

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

If you want all the local news of Elkin, and the counties of Surry, Wilkes, Alleghany and Yadkin, read the JOURNAL.

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Town and country news. Your own and your neighbors' doings briefly and tersely told in a readable manner.

J. S. Bell spent Friday in Winston.

F. W. Day, of Booneville, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Fels, of Ronda, spent Sunday at J. L. Madison's.

D. W. Bailey returned Saturday from a business trip to Elk Creek, Va.

Esq. J. C. White, of Marsh township, gave us a pleasant call Friday.

Miss Elma Eidson is visiting Mrs. S. H. Bobbitt at Moravian Falls.

There are only two public school buildings owned by the county in this township.

Mrs. J. O. Chatham is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Hubbard, at Wilkesboro.

"Smoke Mrs. Jack Frost" cigar best in town. For sale by D. J. Cokerham & Son.

The Wells house on Gwyn Avenue was sold last week to a Mr. Pool from Yadkin.

Tom Shaver and family have moved into the Jasper Shaver house on Elk Spur avenue.

Our old silver friend J. W. Vickers has been elected chief of police of North Wilkesboro.

The Elkin Academy Literary Society has suspended operations until after the holidays.

D. M. Reese, wife and two children, of Yadkinville, spent Sunday here at Dr. R. W. Reese's.

County Commissioner J. J. Wallace, of Rusk, was in town Monday and gave us a pleasant call.

Send along your name and cash and become a reader of the JOURNAL. Postage stamps taken.

Jim Gray, a gentleman of color, cut his great toe off with an axe Monday while chopping wood.

Tickets for reserved seats for the Bant Concert are on sale by Will Bell at Hubbard & Loth's store.

Mathis and Crater have moved their stock of goods into the store room vacated by Sheek & Shugart.

The Christmas time approaches, the small boy can be treated by the popping of the Chinese firecrackers.

N. M. Greenwood will go to North Wilkesboro this week, where he will open up a photograph gallery.

Elkin is getting to be quite a partridge market. Large numbers of these birds are sold here every week.

Rev. F. L. Townsend and bride arrived last Thursday, and are safely domiciled in the new parsonage.

The Baptist Sunday School has decided to have a Christmas tree on the 22nd of the month.

D. J. Cokerham & Son have plenty of toys for the Christmas trade. Call and see them before you purchase.

Charlie Gwyn, colored, died at home near Lenoirville last Friday morning. He had been sick several months.

The Seaboard Air Line system has leased the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway for an indefinite period.

We are to have another year. Our merchants have a bountiful supply of Blum's Almanacs for 1898 on sale.

Mrs. George Darnall is wearing a pair of shoes that have been in daily service for six years and are pretty good shoes yet.

Elkin is getting to be among other things quite a lumber market. From ten to twenty wagons are here every day loaded with lumber.

Ex-Congressman W. H. Bower, of Caldwell, was seriously ill last week, was reported dead but we are glad to learn he is improving.

Nearly everybody in this section seems to be afflicted with colds. We have been having regular, old "grip" weather for the past week.

H. B. Hardy, of the Raleigh News and Observer was here Saturday.

Nicest line of dolls in town, kid body, bisque head, moving eyes. From 10 cents up to \$3.50 at A. E. King & Co.

The freight train was over eight hours late last Wednesday night. The steam chest to the engine blew out at Donnalda and delayed the train.

More than one person was in town last week purchasing articles with a view of helping out Cupid during the holidays. Let the good work go on.

Deans & Miner will build a beehive and chicken coop factory at Ronda so we are informed. They have built up an extensive trade in these goods.

Rev. C. W. Robinson came down from Wilkesboro Friday, and occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian church Friday night, Sunday morning and night.

Lawrence McCrary, one of Winston's leading merchants, fell off a hay train one day last week and was badly hurt. The hay passed over his body.

Owing to the already large amount of work on hand, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw has been compelled to decline the call to the Baptist church at Ronda.

Just arrived and on exhibit today, a beautiful line of albums. Call and see them and buy one for your best girl. From 75 cents to \$2.50 at A. E. King & Co.

There is an epidemic of measles raging in Yadkin and Iredell. A son of James Brown, of near Longtown, suffered a relapse of measles and died Saturday.

The pupils of the Elkin Academy will give a concert on Thursday night, 23rd. The people may rest assured that they will be given a treat on that occasion.

The JOURNAL has been awarded the contract of printing the receipts and disbursements of Surry county by the commissioners this year. It will appear next week.

A merchant in town has six turkeys that laid nine eggs in one day last week. This is the wrong time of the year for turkeys to be laying but the above is an actual fact.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Chatham and little son, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chatham have gone to Ripley Miss., to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Thurmond.

The regular semi-annual election of officers for Piedmont Lodge, No. 96, K. of P., takes place in their hall to-night. Every member is earnestly requested to be present.

J. W. Gilliam and Haynes & Company have had neat signs painted on their windows. The work was done by C. H. Gwyn, who is quite an artist in that line.

We learn that a gentleman from Burlington is speaking of coming here to put up a carriage and buggy factory. We hope he will come. We gladly welcome all such industries.

Hon. R. A. Doughton and wife and R. H. Hackler and wife, of Sparta, boarded the train here Thursday for Baltimore, where Mr. Hackler was carrying his little boy for treatment.

Will Cooper and Miss Julia Ann Myers were married at Zion, Yadkin county, Dec. 7th, Rev. E. N. Cokerham officiating. It was the thirtieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. Cooper's father, Tom Cooper.

Ab L. Brown and Miss Carrie Paris were united in marriage by C. W. Smith Esq., at his residence in Alleghany county Thursday night. They have our best wishes for a long and happy life of wedded bliss.

We have heard a number of favorable comments on the tasty arrangements of our advertisements. They are certainly well displayed and we are sure our advertisers will be repaid amply for their investment.

John A. Day tells us that he has been a member of Island Ford Baptist church since 1855, that he is the oldest member there, and that there is not a name on the church register now that was there when he joined.

The Edwards township school committee have made a new school district just above the shoe factory. The citizens have erected a school house on Robey Cokerham's land, and R. L. Ball began a school there Monday morning.

A. G. Click and R. M. Chatham returned Thursday from Sloop's Point and Pollockville, where they had a big time hunting for two weeks. They brought back as trophies of their skill wild turkeys, ducks, deer, etc.

Can't you decide what to give your best girl for a Christmas present? Send her the JOURNAL one year and then she will bear you in mind every week. 'Tis true you get the paper for fifty cents but it's worth a dollar.

The Hustler says that the contract has been let for the erection of the hotel at the Iron and Lumber Springs on the Brushy Mountains, six miles from North Wilkesboro. The hotel is to be completed by May 15th 1898.

Mr. H. B. Wright, of Sandbury, Tenn., sends in his subscription to the JOURNAL, also that of Miss Sallie Moore of Mississippi. Miss Moore is a former resident of this place and is a first cousin of Senator R. G. Franklin.

The young people of the town are anticipating a gay time during the holidays. A number of young people from a distance have signified their intention of spending Christmas here, and will greatly add to the gaiety of the time.

The new Odd Fellows lodge at this place will be instituted next Monday night, 20th, in the hall over the drug store. Mr. B. H. Woodell, of Greensboro, and other prominent Odd Fellows will be present and organize the lodge.

J. H. T. Calloway, who teaches school at Smith Grove, says he has a pupil, Joe Gentry, son of Rev. Summers Gentry, who after going to school but three days learned the alphabet and began spelling right at once. The boy is only five years old.

T. A. Dean, who has been here for several months superintending the erection of A. M. Smith's residence, having finished his work, left for home in Salem Thursday. Mr. Dean is an excellent workman and made many friends while here.

W. A. Johnson, of Parks, was here Friday with the finest lot of cabbage we have seen brought to this market this season. There were twelve hundred pounds and they averaged ten pounds to the head. They were sold to D. J. Cokerham & Son.

B. F. Rollins and family left last Tuesday for Huntersville, Mecklenburg county, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Rollins is a good citizen and we regret to lose him. He was accompanied by Ransome Hall and family, who will work with him next year.

There are twenty-three "foreign" storekeepers, men from the counties round about Asheville, holding down revenue jobs in Wilkes that rightfully belong to our own men. This is reform and civil service with a vengeance. It comes high but we have got to have it.

S. W. Cokerham & Son, who have been doing a mercantile business at Cochran, Yadkin county, for several years, have closed out their business there and moved to Elkin. They are occupying the Franklin store room on Main street. We give them a cordial welcome.

Frank Tharp tells us of a remarkable hen belonging to Mrs. Robey Williams of Grayson county, Va. She killed one a few days ago and found inside ten hard shell eggs. The next day she killed another and found thirteen eggs. These hens would do to own about Christmas.

J. W. Davis, our bustling photographer, has been quite busy the past two weeks taking views of the principal buildings and points of interest in town, from which plates are to be made to be used in a trade and industrial edition of the Elkin Times, which will appear in the near future.

Mr. J. E. S. Morrison and wife are visiting their sons at Wilkesboro. Mr. Morrison is 83 years old, hale and hearty but is unable to do much manual labor. He spends most of his time reading. He told us he was about finishing up William J. Bryan's book, "The Best Battle," that when he began reading he thought Mr. Bryan was the smartest man in the United States, but he has now changed his opinion and thinks Mr. Bryan the smartest man in the world. Mrs. Morrison, who is 79 years old, also enjoys good health.

Misses Clyde and Jennie Worth, Kate Gwyn and Mrs. E. F. McNear graced our sanctum with their genial presence one evening last week, and were impressed by the mysteries of the art preservative by the editor in chief. We are always pleased to have the ladies visit us and ask them to call again.

Joe Pruitt, of Marsh township, carried his tobacco to Winston last week and sold it for \$31.00. While there he got on a "razzle dazzle" and lost his money and hat to boot. Kind-hearted citizens of Winston made up the cash, bought him a new hat, and sent him on the way rejoicing, a sadder but wiser man.

It is our intention to publish every week a list of our new subscribers received since the last issue. Is your name written there this week? If not, hasten to have it put there. Fifty cents for twelve months, twenty-five cents for six months. Cheaper than air. Subscribe today.

A new Baptist Association to be known as the Stone Mountain Association was formed from the Elkin Association, at New Covenant church, at Dockery, Nov. 19th. Rev. C. Blevens was elected Moderator, and J. S. Kilby clerk and treasurer. The next meeting will be held at Trappah in the fall of 1898.

Esq. J. I. Parks, of Wilkes, was in town Monday and presented us with two old copies of the Mountain Range Outlook, a paper published here in 1886 by Henry Spencer. They are valuable old relics to us and we prize them very highly. We thank Mr. Parks for them. Will some one bring us a copy of the Enterprise, a paper published in Greensboro before the war by a man named Bacon.

Will H. Marler, who has been with the firm of Gilmer, Marler & Co., Winston, for eighteen years, will retire Jan. 1st by mutual consent. The firm will continue to do business under the name Gilmer Brothers. Mr. Marler will engage in business for himself, and it goes without saying that he will do a lively business from the word go. No truer or better salesman never trod shoe leather than Will Marler.

An item of purchase or sale of real estate, of new buildings or business or improvements of any kind, is gladly published by the Journal. Our town is growing right along. Let people know about it. Sometimes we miss getting some things that ought to be published. An item of business news or anything indicating progress, is better than a page of accounts of assaults and bravos. This is meant for both town and country. Give us all the news that helps along. We can't find out unless those interested tell us. We are here to show what the town and country is doing.

J. S. Claywell, of Jonesville, has a cow that when she runs in the pasture at night gives only a quart of milk next morning, but when she shuts her up in the stable at night she will give four or five gallons. Eugene Myers has a hog that runs in the same pasture and is much larger and fatter than Claywell's hogs, yet the latter feeds his twice as much corn as Myers. They could not account for the loss of the milk unless some outside party was doing the milking. So they set a night watch on the pasture. They soon found out what went with the milk and why Myers' hog was so much fatter than Claywell's. The hog did the milking himself. They were put in different pastures after that.

We have it straight that a young lady down in Yadkin wanted to get married, but the old folks objected. She planned with her lover to elope and gave him as a sign that when the brand below the spring run down muddy the next day that she was waiting for him. The next morning she got the buckshot and left the house for the spring to get some water her parents thought. Instead of coming back home she paddled the branch and in a very few minutes was in the company of her lover spending across the country, where they soon were made man and wife by an obliging minister. The ire of the old folks cannot well be imagined when they found out that the bird had flown, but they soon cooled down and now all is calm and serene.

**We know
We are treading
On somebody's toes.**

Otherwise somebody would not sneeze. The purchasing power of cash wisely and liberally spent by us has brought the prices in our store down to a level that some of the other stores are unable to reach. This battle of business means the survival of the fittest and the benefit of the buyer.

**This is best shown
By the following
figures;**

Kerosene Oil, 15¢ per gallon.
Lion and Arbutles Coffee, 8 pounds for \$1.00.
3 cakes nice toilet soap, 5¢.
3 cakes laundry soap, 10¢.
1 2-oz bag smoking tob., 4¢.
Good Rio Coffee, 10 and 12¢.
Largest box blacking on the market, 5¢.
Best pocket knife on the market, 25¢. Can't lose it. Call for it.
Best line Penny Candies in town. Call and see us.

BAILY & CO.

A Love Affair

It began when she first appeared at church rigged out in that lovely hat which she purchased

On Saturday

before from Mrs. C. M. King. Fashionable milliner of Elkin. You can follow the young ladies example by doing like wise. Latest Styles, New Goods, Popular Prices.

Call and see them

**DO YOU
Need a nice Saddle,
Riding or Driving Bridle,
Halter, Saddle Blanket,
Buggy robe, Wagon
or Buggy Harness, or**

Anything in the harness or saddle line. We have a brand new stock in the building next to the post office, and can please you both in quality and price. All kinds of repairing done promptly, and work guaranteed. Call and inspect our stock.

J. W. Gilliam.

The Holiday Spirit

Has taken possession of our store. Everything has on an air of gaiety; but our prices perhaps are the airiest of all. We present a beautiful line of

Christmas Goods

for your inspection, including tin toys, wooden toys, horns, vases, rose bowls, china cups, plates and saucers, handkerchief and glove boxes, manicure and shaving sets, baskets, etc. etc.

Candies, Nuts and Fruits.

Candies of all kinds. Nuts of all kinds. Raisins, figs, dates, prunes, citron, currants, chocolate, etc.

Fireworks.

The boys must have them so we have got them. Firecrackers, roman candles, sky-rockets, cannon crackers, etc. etc. All these goods must go by December 25th.

Prices Low

as the lowest. Cash or good produce taken.

J. S. BELL.

Siloam Academy, (CO-EDUCATIONAL.) SILOAM, N. C.

Splendid Building, Well Equipped!
Instruction, Thorough, Practical, Up-to-Date!

No Connection with Free School of the District.
Tuition from \$1 to \$2.50 per month, Music \$2.50.

BOARD.
Table Board, \$4.00 per month. Board, including furnished room, Washing and Lights, \$6.50 per month. Liberal discount for bill settled at beginning of term.

INSTRUCTORS.
W. M. Curdiss, J. H. Allen, Miss Louisa F. Byrum.

THE Tailoring Department of CHATHAM MANUFACTURING CO.

Want Your Trade.

There is no reason why every man in the land should not have his clothes MADE TO ORDER and to fit him. The Chatham Mfg Co's ingenuity and enterprise in this line has reduced prices so that every energetic man, young or old, can have his suit cut to his own taste

Suits to Order \$15 and upwards.
Pants, \$3.00 and upwards.

Do not buy another hand-me-down. Call and see samples of our goods.

A Fit Guaranteed.

Something to "Chew on"

After a boy had eaten three plates of turkey with plenty of vegetables and dressing, and three saucers of pudding, besides bread and butter and cranberry sauce, his grandma asked him to have a piece of pie. "Grandma," said he solemnly, "I can't swallow any more, but I might chew some."

People who don't feel like "swallowing" many advertising statements, are invited to "chew on" the following plain facts:

That we sell good goods at a very low price, always consider quantity as well as quality and meet all competition.

A. E. KING & COMPANY.
Corner Main and Bridge Streets

CLICK & CO.

Leading Jobbers of General Merchandise, in Western North Carolina.

Watch = this = space.