

LOCAL MATTERS.

SUNDAY, DEC. 11, 1881.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

MASONIC.

FRANKLIN LODGE No. 81, A. F. & M. S.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.

K. O. P.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Regular meeting nights first and third Wednesdays, 7 o'clock p. m. at Masonic Temple Hall.

I. O. O. F.

MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE No. 2.—Meets every Tuesday night.

DIXIE LODGE No. 108.—Meets every Thursday night.

CATAWBA RIVER ENCAMPMENT No. 21.—Meets first and third Thursday nights in each month.

Index to New Advertisements.

T. M. Rigler—Toys, &c. T. L. Seale & Co.—Second Street.

The Churches To-Day.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Devotional exercises in the afternoon at 6 o'clock.

St. Peter's Catholic Church.

St. Peter's Catholic Church.—Services in the morning at 10 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. L. P. O'Connell, priest.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church.—Services in the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. T. B. Lyman, Sunday school at 4 1/2 o'clock.

First Presbyterian Church.

First Presbyterian Church.—Services in the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. Dr. A. W. Miller, pastor. Sunday school at 4 1/2 o'clock.

Trinity Church.

Trinity Church.—Services in the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. J. T. Bagwell, pastor. Sunday school at 4 1/2 o'clock.

Second Presbyterian Church.

Second Presbyterian Church.—Services in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. W. W. Downey, of Virginia. Sunday school at 4 o'clock.

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Chapel.

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Chapel.—Services in the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. T. Waller, pastor. Sunday school at 10 o'clock.

Calvary Mission Church (Methodist).

Calvary Mission Church (Methodist).—Services in the morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. W. S. Patton, and in the evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. L. Wood, P. M. Sunday school at 9 a. m.; Class meeting at 4 p. m.

Older Presbyterian Church.

Older Presbyterian Church.—Services in the afternoon at 3 o'clock and in the evening at 7 1/2 o'clock by Rev. Mr. White, pastor. Sunday school at 11 o'clock a. m.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Throat Diseases often commence with a cold, cough, or unusual action of the voice. These incipient symptoms are allayed by the use of "Brown's Bronchial Troches," which if neglected often result in a chronic trouble of the throat.

HOW TO GET SICK.

Expose yourself day and night, eat too much food, exercise, work too hard, without rest, do not get all the time, take all the vile nostrums advertised, and then you will want to know

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Which is answered in these words: Take Hop Bitters.

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Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham.

Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, 239 Western Avenue, Lynn, Mass., is rapidly acquiring an enviable reputation for the surprising cures which daily result from the use of her Vegetable Compound in all female diseases. Send her for pamphlets.

A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretion of youth, nervous weakness, early decay of manhood, &c., I offer a recipe that will cure you. FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the REV. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station D, New York City.

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Millions of rats, mice, cats, dog bugs, roaches, lose their lives by collision with "Bough on Rats," Sold by druggists, 15c.

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Singing, smarting, irritation of the urinary passages, diseased discharges, cured by Buchuphalin. Druggists. Depot J. H. McAden, Charlotte.

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This powder never varies. A marvel of purity, strength and wholesomeness. More economical than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low cost, inferior weight, alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., New York.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE NEAR HUNTERSVILLE.

I will sell at the court house in Charlotte, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21st, that valuable Cotton Farm, near Huntersville, N. C., on which Adam Sheehans has resided. This is considered one of the best cotton farms in this country, containing 200 acres, well watered, and within less than one mile of the Charlotte and Salisbury railroads, and within less than three miles of the depot at Huntersville.

HONE CHIPLETS.

Federal Court Monday.

Third Sunday in Advent.

It is the duty of every saint and sinner to go to church to-day.

Charlotte Thompson and company were in Richmond yesterday and day before.

The Mooresville party left on the Statesville train yesterday evening for their homes.

The register at the Central hotel shows that 122 guests were taken care of by Mr. Eccles last Friday.

The streets were remarkably orderly yesterday, considering the large number of people in the city.

The box-sheets for the Comley-Barton performance will be opened at the usual places to-morrow.

Mr. D. M. Rigler has an announcement in this morning's paper which will be found of interest to the reader.

A larger number of strangers were in the city yesterday than on any day of the season, outside of special occasions.

Trade is beginning to feel the influence of the approaching holidays, and the weather is delightful for shopping purposes.

The court house ring experienced somewhat of a pressure in business yesterday, though nothing of public importance was done.

The Christmas holidays are almost here. Advertisers will please note what they have, as an OBSERVER representative will call around to see where Santa Claus has his headquarters.

The case of McDowell county vs. the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, heard at Taylorsville last week, involves \$3,600, taxes levied by the county on that portion of the Western road lying within the county.

It is more than probable that the case against Harrison Dockery, charged with participation in the Thompson murder in Alexander county, has been continued. It will be remembered that this man was brought to Charlotte for safe-keeping, and was taken back to Taylorsville to stand his trial last week for the alleged offense.

A marriage took place in the city last night at a late hour, which is reported to have been a runaway match. Dr. Linwood Gunn, of Yanceyville, N. C., is the gentleman who figured in the affair, and the lady's name was Miss Rutland, of Sumter, S. C. The lateness of the hour at which the marriage took place and the secrecy with which the arrangements were made, preclude such notice as we would like to make. However, best wishes to the happy couple.

To Give an Entertainment.

The Earnest Workers of the First Presbyterian church, are preparing a musical entertainment for the week before Christmas, and trust their friends will greet them with a large audience on the occasion. Time and place will be mentioned as soon as determined upon. In the meantime the little ones are busily preparing to catch Kris Kringle.

To be Re-Opened.

The trustees of Davenport Female College, in Lenoir, N. C., have determined to re-open that school in January next, and have elected Rev. George F. Round, A. M., president of the institution. This popular school was destroyed by fire several years ago, and its many friends and former patrons will be glad to note the fact that it is to be re-opened under most favorable auspices.

Holiday Presents.

At the China house of Messrs. Brookfield & Co., can be found one of the handsomest stocks of goods in their line that has ever been shown in Charlotte, and the firm calls attention to this fact in our advertising columns this morning. The beauty of the display will repay a visit to this house, and those wishing Christmas presents for friends will find a large lot of suitable articles in stock.

Cadets Passing Through.

Some fifteen or twenty cadets from the Bingham school were in the city yesterday en route to their homes for the holidays. The examinations at this school were commenced on the 2nd inst. and completed yesterday. The health of the school is represented as splendid, and the average attendance is reported to be 185 students. The boys will have about a month's vacation in which to enjoy the Christmas festivities.

Death of Miss Fannie Long.

Miss Fannie Long, a lady well known in this city, died yesterday at the residence of Gen. Rufus Barringer, after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was a sister-in-law of Gen. Barringer, and was highly esteemed among her large circle of acquaintances in this city.

The funeral services will take place at the Second Presbyterian church, this morning at 12 o'clock, and will be conducted by Rev. L. McKinnon, of Concord.

Murder in Shelby.

A special telegram to THE OBSERVER from Shelby, N. C., states that Amos Horne, colored, of that place, some time ago inflicted injuries upon his son Burt, a lad about sixteen years of age, from the effects of which the boy died. The corpse was interred Friday, and yesterday was exhumed by order of the coroner, and a post mortem held, when it was found that the stomach, spleen and left lobe of the liver was much swollen and bruised. The injuries were inflicted with a stick, wagon whip and by kicks. The father of the boy has been committed to jail, and will no doubt be indicted for murder. The colored people of the town are much excited in consequence of the occurrence, and have sworn vengeance against the inhuman murderer.

It is a lamentable fact that thousands regard an action of the throat or lungs, such as cough, cold, hoarseness, with extreme indifference. These complaints are often the forerunner of consumption, and can be instantly cured by Dr. Bull's cough syrup. Price 25c.

Personal Mention.

Hon. Kemp P. Battle, president of the State University, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. S. Spencer and daughters, Misses Sallie and Lola, returned yesterday morning from the Atlanta exposition.

Er-Judge Schenck was registered at the Central yesterday.

Mr. W. Mc. Smith, who has been retained in Shelby for some time, has returned to the city with the intention of again making this place his home.

Prof. J. B. Blake and Dr. Lattimer, of Davidson College, were in the city yesterday.

Mr. J. T. Robinson, prescription clerk at Messrs. Wriston & Co.'s drug store, is visiting Baltimore.

Mr. T. M. Pittman has returned from his business trip North.

Mr. C. L. Porter, southeastern passenger agent of the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway, is visiting the city in the interest of his road.

A Big Steal by a Little Negro.

Day before yesterday evening a little negro, who gave his name as William Moore, and who is only nine years old, entered the lot in the rear of Brothers & Henderson's store and selected a mule from a number of animals hitched there, and removed it to the lot in rear of Springs & Burwell's store, where he and the mule camped until yesterday morning. After completing his toilet, the little fellow, early in the morning, commenced casting about for a capitalist, announcing his intention of selling the mule for the sum of three dollars. He was soon picked up by the police, and yesterday afternoon a countryman came forward, identified the mule and took possession of it, while the little negro, who is too small for legal punishment, was placed in the hands of Squire McIninch, who will bind him out as soon as some party is found who will take him. The boy seemed not to realize the gravity of his offence, and stated in justification of the act that his mother had been turned out of her house, and he had no where to go; had no shoes, clothes, nor anything to eat, and it was his intention to supply all these wants with the proceeds realized from the sale of the mule. The owner no doubt is fortunate that the animal fell into the hands of an inexperienced thief, as it was a valuable one, and would sell for a much better price than that placed upon it by the little negro.

Our County Schools.

Rev. Mr. Waller, superintendent of public instruction for Mecklenburg county, has made his report to the State Superintendent for the year ending 30th November, 1881. The report shows that during the school year 69 teachers have been examined and approved, of the following grades and sexes:

First grade—white males 11; white females 6—total 17.

Second grade—white males 7; white females 7; colored males 12, colored females 3—total 29.

Third grade—White females 1, colored males 14, colored females 8—total 23.

There have been 206 public schools taught in the county during the year—95 for whites and 111 for colored people, in which a total of 3,011 pupils were enrolled, divided in color and sex as follows: White males 1,472, white females 1,104; colored males 1,523, colored females 1,488. The average attendance has been 1,694, colored 1,958.

The school terms have averaged eight weeks, and the average compensation has been \$25 per month for white teachers, and \$18 per month for colored teachers.

The number of school districts are reported as 77 for whites and 53 for colored.

The failure of the school committees to report the census of children of school age necessitated the using of last year's school census, which gives the following:

White children—males 2,970, females 2,629—total 5,599.

Colored children—males 2,480, females 2,197—total 4,677—making a grand total of children in the county of school age, 10,276.

Church Notes.

Bishop Lyman, of this diocese, will preach in the Episcopal church this morning at 11 o'clock, and also at 7 p. m. The Apostolic rite of confirmation will be administered at the evening service. The holy communion will be administered at the morning service, and the offertory will be devoted to the work of the church within the diocese of North Carolina.

Rev. W. W. Downey will preach at the Second Presbyterian church this evening.

No services at the Lutheran church to-day.

The hour for the Tryon Street Methodist Sunday school has been changed from 3 1/2 to 3 o'clock. This has been done in order not to interfere with the meetings of the Young Men's Christian Association, which take place at 4 1/2 p. m.

Rev. W. R. Atkinson will fill Dr. Whitfield's pulpit this morning.

Rev. M. L. Wood, presiding elder of this district, will preach at Calvary church this evening at the usual hour for service.

Rev. Mr. Bagwell, on his return through Statesville last week, preached a sermon in the Methodist church at that place, of which the Landmark says: "It was indeed a discourse of rare excellence and elicited from those who heard it the highest praise. Mr. Bagwell is a native of Alexander county and was on his return from a visit there. He fills one of the most important appointments within the bounds of the North Carolina Conference, and is alike an honor to his church and to the county which gave him birth."

With perfect truth it has been remarked that the average leading to an early grave have often been caused by a cough of one kind or another, which is usually cured by Dr. Bull's cough syrup. Price 25c.

THE POWER OF THE PRESS.

In no way is the power of the press more surely shown than in the universal knowledge that has been gained of the case of the colored man who was shot in the papers, by already making a finey million of people of the wonderful curative properties of that simple remedy, Dr. Bull's cough syrup. It is in the papers, by already making a finey million of people of the wonderful curative properties of that simple remedy, Dr. Bull's cough syrup. It is in the papers, by already making a finey million of people of the wonderful curative properties of that simple remedy, Dr. Bull's cough syrup. Price 25c.

Postal Crookedness.

The Concord Register, of Friday, has the following as the first paragraph of an article over a column in length, on the irregularities, carelessness or bad management of the railway mail service in this vicinity:

"We have, in the matter of postal department outages, suffered in this part of the country, carried out strictly the instructions of how to write, and been patient, long suffering, in hope that in reasonable time correction would come, but instead of improvement it goes from bad to worse until it has become intolerable."

Following this is an enumeration of the causes of complaint, and every newspaper publisher and reader cannot but agree that the bill of indictment made by the Register is a just one. For a month or more past the editor of THE OBSERVER has been almost in daily receipt of letters from postoffices north of this place in which subscribers to this paper have given him the cheerful information that their papers must be stopped unless they are sent on the proper mail, and this after everything necessary has been done to place the paper in the hands of its patrons in due time after publication. The evil is one which seriously affects the interests of the reader as well as the publisher, but the latter most seriously, and there is no excuse to be made by the management of the service why such a state of affairs should exist.

This condition of things has prevailed to a greater or less extent ever since Mr. M. V. Bailey, the former division superintendent, was transferred. The whole arrangement seemed to have become demoralized on his removal, and a very large number of people in this section of the country would like to have a diagnosis of the case furnished, and there is no better way to have the evil remedied than to make public demand for what is due the public.

Church Music.

It is an indisputable fact that many church choirs of the present day introduce music into the sanctuary which, to a congregation of thirty years ago, would be horrifying. It seems perfectly natural for the organist, in the voluntary and interludes, to inject snatches from the favorite airs of the day, and while the effect may be pleasing to the ear, there are many good people who do not approve of it. A prominent church member has handed us a clipping from a newspaper, bearing on the subject, with a request to publish, which is given without further comment—

"It is a notorious fact, but one which many of our church choirs are slow to learn, that the masses have no appreciation of operatic music. We see many manifestations of this. Three years ago a farewell concert was given to Theodore Thomas in New York City, on the eve of his departure for Cincinnati. The audience was very large, and was composed of the elite of New York. Miss Emma Abbott, the noted opera singer, had volunteered to sing one of her operatic pieces during the evening. It was rendered with faultless precision. As to the taste and feelings of the masses the world over. But how difficult it is for some of our church choirs to realize this fact!

The Graded School Location—Letter from Superintendent Waller.

In reply to the complaints about the location of the city graded school, noticed in yesterday's OBSERVER, Rev. W. T. Waller, superintendent of education for this county, writes a letter, which is given below, in explanation of the matter. While it is admitted that the objections to the location are in a measure just, still the public interested will see that the committee having the matter in charge has secured the best location available, and this fact should be sufficient to remove all blame from those making the selection. We give the letter to the public, believing that it will be received as a satisfactory explanation, and bespeak for the officials the encouragement and support of all expecting to become patrons of the school:

The complaint which appeared in the last issue of the Home and Democrat, and which you notice in your issue of this morning, is just. Those having the matter in charge have acted as they thought for the interest of the children of the city. I beg to offer this as an answer to the complaint and ask you to please insert it:

1st. Deeming the "ward schools" as insufficient for the wants of the children, they, the committee, thought it best to consolidate these and form a "graded school."

2d. The best, and in fact the only buildings that we could secure were those we now occupy.

3d. Smaller children are not received in the school "at the far-off corner of the first ward." The school for these is, indeed, in the first ward, but much more central than the male department. Children under 12 years of age are received only in the female department on Fifth street. The committee thought while it was a little far for children to walk, yet a good school would somewhat compensate for this. I answer this complaint for this reason. We wish to make a good school and we feel that with the support of the citizens of Charlotte we will succeed. We have a competent force of teachers and all is at present working well.

I send this to you, Editor, rather than to the Home and Democrat only that it may reach the public sooner.

Respectfully,  
W. T. WALLER,  
Supt. Public Instruction,  
Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 10.

The Florence Nightingale of the Nursery.

The following is an extract from a letter written to the German Reformed Messenger, at Chambersburg, Penn.:

A BENEVOLENT.

Just open the door for her, and Mrs. Winslow will prove the American Florence Nightingale of the nursery. Of this we are so sure that we will send you one of our bottles of Mrs. Winslow's Food for helping her to survive and escape the griping, colic and loosing stage. Mrs. Winslow's Food relieves the child from pain and eases colic and diarrhea. It softens the gums, reduces the heat of the body, and cures the infant through the loosing period. It sends the child to bed peacefully, and performs its duty in a most efficient manner. We have never seen Mrs. Winslow—know her only through the preparation of her "Gooding Syrup for Children." It is a most valuable medicine, and we would make her, as she is, a physical savior to the infant race. Sold by all druggists, 25 cents a bottle.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.

A Fine Mare with Phantom. Apply to J. E. B. No. 1117.

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JUST RECEIVED FROM E. P. BOE, OF NEW YORK.

Strawberries, Raspberries, Gooseberries, Currants, and Grape Vines. T. W. SPARROW.

PLEASURE CLUB.

Regular Meeting of the club will be held at the First Rooms on Monday evening, at 7 1/2 o'clock. Business of IMPORTANCE, and members are EARNESTLY requested to be present.

A. L. SMITH, President.

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We are now receiving orders for CHRISTMAS CAKES, and if you desire anything in that line we would be glad to have you call on us.

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See us for XMAS GOODS by all means.

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