, says a Raleigh correspondent. Each of them was for a 200 pound sack. Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Chancs, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chibblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Morpew & White.

"Blight" costs cotton planters more than five million dollars annually. This is an enormous waste, and can be prevented. Practical experiments at Alabama Experiment Station show conclusively that the use of "Kainit" will prevent that dreaded plant disease. All about Potash—the results of its use by actual experiment on the best farms in the United States—is told in a little book which we publish and mail free to any farmer in America who will write for it. GERMAN KALI WORKS, 24 Nassau St., New York. Livery and Feed Stable. GOOD TURNOUTS. CAREFUL DRIVERS. A. B. GILKEY & SON, Marion, N. C. —SUBSCRIBE FOR THE— PASTORAL - VISITOR, A Religious Monthly, Edited and published by REV. W. H. PERRY, OF NEALSVILLE, N. C., Pastor of the McDowell Circuit, with REV. T. J. RODGERS, Pastor of Marion Station, as Contributing Editor. It is designed for all the members of their Pastoral Charges, and for all others who love Religion, Morality, Piety, and Intellectual, Physical, Mental and Spiritual Development. Subscribe, only 25c A YEAR. —Or FREE with— THE - MARION - MESSENGER. Both for \$1.00. TWO FOR ONE. BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WE OFFER. Home and Farm. In combination with our paper, for ONE DOLLAR A YEAR. Being the price of our paper alone. That is for all new subscribers, or old subscribers renewing and paying in advance. Home and Farm. ONE YEAR FREE. HOME AND FARM is a 16 page agricultural journal made by farmers for farmers. Its Home Department, conducted by Aunt Jane, is unequalled. Its Children's Department, conducted by Faith Lattimer, is entertaining and instructive. RENEW now and get this great agricultural and home journal FREE! YOU LOVE A GOOD APPLE? For fine keepers take Morgan's Chestnut, Ellison's Winter, Spitzberg, R. Limbert, and various other fine varieties of early, fall and winter kinds. "Whole Root" strong and for two year trees, \$5 to \$8 per 100; Grape Vines, two year, \$1 per 100; Plums and Gooseberries cheap. Sweet Potatoes and other plants in season. Please write me. I can suit you. C. C. LINDLEY, Old Fort, N. C. A GOOD TAILOR ESTABLISHED. If you will give me your work. Tailoring, Cleaning and Repairing Done to Order. B. W. BOND, Tailor, Craig Building, Marion, N. C. WANTED RELIABLE MAN OR WOMAN, ASSURED IMMEDIATELY INCOME PERSON THE BEST PAY EVER OFFERED FOR SIMILAR SERVICE. The Cosmopolitan Magazine, edited by James B. Walker, wishes to add a quarter of a million to its clientele, already the largest of its kind, by securing the services of any person in the world. IT IS PREPARED TO PAY HANDSOMELY. It wishes the services of one reliable man or woman in every town, village, country district, or manufacturing establishment in every State. All that is required of any one is reliability, earnestness and work. No matter on what other work you are engaged, if you pay you to examine into this offer. Apply, stating position, capability and preference, to THE COSMOPOLITAN MAGAZINE, Irvington-on-the-Hudson, New York.