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LOCAL DOTS

The Board of County Commissioners met vesterday, but the proceedings are crowded

The Amateur Musical Society will meet this evening at the residence of Mrs. S. V Young, at 8 o'clock. When it gets right well through raining

we will write a few rows about the mud ot now, though ; one at a time. The Wildman's will be welcomed back It's worth the price of a ticket to hear Clara

sing, "Down in a coal mine." Panic, war, pestilence or famine, could hardly make people more gloomy than this weather. Oh, Probs., how long? The Catawba was higher last week, we

understand, than it has been in ten years except at the time of the great May freshet The thunder and lightning were terrific for a while last night. We observed it from

under a table, with several newspapers over our head. this weather is entirely too bad for dunning purposes. [Not that we have any fears, have

you to understand. The local historian floated around in one of his boats yesterday to some purpose, and gathered together ever so many locals, many of which are crowded out by over a column of new advertisements.

The Berger Family being great favorites here, it will interest our people to know that they played a successful four nights engagement in Galveston, Texas, last week, as we learn from the News, of that city.

Was a splendid day, and hundreds of willing feet trod the way to the different places "where prayer is wont to be made." The little birds came out and chirped ; the sun looked down on earth with a tender, mellow radiance, and a holy calm seemed to pervade all nature, Thank God for every

Change of Schedule.

A slight change has taken place in the schedule of the Air-Line Railroad, though it does not affect the arrival or departure of trains at Charlotte. The train now leaves Atlanta at 7:30, shortening the time two hours between that point and Charlotte, The schedule has always been a fast one, coming northward and now, trains will fly

The Murder Case.

This morning upon the assembling of Court, Lee Ardrey and Horace Massey, colored, will be put upon trial for their lives. The crime with which they stand charged, is that of murder. They will be defended by Messrs. T H Brem, Jr., F B McDowell and W W Flemming, and prosecuted by Solicitor Montgomery. We understand that a considerable defence will be made.

Heavy Mail.

Yesterday morning 15,000 pounds of mail passed down the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railroad. The mail which should have been transferred at the junction, from the North Carolina train to the Air-Line was brought up to the post office in this city after the Air-Line train had left, and was re-shipped via Augusta for Atlanta, as by this route it will reached its destination considerably sooner than if held over here for twenty-four hours, for the Air-Line train this morning.

W. J. BLACK.

Gen'l Supt. feb19-2w.

Brother Jones, what is the matter? The Observer does not reach your subscribers in our town more than two or three days in the week, and very often is two days old. Stir week, and very often is two days old. Stir up your post master or whoever is in fault. The Observer is a very welcome visitor among our people, but it must have numerous friends along the Carolina Central; and therefore spends a night with them, before calling on us,—Pee Dee Courier.

We can assure our friends of the Courie that the OBSERVER is mailed to them as regularly as it is printed. Why they do not receive it, we cannot imagine. Will not the route agents rise to explain?

The Wildman Troupe

Passed through this city yesterday morning on a special train for Statesyille, where they will play an engagement of three nights, beginning last night. On Thursday morning, they return to Charlotte, and open that evening at the Charlotte Opera House. for three nights. Thursday night, they will present "The Hunchback," and on one of the other nights, "Sole on Shingle."

We shall be real glad to see the Wildman back again. They agreeably surprised us betore, and made many friends in Charlotte, where they will again, undoubtedly, draw good houses.

Railroad Accident.

No mail from beyond Greensboro was re ceived in this city yesterday morning by the North Carolina train, in consequence of an accident on the Richmond & Banville Railroad on Saturday night last. Four miles beyond Reidsville, a broken rail precipitated the ladies' coach and the sleeping car from the track. The rail ran up through the floor of the sleeper and damaged the car city limits and about a mile from the interbadly. One lady was injured seriously, but section of Trade and Tryon streets. beyond this no one, of whom we could hear, was hurt. It is strange that this was the case, as the sleeping car was full, every berth having been taken before the train left Charlotte. The track was not cleared until yesterday.

Mecklenburg in the Supreme Court. We see by the Raleigh News that, on Friday last, the following cases were argued in the Supreme Court :

D G Maxwell vs. H M Caldwell, from Cabarrus. Argued by Rufus Barringer for the plaintiff, and Platt Walker and W J Montgomery for the defendant. C Sossaman vs. E H Hinson et al., from barrus. Argued by Shipp & Bailey for plaintiff, and Rufus Barringer for the

D H Hill ys. Mayor and Commissison

Win. Patterson et al., vs. R M Miller et al. from Mecklenburg. Argued by Wilson & Bon for the plaintiffs, and Rufus Barringer and C Dowd for the defendants.

Two negroes, employed at Heineman's to-bacco factory, had a difficulty last Saturday, when one struck the other in the back of the head with a stick, cutting a gash three or four inches long and very deep. The inured man complained that two or three of his ribs had also been broken. The case was heard before the Mayor, and the assailing party bound over.

The four negroes who were put in jail Saturday afternoon, charged with the burnng of a house on the premises of Mr S A Sollenberger, about 41 miles from the city, were brought into Court yesterday morning It was found that the evidence against them was not sufficient to convict, and they were cordingly discharged. Two of them, however, Washington Neal and Morris Henderson, were re-arrested, on the charge of robbing the house of Mr. Elliott, in Steel Creek Township, some time ago.

some compliment to the pastor of the Sec Presbyterian Church, which his many friends will appreciate: "The people of Charlotte seem to appreciate the high chris tian character of Rev. E. H. Harding, who We would rise just here to remark that has charge of the Second Presbyterian Church in that city. We knew him well as Chaplain of the 45th N. C. Troops, and remember distinctly that the last sermon we heard him preach was in an open field on the Mechanicsville Road north of Richmond, on Sunday morning the 13th of June, 1864. He was much esteemed by the whole command, as a devout, zealous and consistent christian, and we congratulate his congregation on their good fortune in recuring his services."

A Valuable Book.

Mrs S M Weyere, of Richmond, Va., is at Mrs Pressly's boarding house in this city for a few days, canvassing for the "Personal Reminiscences of Gen Robert E Lee." work of great value and interest, by Rev J William Jones, D D, formerly chaplain of he army of Northern Virginia, and of Washington College, Virginia. Anything connected with the life of the great hero and being the production of one who knew him well and associated with him intimately. We commend Mrs Weyere and the work which she represents, to the consideration of our people, and hope that the lady will have abundant success here in procuring subscribers. She is the widow of a Confederate soldier, and is worthy.

We had a brotherly call last evening from Dr. T. C. Robertson, editor of the Rock Hill Edwin M. Kerr, Esq., the Senator from

Sampson, was in the city Sunday and yesarday.

The following great railroad magnates from New York, were registered at the Central Hotel on Sunday: Wm. H. Vander

bilt, Webster Wagner, A. Boody. Hon, Chas, W. Jones, the newly elected United States Senator from Florida, breakfasted at the Central 'yesterday morning, and passed on through en route to Washington. He is the first Democrat elected to the Senate from Florida since the war.

Capt. W H Green, of the North Carolina Railroad, arrived in the city last evening. W. J. Boylin, Esq., late of the Monroe Enquirer, registered last night at the Central. Court Yesterday.

Court was called and organized yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. The following named gentlemen comprise the panel summoned by the Sheriff for this the second week of Court: S B Smith, J Y Weddington, John O Alexander, J M Kirkpatrick, A G Reid, Solomon Cohen, E S Burwell, J C Kirk, John L Rea, Wm C McCord, E S L Barnett, Wm McCombs, Leander Query, J C Weddington, Samuel Whitley, W W Phiter, Alexander Berryhill, J S Sparrow, W H Shaffer, W J Hayes, A L Williamson, Wm Por-

ter, J T Gallant, J C Dowd. Only two criminal cases were disposed of Tom Sloan and Ned Hoover, both colored. were up for assault. This was for whipping Mr Beattie, about two years ago: many will recall the circumstance. Judgment was suspended as to both of them until next Court, upon the payment of costs, and each was put under bond of \$200 for his appearance at the next term of Court.

Sap Horne, white, was up for assault He was convicted but judgment was suspended upon the payment of cost. The civil docket was taken up and several cases were disposed of; a still larger number was continued.

The Fire Last Evening.

A few minutes after 8 o'clock last evening the cry of "fire!" wassounded on the streets. and soon the fire bell rang the alarm. It did not require long to ascertain the location, for in a few moments after the first cry almost the whole city was illuminated. The rain was pouring down in torrents at the time, but more than rain is necessary to keep a crowd from a fire, and in a short time that end of Trade street, leading to the Air Line Depot, was crowded with people. It was ascertained by the time this point was reached, that the burning building was the barn of James Irvin, Esq., outside the The barn had been struck by lightning.

and, being filled with forage, was soon burned to the ground. There were three horse in the stable. When persons reached i having discovered the fire, one of the horses was lying down, and could not be moved It had evidently been struck by the light-ning, and had to be left to be burned up. The other two were gotten out and saved In a shed adjoining the barn, was a carriage which was also destroyed, the heat become ing so intense in a few seconds that it could

not be removed.

The whole loss was the barn and forage (of which there was a large supply) a horse and a carriage Though the dwelling and other buildings were near the barn, they were in no danger from the heat or sparks, being thoroughly saturated with the pain which continued to fall all the time,

The Independent Hook and Ladder Con

any turned out with their truck, but up

ing where the fire was located, but back

Error in the Dictionary. Yesterday morning two compositors in this office, while looking in Webster's Dictionary for a word about which they had had a discussion, found a typographical error. The edition of the Dictionary is th unabridged, published in 1870, by G, and C. Merriam, State Street, Springfield, Mass "Millenium," and occurs in this wise : "s word used to denote the thousand years mentioned in the the twentieth chapter of Revelation," &c. It will be observed that the word the is doubled, and in this the error consists. It is a rare thing to find a mistake in the Bible or the Dictionary.

Littell's Living Age.

Nos. 1602 and 1603 of The Living Age, for the weeks ending Feb. 20th and 27th res pectively, have the following noteworth articles :- The Greville Memoirs, from the Quarterly Review; The Love and Marriage of Catherine de Bourbon, Cornhill; The Em peror of Chins, Spectator; Popes of the Sixeenth Century, Our Own Ftreside; Chinese Obitnary Customs, Celestial Empire hai; An Only Child, Saturday Review, Era mus-his Character, British Quarterly Review Saxon Studies, part V., by Julian Hawthorne, Contemporary Review; The Convent Politician, Macmillan; A Vandal Venice, Pall Mall Gazette; Early Retirements, Spec-

of "The Story of Valentine and his Brother," and "Alice Lorraine,"-the latter by the author of the "Maid of Sker," and both unusually good serials. The usual choice poetry and miscellany complete the numbers.

The Weather. Charlotte is again drenched. The waters rush and roar through the streets where commerce is wont to flow, and commerce hath yielded up the sceptre and retired to her hiding place. The floods poured down with force all day yesterday, and poured down with newly gathered force after the day had spent itself. Last night was as black as Erebus, and as the winds sweep along, dashing the rain in the face of the unfortunate pedestrian, that line of Burns, describing Tam O'Shanter's ride, comes to mind, and

'Sic a night as ne'er poor mortal was abroad

We have not known such a storm in a long while. It will do great damage to property, and land slides in railroads will be numerous; if none of the trains reach the city this morning, we shall not be sur-

With these reflections, we throw both hands behind our head, and as we listen to the "rain on the roof" return silent thanks that the lines have fallen us beside a pleasant fire, and that it is only a few moments before we shall blunder along the dark streets in search of that building in which is located our "little bed," and lay as down to sleep the sleep of innocence.

A Memento of the War, Under this head the New York Herald, of the 25th ult., has the following article. Dr. and Mrs. Chapman are residents of this city, and are well known and highly esteemed throughout the State. We sincerely hope the suit spoken of, will terminate favorable tothem. The Herald says :

"In 1867 Miss Verina S. Moore was teach ing a school in North Carolina. She pur-chased 120 shares of the Phoenix Bank, of this city. Two years later she sold, through an attorney, thirty-six shares of the stock, retaining eighty-four shares in her posses-sion. The war came on and the dividends on the stock accrued, but owing to communication being cut off with the North, she was unable to obtain them. In March, 1864, information was given to the government that the amount of stock named, with the ac-crued dividends, remained in her name on the books of the bank, and under the act of Congress providing for the confiscation of property belonging to rebels, were taken on behalf of the government for its confiscation. The result was that the stock was de-clared forfeited. An effort was made to set aside the decree but without success. In the meanwhile Miss Moore married Mr. Chapman, a clergyman, and as Mrs. Chapman has brought suit against the Phoenix Nation al Bank, of this city, to recover \$1,176, amount of accrued dividends, the understanding being, of course, that if she gets a verdict in her favor it will also carry with it the value of the stock originally owned by her. The case came to trial yesterday before Judge Speir holding Special Term of the Superior Court. The plaintiff claims that the confiscation of the stock was illegal, she alleging that she did not come within the category of those "giving aid and com-fort to the enemy," whose property, under the act referred to, was liable to confisca-tion. The defence is that the bank had no part in the proceedings taken by the govern-ment, and that, in cancelling the certificate, it merely complied with the decree of the United States Court. Judge Speir took the papers, reserving his decision."

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