



THE "GREAT HEADLIGHT" goes to more homes in Richmond County, and is read by more people than any other paper, of any kind published in the County, or elsewhere

LOCAL COLUMN.

Best Items Gathered From Many Places For Busy People.

Miss Beulah Diggs and brother spent Monday in town.

Mr. O. T. Goodwin, of Hamlet, is foreman of the grand jury.

We wonder what Fayetteville did, "when she met at Bensalem."

Reberdel Methodist meeting, we are requested to say, begins on the 14th instant.

Mrs. H. D. Baldwin and children returned last week from Blowing Rock.

What about the sweet potato crop? We don't see many coming to market.

Judge Peebles is strict, but every whit, a judge. Would we had more of the same kind.

Not much court news. More about it next week. Our paper is full and running over, now.

We greatly appreciate quite a number of new subscriptions this week—all cash. Thanks, friends.

Little Miss Marie Hobbs had a birthday party last Friday, to which she invited her little friends of her age.

Miss Fletcher, who has been a visitor at Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gibson's, has returned to her home, at Gibson.

The free rural delivery route through Wolf Pit township will be opened October 1st. No carrier appointed yet.

Mr. Leaks S. Covington, cashier of the Farmers' Bank, leaves tonight for New York, to attend the Bankers' Convention.

Mr. J. E. Maner, of Louise mill, Charlotte, is at Roberdel No. 2 nursing a sick friend. Will be glad to see his friends.

Mr. M. L. Hinson's gin was the first to gin a bale of cotton this season, so far as we know. It was running last Saturday.

Rev. T. S. Wright baptized several candidates for church membership, at the Steele's Mill pond, near "the Rocks," last Sunday.

Mr. Johnson, of Virginia, is the new printer at the Anglo-Saxon office. Hope he will find his position pleasant and remunerative.

Rev. Mr. Kilgore is conducting a meeting at Roberdel this week. Thus far, his meetings have proved to be profitable to the church.

A large number of our people availed themselves of the advantage of the Seaboard excursion, and took in labor day, at Charlotte, last Monday.

So many of our friends from the country have called on us this week, we have not space to give names, but we appreciate their visits, just the same.

Mr. D. S. Pool is now the owner and editor of the Anglo-Saxon—so says that paper. The Anglo-Saxon Publishing Company is no more—"it has been dissolved."

Mr. J. A. Marks, of Beaver Dam, has moved his family to Rockingham, to educate his children. Rockingham extends a cordial welcome to Mr. Marks and family.

Our sympathy goes out to Mr. Kenner Covington, who is quite ill. He has had during the last year, several severe attacks. We sincerely hope he will soon be restored to health.

Gen. R. B. Glenn expects to visit Richmond in October. He wants to make several speeches to the county, to get acquainted with the farmers. Hurrah, for our Bob Glenn, next Governor.

Messrs. Palmer Bros. are building a bakery on Franklin street.

The exercises of the Graded School will be resumed next Monday.

Mrs. A. M. Lentz, of Norwood, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Y. M. Boggan.

Mrs. Jennie Currie, of Jackson Springs, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Stubbs.

Prof. W. L. Criddlebaugh, of Roberdel, was a pleasant visitor last Saturday.

Misses Virginia Cole and Bessie Watson have returned from a visit to Bennettsville.

Judge Peebles failed to be on hand last Monday and no session of court was held.

Now is the time to advertise. Cotton is short, and the fellow who gets the trade will have to.

Mr. W. A. Lucas, of Montclair, S. C., spent several days of this week with the editor's family.

Glad to welcome our excellent Scotland correspondent this week. His letters are greatly appreciated.

The teachers-elected for the Pee Dee School are Mrs. Thomas, W. W. Baldwin, and Miss Sue Thomas.

We were highly pleased to have a call on Tuesday from our fair, appreciated correspondent, "Sunshine."

Miss Annie Boggan, who has been in Montgomery for the last two weeks, visiting relatives, returned home last Sunday.

If any paper ought to appreciate its correspondents, the Headlight should,—and it surely does. They are so good, and so regular.

Misses Della and Vinnie DeBerry, and Miss Allen, of Wadesboro, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Y. M. Boggan.

Mr. A. C. Covington, of Roberdel, has three tracts of land in upper Richmond, which he will sell at a bargain—good property.

Mr. E. W. Clark, of Chadwick mill, Charlotte, and Mr. W. A. Clark, of Hamlet vicinity, were pleasant callers on Wednesday.

Miss Ella Fields and Mr. Archie Hammond were married at Steeles Mill village last Sunday. Rev. T. S. Wright was the officiating minister.

Bad Baldwin passed through town last Monday taking the children of Mr. D. A. Parsons to the Piedmont School, near Charlotte, of which Rev. J. A. Baldwin is president.

Read Sheriff Wright's "Tax Notice." He talks like he means business, and as he no longer has the power to indulge you as he has done heretofore, it will be well to get prepared to pay him your taxes.

Rev. Evan Cameron is conducting services at the Baptist church this week, preaching in the forenoon and night. Mr. Cameron is an excellent preacher, and we hope that he and Bro. Britt will be instrumental in accomplishing much good.

Don't fail to read new ads. of McAnlay, Yorke & Rogers, J. B. Caudle Company, A. Aronson and the Richmond Mercantile Company. See all these people, also New York Racket. Representatives of several of these houses are just back from the North, and all are receiving new goods,—and keen to sell. Now's your opportunity.

We are greatly pleased to learn from Dr. Steele that little Charlie Hobbs, who was operated upon last Tuesday for appendicitis, is doing fairly well, and though still in a critical state, his prospect for recovery is hopeful. We sincerely hope so.

Dr. J. T. Hiatt requests the Headlight to say that, he is improving rapidly, and expects to return home next week fully prepared to resume practice.

We said last week that our young friend, Jasper Smith, of Brunswick, Ga., was a son of our esteemed friend Albert Smith. We thought so, but learn that he is a nephew of Mrs. Albert Smith. Well, it don't matter much, since they are all good, clever folks.

We are anxious to ascertain the number of persons, white and colored, who are liable to road service, and if the supervisors of the different townships will inform us, by townships, we will greatly appreciate the favor. We have an object in view, which will be explained later.

We understand that the people along the line, between Beaver Dam and Mineral Springs townships, are wonderfully stirred-up over the consolidation of their schools, and the location of the new school house. Some are greatly dissatisfied. Take it easy friends, everybody can't have the school house at their door. The board has promised to build a gang-way across the swamp, and that will be a nice crossing-place when the school house is moved again.

Republican Senatorial Convention.

The Republican Senatorial convention of the 22nd district has been called by Chairman E. W. Manship, to meet at Hamlet, Sept. 22nd, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Polk Miller, of Hamlet, is in a short time, probably the first week in October, our people will have the pleasure of seeing and hearing the renowned and inimitable Polk Miller, and his celebrated negro quartette. Due notice of the date of their coming will be published.

List to the Wedding Bells.

The Headlight has had the honor to receive the following invitation:

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hicks request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Mamie

to Mr. William W. Thrower, Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 21st, Nineteen hundred and four, at half past three o'clock, at their home, Rockingham, N. C.

These are two of our nicest young people and we feel greatly interested in their union. In advance, we extend most cordial congratulations.

Complimentary to Prof. Key. Rock Rest, N. C., Sept. 5, 1904. Mr. Editor:

Please allow me space in your columns to express our many thanks to Prof. Key for the faithful work he did in this community during the past two weeks, in his singing school. He has made an impression upon the people here that will never be forgotten. Every student seemed to love him, and he spared no efforts in trying to learn the young people of this community something about music. At the closing exercises last Thursday night a display of music was given by the class, and a few recitations and declamations also. Thanking him again for past services, we hope to have him with us again next summer.

A Student.

LOST.—In Rockingham last Monday an Umbrella, marked with initials, "D. A. F." and has spring catch for opening. Finder please communicate with Headlight office.

THE COUNTRY

Interesting Dots From Our Faithful Correspondents.

Cordova.

Miss Wilmer Gaddy is on the sick list. Hope she will soon get well.

Mrs. Lelia Burns and daughter, May, are off to Newberry, S. C., this week.

Mrs. D. W. Davis and children, of Rock Hill, S. C., are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. B. L. Webb and wife, of upper Richmond, were welcome visitors in our city last week.

Mr. J. K. Edwards has severed his connection with this mill, and Mr. George Gurley now has charge of both carding and spinning. We wish him great success.

Many hearts were made sad last Sunday morning when it was gently whispered that Mr. J. T. Best was dead. It was a great shock to the most of us, as we had no thought that he was so sick. Mr. Best has been living here for several years and we found him to be a quiet, yeaceable man, who always attended to his own affairs. The deceased was 50 years old and leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss. The family have our heartfelt sympathy in the loss of husband and father. Peace to his ashes.

The protracted meeting that has been in progress here for a week, was closed Sunday. Bro. Wright was assisted by Bro. Cameron, and they both preached the gospel of our Lord and Saviour in its purest simplicity, and there were more than 50 souls who said, that I will from this day on try to live ever near thy precious, bleeding side. I would like to say something in regard to the Sunday School in connection with this, but space will not permit this time.

The double constructed, "double back-action, non-explosive, extravagant "povertie partie" will be pulled off Saturday night, the 17th of September. The committee say there will be a plenty for all. They will sell you a box and throw in the girl—two of them if you want them. So now all you dudes and dudesses come on and have a good time.

P. S. They have added the "Bazzard Lope" to the program.

Ledbetters.

Miss Eleanor Saunders visited Misses Mary and Abbie McDonald Sunday.

H. M. Marks recently killed twenty-three squirrels, and only missed three shots. How is that for a gunner?

Misses Cora and Callie Meaks, of Mount Olive, and Miss Annie Downer, of Anson, visited Mrs. W. H. Marks last Friday.

From some cause or other, a certain grey horse is getting very familiar in the village,—but not any more so than his driver.

Misses Laura and Ella McInnis and Master Alex, of Sanford, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Margaret McDonald.

Miss Eugenia Saunders returned home last Wednesday, after taking a three week's pleasure trip among relatives and friends.

Lewis Webb, of Scotland, who has been searching for cotton pickers in this vicinity, returned home this morning with a wagon loads of hands.

Sometimes we imagine that we can almost hear a faint tap of the wedding bells. We did hear a young man tell the register that he wanted his papers before the primary—perhaps he meant the general election.

There was a little runaway occurred in the village Sunday, which resulted in standing a man out of his vehicle on his head. He was not seriously hurt, only got a few scratches and got his "mandruff up," that's all.

Subscriber.

Scotland County Department.

Cotton picking is in full swing.

What will be the ruling price of cotton this fall?, is the topic uppermost with the "Nail Keg Society."

Misses Sellie and Pearl Holland visited friends in the Laurel Hill section last week.

Miss Minnie Louise Hinson, of Clarkton, N. C., has been visiting friends in the Sneed's Grove section the past week. She extends her visit to friends in Anson this week.

Prof. John M. Wright went down to New Hanover county, Friday, to take charge of his flourishing school there. He is a very successful and popular teacher, and the good people of New Hanover have found it out.

Some of our farmers believe that insuring their crops against hail, was the direct cause of the destruction thereof,—the arguments a long that have are humorous, very. We hear that one woman has served notice on her man that if he does not move out of the hail belt, she will sue for divorce.

The interest in the war news is just as keen with the people as ever. The Russians seem to have mastered the art of retreating.

We want some spell-binders in this section. It looks like the Democrats would need them here fully as bad as the Republicans do in Vermont. Some of our local politicians are just dying for at least a writing acquaintance with one Thomas Taggart.

Good Roads. They come high in Scotland. Our people are just beginning to find out something about road building. With good tools, 6 or 8 good, big mules and sufficient men to operate, we have possibly, a little over three miles of good road to show for six month's work. At that rate, it will be in about the year 1920 before we can have much fun with the "automobile pest," and fine chaffeurs for fast driving.

We hear that the new seats for the splendid new church at Spring Hill have arrived, and will be placed in position at once. These good people will have everything in fine shape for the Association, which meets with that church in October.

Rev. S. E. Mercer in deep water: Rev. S. E. Mercer came very near meeting with a fatal accident while crossing Lumber river, at the new bridge. The water was unusually high, and he not being acquainted with the stream, drove in too far. Fortunately, by the timely arrival of a colored man, he succeeded in getting out alive, but wet.

Queen City Hotel, Charlotte, N. C. Traveling men looking for a good hotel at moderate prices would do well to give us a trial. The Queen City Hotel is up-to-date; all outside rooms with modern conveniences.

SEABOARD WRECK.

At a Creek Near the Catawba River.

TRESTLE FALLS IN And Engine and Train Go Down.

The Atlanta train that past Rockingham at 10:45 last night, fell into a creek near the Catawba river. The wreck was caused by the trestle falling down. There was a general smash-up resulting in the killing of a number of persons, variously estimated, say from 7 to 15.

Reports are meagre, and none direct and thoroughly reliable, but there is no question as to the wreck, and that a number of people were killed outright, and some wounded.

It is reported that the passenger train was followed by a light engine, carrying no cars, which plunged in behind the passenger.

We await further information. None of our dailies contained an account of the disaster.

The Lash Applied in the Wrong Place.—Backbone.

A short time since, in a leading church, a popular evangelist preached a sermon in which he denounced the saloon keeper in vigorous terms. Next day in the city's most influential daily paper appeared the following open letter to the evangelist:

"I attended your meeting last night and I think you were, to say the least, unfair in your denunciation of the saloon keepers. I differ with you as to their having no conscience. I was a saloon keeper. I kept a respectable place. Besides that I rented my place from a deacon in a Baptist church. My bondsmen were, one a Methodist and the other a Presbyterian. On election day Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Catholics, Universalists, infidels, atheists, saloon keepers, high way robbers all voted a license to grant me the privilege to damn souls you are trying to save. And let me prophecy now that many who arose last night to be counted a member of some church will this fall cast their votes for license to self liquid damnation. It is a strange fact that the evangelists are whipping the saloon keepers with a lash that ought to be used upon the professed Christians who use their prayers to mock God and their votes to build up the kingdom of the devil. You quoted Scripture last night to prove that the saloon keeper inherits the abode of the damned, but no reference was made to the final summing up of the hypocrite. A saloon keeper is not a hypocrite; a Christian man of brains who votes for a license is, and if I understand the Bible right, God hates any hypocrite worse than the devil does a saint.—An Ex-Saloon Keeper.