

# RICHMOND HEADLIGHT.

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## Local News Items

Major J. D. Shaw is at Monroe. Court will convene Monday the 21st. W. J. Falford spent Saturday at Norfolk.

Fred J. Cox, Esq., of Wadesboro, is suggested as Representative for Anson county.

Robt. Biggs went to Wadesboro Saturday.

Mr. Bettie Tuttle left Tuesday for Norfolk.

Clara Gore spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Miss Louie Stanback is visiting Miss Fittie LeGrand.

Mrs. J. D. Estes has returned to her home in Cascade Va.

W. S. Covington, of Lenoir, spent Saturday in the city.

Read Mr. Ansey's ad. His store is creating quite a sensation.

Dr. Will H. Steele was a visitor at Wadesboro last Thursday.

Miss Pauline Walsh has returned to the telephone central office.

The S. A. L. has placed a penny weighing machine at the depot.

John Wright was a visitor at Peachland, Anson county, last Monday.

Watch Y. M. Boggan's ad. and watch his store, especially on Saturdays.

Rev. W. C. Webb, D. W. Watson and son, were in town on Monday.

Want of space has forced us to condense some of our communications.

The Presbyterians at Pee Dee factory will build a church in this village soon.

Rev. Mr. Law will fill his appointment at the Presbyterian church next Sunday.

The Presbyterians of Roberdel have a new bell and are arranging to erect a belfry.

Editor J. R. Webster, with his brother, W. A. Webster, spent Monday in Rockingham.

See also, H. C. Watson's new ad. He too, is offering great inducements to the trade.

M. L. Hinson and sons Judron and George are attending the Charleston Exposition.

I say,—have you paid your poll tax? Unless you pay it before May, you can't vote.

Watch for Blaker Bros. announcement next week. They have good news to tell you.

J. W. Hathcock, of Stanly and Miss Estelle Rose, of Wadesboro, were married on Wednesday.

Farmers are turning up the earth as rapidly as possible, and soon the planting season will be here.

We surrender our editorial columns this week, almost entirely, to correspondents and advertisers.

There was a light fall of snow on Monday night, which in some places nearly covered the ground.

We are glad to know that Sheriff Wright, who has been right unwell for several days, is now "O. K."

Miss Blakely comes to the front this week with flattering announcements of her new spring millinery stock.

The merchant who is too poor to advertise will certainly get poorer. If this isn't true, we'd like to know it.

Fog Leg Williams was a visitor in town on Wednesday evening, coming from Hamlet by private conveyance.

M. L. Hinson, of the firm of Little Bros., made a trip to Charlotte and High Point in the interest of said firm.

The directors of the Great Falls Factory have decided to add a steam plant and additional machinery to their mill.

Mrs. G. M. Hobbs gave her "wasser hat" and Mrs. Jennie McRae, a birthday supper last Friday night. He is just—youn old.

Capt. W. E. Overland and daughter, Miss Jennie, and J. A. Harrington and John Branch, of lower Wolf Pit, spent Monday in town.

Don't fail to read the new ad. of the J. B. Caudle Co. and the announcements of their spring opening of new stylish millinery, etc.

Look Miss Jennie Watson celebrated her birthday last Saturday by giving a "doll party" to her little neighbors. Jennie is just 5 years old.

The J. B. Caudle Company will have their spring opening of pattern hats, millinery, novelties, dress trimmings, etc., beginning Monday night, March 24th, continuing through Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Everybody invited to attend this grand display.

The census of Rockingham in 1874 was 778.

Marshall Dockery spent Sunday and Monday with his family.

B. F. Reynolds informs us there is a case of smallpox at Hamlet.

Rev. Mr. Coppedge is attending the State Sunday School Convention at Raleigh.

Wadesboro and Rockingham are now paying bets for best cotton. Isn't it a great time to sell—or will it go to 10 cents?

The Richmond Drug Co. is now arranging to secure a druggist to succeed Dr. S. Biggs, who will soon move to Hamlet.

Messrs. J. A. White and J. W. McIntyre, of Capel's Mills, were here on Tuesday, and were pleasant callers at our office.

We greatly appreciate all our correspondents, and think we have the best in the land. We cordially welcome Laurel Hill back again.

The county fence below Hamlet has been awarded to K. C. Cameron at \$75. From Hamlet to the Montgomery line to I. W. Webb, at \$125.00.

It gives the Headlight pleasure to see our old friend Rev. N. M. McIver, on our streets again. He has had a siege from the effects of carbuncle and sore feet.

Don't fail to read the ad. of Little Bros., and then don't fail to visit their store. It is "just a daisy." They sell for cash or instalment, but offer great inducements to cash buyers.

Our friend, George Terry, gave us a pleasant call Tuesday, and from him we learned with great regret, that Mrs. J. F. Meacham and Miss Nettie Terry of Roberdel, are extremely ill.

Bachelor's Retreat is a cozy looking place on the outside, but the absence of a fair one within the inner courts, may cause some desertions from the household. We wish you as merry a time as you have a right to expect amid adverse environments.

We regret to see our clever and popular Dr. Biggs leave us, but he will not be too far to see occasionally. We feel pleasure in introducing him to his new home people, as a desirable acquisition to the town of Hamlet, and in every way worthy of their confidence and esteem.

The Greenboro Normal and Industrial College will hold a Teachers' Institute in that institution from April 29th to May 24th. The matriculation fee, the only charge, will be \$5.00. Three dollars a week will cover board and laundry bill. This will be a fine opportunity for our young ladies.

School Concert.

Misses Mebane and Baldwin, of School District No. 5, known locally as the Steeles' Mill school, will give an entertainment in the M. E. church at that place next Saturday night, the 22nd, instant. Everybody invited.

Every Lady Invited.

Especially the ladies from the mills, to attend Mrs. Blakely's grand opening of Patterns, Hats, Millinery, Novelties, also the handsomest line of dress goods, in the city, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 25, 26, 27, from 8, a. m. to 9, p. m. Miss Matthews, an expert trimmer from Baltimore, will be with me this season.

Postoffice Inspector Jere Connolly caused the arrest of Mr. W. A. Webster, postmaster at Mangum, for the technical offence of paying a debt, in part, in postage stamps. Mr. Webster did this innocently, no doubt, and his private character will receive no damage therefrom. He has always been considered one of Rockingham's best citizens.

Go to Mrs. Blakely's

And get your Easter hat and dress, and you will be in style. She has just returned from New York and is now ready to show you the newest styles in Milliner's Dress Goods, appliques, ties, etc. All the new styles in Chaitus wash chiffon, wash silks, albertos, melton superb, etc. Silk and lawn waists ready made. Also ready made skirts and underwear.

## General News.

Sunday, the 30th, will be Easter.

It is a poor plan to pray for your pastor and pinch him in his pay.

The Wadesboro Telephone Co., expects to run another line to Lileville.

Fairness to an opponent is always commendable—the opposite, contemptible.

It is better to be a good man in a bad place, than to be a bad man in a good place.

The net earnings of the American Tobacco Company, for last year, was \$8,047,114.

The Lancaster and Chester, R. R. has been changed from a narrow gauge to a full gauge road.

The Forty-second Annual State Fair of North Carolina, will be held at Raleigh, Oct. 27th to 31st.

The effort to secure double daily passenger service on the C. C. R. R., is being pushed, with a hope of success.

The announcement of one's candidacy for an office, seems to make him a target at which unscrupulous marksmen direct their fire.

The sale of cotton seed and cotton seed products, this year amounted to about forty-one million dollars. Say cotton isn't King!

Thomas Liles, a sportsman, who lives near Pee Dee, says the Wadesboro Courier, shot into a covey of quail and bagged the entire covey, twelve in all.

The firm of McNair and Wooten of Maxton, filed a petition in bankruptcy last week. Assets amount to \$51,081.85, while the liabilities amount to \$31,448.88.

Some farmers think the cold winter has killed—out the chinch bug. This may be true, but we'll bet a first-class javember the potato bug will be on time, as usual.

Miss Nettie LeGrand, of Steele's Township, who now holds a position as stenographer in Greenville, S. C., has returned, after a short, pleasant visit to the home loved ones.

The Anson "bird law" went into effect last Saturday. Friend Hall, of Steele's Mill, says it is practically dead in Rockingham, because "it is dangerous to shoot, for fear of hitting a candidate."

The Asheboro says, "It is rumored that T. B. Baily, of Mocksville, D. M. Reese, of Yadkin, and possibly, Col. W. P. Wood, of Randolph, may enter the Congressional race." Why there would then, be only ten, in all, and all democrats,—but only one of the ten can be nominated.

The Essayist At St. Paul's.

Let the young ladies who read essays at St. Paul's church last Friday, should think me rather tardy in reporting the name of the winner. I beg to explain the matter by saying that, no report has yet been received from the committee, Messrs. Hill, Maxwell and Austin.

J. H. Walsh, C. S. S.

Since writing the above, Mr. Maxwell has sent his report as follows:

Mr. Walsh, Dear Sir:

The decision of the committee was two in favor of the essay on "Influence" and one in favor of "Life is what you make it." Prof. Hill's vote didn't come in till yesterday evening, and after the decision was made I learned from Mr. Whislock that the one who wrote the one on "Influence" was Miss Mask.

Yours truly,  
A. J. Maxwell.

## The County News.

having winter again.

Last Monday was a day of pleasure, for some of our sporting girls and boys.

Thomas Meacham, of Concord, spent a few days with his parents, last week.

Rev. W. R. Coppedge filled his usual appointment here last Sunday evening.

Last Sunday evening was pleasantly spent at the home of Mr. Robert McDonald, quite a number of young people were present and their singing was rendered beautifully.

Miss Stella Parson left last Saturday night for Concord.

Miss Minnie Mckuskill is on the sick list, also Mrs. Bowels.

Quite a number of young people enjoyed a musical entertainment, given at Mrs. Little's last Saturday night.

Sunshine.

**Roberdel.**

W. J. Ormsby, of Wilmington, is visiting his mother here.

Mrs. J. F. Meacham continues quite unwell.

D. F. O'Brien, (X-Ray) of Cordova, was in town, Sunday.

Doctors Prince, Garrett, Steele and Ledbetter performed an operation on Ben Garris, Tuesday, for appendicitis. This was the second operation for that cause.

John R. Ormsby made a business trip to Elon College, this week.

Miss Nettie Terry, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is, we are sorry to say, no better.

B. F. Reynolds, principal of the school at Hamlet, was a visitor here, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Garrett, of Red Springs, are visiting his brother, Dr. Garrett, this week.

The boys here have organized a baseball club, and say they will challenge anything around, pretty soon.

Among the several candidates mentioned for our representative to the next legislature, we notice there is one, who if elected, will serve the best interest of the people. One that is fearless and bold an orator and a man of ability; one whose vote could not be bought by corporations or trusts, and if he made a promise to the people, we believe he would stick to it. The gentleman we refer to is A. S. Dockery. Your correspondent and the correspondent to the Anglo-Saxon have made a canvas and find at least 90 per cent., at Roberdel for Dockery.

We need better mail facilities than we have now. We are not complaining of our postmaster or the man that carries the mail, but we ought to get our mail here sooner than we do. Why if anyone at Hamlet were to write a letter here, it would take it three days to reach this place—that is, if it came by way of Rockingham. Why can't the postmaster at Rockingham put the mornings mail in the sack before the mail man leaves. It looks like he would have plenty of time, for he don't get here until about nine o'clock. As it is our mail comes to Rockingham Tuesday night and we don't get it until Thursday, and if it comes there on Friday night, we don't receive it here until Monday. We must have better mail services.

S. D. & J. F.

**Black Jack**

Mrs. Dblaney Bennett spent Sunday night at John C. Covington's.

Miss Effie Harrington was visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Henry,

## Ledbetters

Rev. S. E. Mercer filled his appointment at this place Sunday morning and preached a very impressive sermon. The congregation was rather small, owing to the very rainy morning.

Mr and Mrs H. M. Marks returned home from Silver Run, Sunday evening. They dodged the copious shower of rain.

Mr and Mrs J. B. Clark, of Jackson Springs, are with J. A. McNair, of this place, who has been very sick for some time, but is a little better now, we learn.

Miss Sarah Chappell was visiting her sister Mrs Irenia Covington, of Silver Run, Sunday. If she kept dry, she was lucky.

The farmers of this section, were busily engaged sowing oats last week, and one man, we hear, planted some corn.

Mrs W. A. Gibson is visiting her father, John O. McDonald, who lives about two miles from here.

Gardening assumed a lively interest in our village last week in the way of seed sowing and potato planting, but is brought to a suspension by the recent heavy rains.

We are glad to state that the little daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Sullivan has about recovered from her recent illness.

The mumps, so we learn, have crossed the street and gone over to J. P. Gibson's and will make his head quite sore for a season.

It is very surprising that some young men have to become intoxicated with bread in order to make an exhibition of their good behavior and most excellent beauty. We witnessed the spectacle Sunday, to our regret. Two jack-leg mudsplitters came driving around and twisting about. They thought to attract attention—they did. Now we like to see visitors come and have good company with us, but we emphatically denounce such behavior on Sunday or any other day, and further say that the room of such characters is preferable to their company. Even the young ladies refrain from recognizing a young man with one arm run through a jug handle. Self-respect and respect for others ought to be sufficient for a sane man.

Subscriber.

**Great Falls**

As I have never seen anything in your valuable paper from Great Falls, I will try and pick up a few items for you this week.

Miss Mary McLean, of Pee Dee, has moved to this place.

Miss Nancy Milton was right sick Saturday. Hope she will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gay went to Roberdel last Sunday.

Back Stogner, of Roberdel, was over here last Thursday.

Mrs. Florence Edwards is suffering from a severe cold this week.

Old Great Falls is on the boom again. We have good clever bosses and a real nice superintendent, and we all seem to be getting along nicely.

Henry Gay, of Roberdel, spent Saturday night with his brother, Jim Gay, F. M. E.

**Pee Dee.**

After a few beautiful spring mornings, it seems like we are

## of Rockingham, Sunday.

Miss Ida Eolt was visiting Miss Susie Covington one night last week.

H. C. Dockery, wife and little children were visiting B. F. Dockery's, Friday evening.

Mrs. M. J. McPhail received a telegram last Tuesday, announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. Ann E. Holder, of Harnett county. Deceased was a native of Richmond county and was the youngest daughter of the late Wilson Heward. She was about 55 years old and leaves a husband and six children. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church and in her last moments assured her loved ones that she was going to a better world and told them not to grieve for her, for she would be better off. Mrs. McPhail and son in law, D. C. Millikin attended the burying Wednesday. Our sympathy is with the bereaved ones. C.

**Laurel Hill.**

March: and we're marching.

Mumps and measles: Who's got 'em.

Easter and eggs seem to be plentiful.

J. A. Patterson has returned from his trip to Florida.

Prof. Albright's school closed on last Wednesday.

Miss Nettie Stubbs, of Morven, is visiting friends in this section.

Miss Mattie Gibson gave a "guess what" party on last Thursday night—a nice time reported.

Scotland comes to the front again with the first picnic of the season, given at the close of "Miss Mattie Covington's school." There was music, a nice dinner and a gay time for all.

The chairman of our "Loafer's Club" will at once call an indignation meeting. It's a perfect shame that Prince Henry didn't visit this place. We are now not going to name a single old mule him.

The guano problem has caused quite a number of our farmers to put up their L.L.P.P.'s and say that they are not going to use a pound of ammoniated commercial fertilizers, but then people are people.

Communion services at Laurel Hill church on next Sunday, preaching beginning on Friday morning before. The pastor, Rev. A. N. Ferguson, will be assisted Rev. C. V. Vardell, of Red Springs, N. C.

The good roads question is being to some extent, agitated in this county. Public sentiment seems to be in favor of putting the the county prisoners on the roads. We will doubtless have wireless telegraphy before we have good roads under the present system.

L. A. Hall for Commissioner.

Editor Headlight:

I am not a political man at all, but as political suggestions are in order, I want to suggest the name of L. A. Hall for County Commissioner. He is a good man and his nomination to this office by the primary, would please a great many people over the county, and nearly everybody here. Again, I want to endorse the suggestion of J. H. Walsh for Clerk of Court. Everybody knows him and it is generally believed that he will get the nomination. Of course I suppose some persons may prefer other names. If so, they have a right to their choice. I only speak for myself and those who think with me. No better man, in our opinion, will be suggested by anybody. Jay F.