

The Charlotte Observer
LOCAL INTELLIGENCE
 THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1881.
SOCIETY DIRECTORY.
MASONIC.
 PHALANX LODGE No. 81, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.
 EXETER LODGE No. 201, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.
 CHARLOTTE LODGE No. 84, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.
 CHARLOTTE COMMANDEMENT No. 2, E. K. T.—Regular meeting every first and third Thursdays.
K. O. P. H.
 KNIGHTS OF HONOR—Regular meeting every second and fourth Thursdays.
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 KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Regular meeting nights first and third Wednesdays, 7 o'clock p. m. at Masonic Temple Hall.
I. O. O. F.
 CHARLOTTE LODGE No. 88—Meets every Monday night.
 MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE No. 4—Meets every Tuesday night.
 DEKOR LODGE No. 108—Meets every Friday night.
 CATWANA REVEREND EXEMPLARS No. 21—Meets and sings Thursday nights in each month.
INDICATIONS.
WAR DEPARTMENT.
 CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
 WASHINGTON, March 8, 1881.
 For the South Atlantic States, cloudy weather with rain, easterly winds, stationary or lower temperature and barometer.

A WRECK IN POINT.
 Five Cars and Three Overturned, But Nobody Hurt—Caught at the Wheel.
 Conductor Coley had taken up his checks, waked his passengers on crowded cars which made up the express coming in at 3 o'clock, yesterday morning, at the "Air Line" junction. The passengers gathered their grip sacks and were ready to change cars for Atlanta. But before the air brakes had been applied for the slack up came and a "rail" snapped. For about a minute while the train ran its length, the heavy thuds of the wheels against the tracks, threatened destruction to the terrified passengers. Conductor Coley, already in command by an accident hardly an hour before, as will be seen elsewhere, seized the danger signal cord of the rear of two ladies' cars. A woman standing near the terrified passenger, seized his hand, swung down on the cord and the swung on the conductor until his hand was scalded with the friction. This long pull and strong pull and pull together did some good, however, for the train came to a stand. The second sleeper tilted over against the side of a small cut. The first stood erect, its wheels off the track. The first ladies car in which the conductor and the lady passenger had swung to the danger cord kept its legs, while the others were tilted over against the cut at more or less acute angles.
 "Is anybody hurt in here?" said Capt. Coley, at the door of the second ladies' car.
 "No, but I've lost my hat and cane."
 The anxious conductor ran back to the overturned passenger near the light of his lantern touched the inclined end of the inverted sleeper, which he shook to see a man in his shirt, with only one leg left, slide down the smooth painted side of the Pullman.
 "Great God," thought Coley, "here's a man with his leg torn off."
 The shirt was torn, raised, but a bloodless stump stood revealed. In the haste of the occasion, the accompanying cork had been left in the berth.
 A delicate looking woman in a night wrapper, standing in the night air at the other end of the overturned sleeper, calling for her husband to come on.
 "You had better get into the bright car, madam, you'll catch your death of cold here with that thin wrapper on," the conductor suggested.
 "Never," she said, "I kissed my boy when I left New York and vowed never to leave his papa in danger. Do come on George." It's very cold."
 "Just as soon as I get my collar buttoned," cried George from the inside, and he hung a fur-lined cloak through the window. It fell into the dirty water of the ditch. The wife snatched it up and walked away mad as a horn.
 In all the crowded careful skinned leg and the conductor's ropescalded hand were the only injuries. The escape was marvelous and indeed such an imminent result is decidedly disappointing and shabby when we remember what the roads have been doing for us of late.
 John Lowrey, the boss wrecker of the Western North Carolina, this season to miles up the road, but he came with a rush and had a track built around the wreck in a jiffy, but the first freight that attempted to pass ran off itself and it was nearly sundown last night before the wreck was cleared and the trains passing. Everything is cleared up and the trains were running straight last night.

A NAKED WOMAN
 Runs Through the Streets a Distance of Four Blocks Barely, From Mass' Wets of a raw hide in the Mother's Hands.
 A woman's epileptic screams in a small house on the Statesville railroad in the California section about four blocks from Tryon Street crossing, started the neighborhood yesterday morning about 11 o'clock. As people ran to their doors a naked woman bleeding from her hair to her stockings, the only stitch which covered her body, rushed shrieking from the door of the small house. She ran wildly up the railroad to the crossing. Dashing across this track, still screaming with pain and terror, she ran down an alley near and broke madly into a house a hundred yards from the street. Several persons were passing at the time, some ladies among the number. One or two met her as she came up the railroad and all stepped off as if the locomotive was coming. She was a mulatto woman about eighteen years of age, with all round development and elastic movement, while her terror lent a certain wild grace to her reckless run. In about a half an hour after this spectacle a woman applied to Justice McNinch for a warrant for her mother whom she said had torn her clothing from her and beaten her with a cowhide. She removed enough of her clothing to prove her assertion that not an inch of her body was free from a bloody welt. She was, she said, a day servant at a boarding house on Tryon Street. She went home to her mother every night but failed last night on account of the weather. Her mother had met her on Mint Street on her way home that morning. When they met the mother held a heavy raw hide in her hand and ordered the girl home.
 "I'll teach you," she said, "how to spend another night in Buzzard's Roost with the dirty wretches."
 The girl is thoroughly afraid of her mother and went. The rest has been told. The girl could not endure the pain of the hide upon the naked skin and broke from the house pursued by a crowd of men. She ran a short distance further, with the reeking hide uplifted and keen for flesh. The girl's name is Rena Young, her mother's Lizzie Young. The girl is handsome and light, the mother, ugly black and brutal. The latter was sent to jail for thirty days. When constable Means went to arrest her a crowd had gathered round and the excitement in the vicinity was great.

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INDEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
 P. M. Andrews—Furniture.
 John Van Lindingham—For Sale.
HOME FENCIBLES.
 The merchants have begun to receive their spring goods.
 The New York and North Carolina reduction works will be fired up next week.
 At the mayor's court yesterday morning a machinist named Petty was fined \$2.50 for a mild d. and d.
 There will not be any meeting of the Ground Club before Monday, 15th of this month, when those interested in the rehearsal of the Pirates will meet at Mrs. Dewey's at 8 o'clock promptly.
 Dr. S. B. Nye, the oculist, writes that he will be in Charlotte on professional business by the 12th. He says further that he may be found at the Frankenthal Hotel.
 The ladies will commence decorating Oates's hall to-day for the firemen's festival. Members of the fire companies are requested to devote their leisure moments during the day to assisting the ladies.
 Rev. N. M. Jurney was one of the passengers in the wrecked train near the junction. He got off with a bruised leg, but in the confusion lost a gold-headed cane with his name inscribed upon it, which will be returned to him if sent to THE OBSERVER.
 The Metropolitan Hotel has been closed for the present. Rivebark & Son, of Laurin, the firm that proposes to take charge of it some days ago, retreated at the last moment and the house is left without a landlord. The rooms are being let out monthly occupants.
From Five to Three.
 The changes which have been made in the Old Fellows' society work were ordered by the last sovereign grand lodge, and not by the State Lodge, as stated yesterday morning. Rev. N. M. Jurney, grand master of the State, arrived yesterday, on invitation of the ladies here, to instruct them in the changes entailed by a reduction of the number of degrees from three to five. He is not, as was stated, making a tour of the State.
Cheap Freight Rates.
 It is estimated that about forty car loads of peas have been shipped from Western North Carolina this season to New Orleans, most of these being transferred and coming down the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad. The rate from Statesville to New Orleans being 35 cents per hundred, to be divided between the carrier and the roads. The distance is about 800 miles from Statesville to New Orleans. The Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio Railroad's proportion is about 5 mills or 1/2 cent per hundred pounds, being about \$1 per car load of 20,000 pounds.

Attempt to Capture Redmond, the Outlaw.
 Last week a party of revenue raiders of the sixth district made another attempt to capture Redmond in Western North Carolina. They nearly succeeded in their plans, pushing him so closely as to capture his boots and coat. Only a few days before Redmond was arrested by the civil authorities and tried for carrying concealed weapons, but was acquitted, although at the time of the trial he had two large pistols on his person and a large knife in his boot. There is no assertion on the part of some revenue officials, by whom the latter statement is made, that the civil authorities were aware of the fact that he was so armed at the time, but on the contrary they think they did not know it.

Report of the Board of Education.
 The semi-annual report of the Board of Education of Mecklenburg will be found below, the books and vouchers of the county treasurer as to his receipts and disbursements of the county school fund having been examined yesterday and approved:
 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
 MECKLENBURG CO., March 7, 1881.
 To the Superintendent of Public Instruction:
 The Board of Education of Mecklenburg County, in pursuance of section 13 of the Budget Law, in relation to the books and vouchers of S. E. Belk, county treasurer, and report the following receipts and disbursements of school funds by him for the first half school year, beginning the first day of September, 1880:

RECEIPTS.
 Balance on last report..... \$3,300 86
 Toll tax for 1880..... 6,540 07
 Property school tax for 1880..... 4,971 29
 Fines, forfeitures and penalties..... 137 50
 Liquor licenses..... 454 10
 From other sources, refunded by a teacher..... 25 00
 Total..... \$17,504 85
DISBURSEMENTS.
 Paid for schools for whites..... \$2,180 40
 Schools for colored..... 2,868 03
 School houses and sites, for whites..... 200 83
 School houses and sites, for colored..... 91 50
 Bal. on hand March 7, 1881..... \$12,304 00
 Total..... \$17,504 85
 By Order of the Board of Education of Mecklenburg county, this 7th day of March, 1881. T. L. VAIL, Chairman.
 W. M. MAXWELL, Secretary.

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A Murder Case for To-Day.
 The Superior Court, was engaged all day yesterday which had been set for the big case of the Atlantic, Tennessee & Ohio road vs. the City of Charlotte, involving \$90,000 of city bonds, in the consideration of the case of Crumhury vs. King. It was given to the jury late in the afternoon and a verdict rendered for the plaintiff in a few minutes. The case is of no especial interest to the public. To-day the case against Marshall Baxter for the murder of Bob Hennehan, comes up, after the completion of which the railroad case will probably be again ordered for hearing. Baxter's trial, and the murder was recent and is fresh in the minds of the people.

A Curious Accident—What was It?
 Between Salisbury and China Grove night before last, as the express train elsewhere was being along, conductor Coley was sitting in one of the sleepers with his arm over the seat near the double window, with which the cars are furnished, the glass was smashed suddenly and the conductor was cut to the bone of his right arm just above the wrist. The conductor of the sleeper was in the same seat, but neither he nor Coley saw or could find the missile or a stone. They are inclined to think it was the latter and that it rebounded through the window. No shot was heard. The wound is quite severe and painful. Whatever the missile was it must have passed near the sleeping conductor's head, for he was next to the wall. There has never been any rocking of trains near that point.

County Affairs.
 The county commissioners continued in session yesterday.
 It was ordered that the report of the county finance committee for 1880 be spread upon the minutes of the board. The justices of the county will be notified by advertisement to meet on the first Monday of next April with the commissioners to consider the advisability of building a bridge across McAlpine's creek, where it is crossed by the Monroe road, and also to transact such other business as may be brought before them.
 It was ordered that the property of the Merchants and Farmers' and Traders' National banks be listed for taxation by the clerk of the board for the year 1880, and all previous years in which their real and personal property had not been listed in conformity with sections 21 and 22, chap. 73, of the laws of 1874. J. C. Burroughs, S. P. Alexander and M. J. Farringer were appointed to value for taxation the banking house of the Merchants and Farmers' bank and the Allen Cruse property on Tryon street; also the Graham mills, the property of the Traders' National bank.
 H. M. Wilder was paid \$20.00 for post-mortem examinations over the bodies of Frederick Harper and Mary Montgomery.
 F. A. Young was allowed \$102.15 for half fees in insolvent State cases before the Inferior Court.
 A large number of unimportant accounts were audited and approved.

Arlington's Minstrels.
 One of the features of Billy Arlington's minstrel is the big street parade to-day. Two giants, an ostrich, two ponies, an elephant and an excellent brass band, besides numerous gaily caparisoned pages, &c., constitute this attractive feature of the troupe. The giants, ostriches and elephants are dummies, but, as Frank Hall, the advance agent, says, it's all fun. The troupe has been getting crowded houses everywhere and has met with most remarkable success. The Green-boro Patriot says, "We have noticed particularly the comments of the press where they have performed and we have yet to see an adverse criticism. The hall will doubtless be crowded and from all we can learn it deserves to be." This meets with THE OBSERVER'S endorsement. Six clog-dancers and six song-and-dance men will give an idea of the entertainment.

Just Received!
 ANOTHER LOT OF
COAL STOVES.
 -ALSO-
 A CAR LOAD OF THE
IRON KING COOK
 NOS. 6, 7, 8, 9.
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