

## The Charlotte Observer.

### LOCAL MATTERS.

TUESDAY, JAN. 3, 1882.

### SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

### MASONIC.

FRANCAN LODGE NO. 31, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.

EXALATION LODGE NO. 261, A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting every first and third Tuesday nights.

CHARLOTTE CHAPTER NO. 56, R. A. M.—Regular meeting every second and fourth Friday nights.

CHARLOTTE COMMANDERY NO. 2, R. A. M.—Regular meeting every first and third Thursday.

### K. O. H.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR—Regular meeting every second and fourth Thursday.

### 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.

CHARLOTTE LODGE NO. 88—Meets every 3rd day night.

MECKLENBURG DECLARATION LODGE NO. 8—Meets every Tuesday night.

DIXIE LODGE NO. 108—Meets every Wednesday night.

CATAWBA RIVER ENCAMPMENT NO. 21—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday nights in each month.

**Index to New Advertisements.**

J. W. Long, Notary  
LeRoy Davidson—Buckwheat Flour, &c  
Commonwealth Lottery Company.  
J. A. McElroy—Sale of Bonds.

### BUSINESS NOTICES.

#### WHY ARE YOU BILLIOUS?

Because you have allowed your bowels to become constipated, and liver torpid. Use Kidney Wort to purify the blood, and cleanse the body. It will regulate the liver to proper action, cleanse the skin of its yellowness, cure bilious headache, and cause the bile in the blood. Druggists have it, b. h. dry and liquid.—Zier's Herald.

The Florence Nightingale of the Nursery. The following is an extract from a letter written to the Associated Press by Mrs. Florence Nightingale.

Just open the door for her, and Mrs. Winslow will prove the American Florence Nightingale of the United States. She has written to us to teach our Suzy to say, "A blessing on Mrs. Winslow! for helping her to survive and escape the gripping, straitening, and twisting sieges." Winslow's Remedy is a safe, simple, mild from nature, and cures soreness and diarrhoea. It softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures wind colic, and eases griping. It is a safe, simple, painless remedy, performs precisely what it professes to perform, every part of it—nothing less. We have never seen Mrs. Winslow's—known only through the preparation of her "Nursing Signs for Children and Infants." If we had the power we would make her, as she is, a physical saviour to the infant race. Sold by all druggists. Price 25 cents a bottle.

**UNRELIABLE SUBSTITUTES.**

The unparalleled success of Simmons Liver Regulator has stimulated unscrupulous individuals to offer substitutes, which are entirely unlike the genuine in their effect and composition, are calculated to injure the well-earned remedial reputation of Simmons Liver Regulator. The genuine Regulator contains no mineral poison, manufactured by a chemical process and by improved apparatus originated and only used by J. H. Zell & Co., Philadelphia.

Let the poor sufferers from female complaints take courage and rejoice that a painless remedy has been found. We refer to Lydia Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is prepared at 223 Western Avenue, Lynn, Mass. Send to Mrs. Pinkham for pamphlets.

To promote a vigorous growth of the hair, use Parker's Hair Balsam. It restores the youthful color to gray hair, removes dandruff, and cures itching of the scalp.

A Cough, Cold, or Sore Throat Should Not be Neglected. "Brown's Bronchial Troches are a simple remedy, and will generally give immediate relief."

**New Advertisements.**

**ROYAL**  
  
**BAKING POWDER**  
Absolutely Pure.

This powder is in many varieties. A marvel of purity, strength and wholesomeness. It is far superior to than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low test, short weight, alum or phosphate bakers. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.  
LeRoy Davidson, sole agent, Charlotte, N. C.

**WANTED.**

A young man who has had considerable experience, desires a situation as assistant book keeper or clerk, in a grocery store. Best of references given if required. Address: Observer Office, Jan 31<sup>st</sup>.

**JUST RECEIVED.**

FLORIDA ORANGES and LEMONS; also on hand Turkeys, Geese, Eggs and Cranberries, Buckwheat Flour and New Orleans Molasses.

dec23 S. M. HOWELL.

**AUCTION SALE.**

NEXT Wednesday at 10 o'clock a.m., a lot of Furniture of all kinds will be sold at the Charlotte Hotel, to the highest bidder.

Jan 1 M. SCHLOSS.

Chew only the brand of tobacco known as The Old Oakmen Bucket.

The iron-bound bucket.

The moss-covered bucket.

That hung in the well.

CHAS. P. JONES,  
Charlotte, N. C., sole agent.

---Liberal terms to dealers.

**Holiday Goods.**

THE CHOICEST COLLECTION OF

FANCY GOODS

—AND—

Silverplated Ware.

ever exhibited in Charlotte, at the

---CHINA PALACE—

—OF—

J. BROOKFIELD & CO.

Our Stock is complete in all its branches, and everything will be exhibited. Call early and avoid the rush.

China Tea Sets, Dishes, Cups and Mugs, Spoons, Plates and Fruit Plates, Glassware, Pictures, Books, Stationery, Toys, China and Banks, Vases, Fancy Boxes and Trays, the finest collection of Japanese Boxes and Trays, the finest collection of Dolls, Toys, Baby Goods, Children's Musical Toys and Tops, Etc., Etc.

FADED OR GRAY HAIR gradually recovers its former color and lustre by the use of Parker's Hair Balsam, an elegant dressing, admired for its purity and rich perfume.

THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER.

HOME CHIMPLETS.

A BROKEN SKULL.

What a Post-Mortem Heaven!—A Negro Child Murdered by Degrees.

On or about the 16th of December a little colored boy named James Wilson, aged about six years, died in this city at the house of his father, John Wilson, from what was said to be typhoid fever. Rumors soon were put abroad that the child came to its death by starvation and brutal treatment, and the reports seemed to have sufficient truth to warrant an investigation of the matter. Last Saturday Coroner Alexander came into town and impaneled a jury of six men, consisting of Messrs. C. C. King, J. Harris, W. H. Gray, Jasper Alexander, J. W. Wilson and W. M. Cross, and examined the body. Dr. Wilder, the county physician, made a partial post-mortem examination, after which witnesses were summoned and testimony taken. Six or seven witnesses who were examined testified to having seen the child abused on different occasions in a most inhuman manner, and that it was not properly fed or clad. The examination was continued until yesterday, and after the testimony was taken Dr. Wilder, who was not prepared on Saturday to make a critical examination of the body, had the grave re-opened and made a thorough investigation, which revealed the fact that the base of the skull had been broken across, and that there was an accumulation of pus at the break; that the brain had sustained sufficient injury to cause death.

A negro woman living with Wilson, Emeline Springs by name, is charged with having inflicted the injuries which resulted in death, by throwing the boy against a pot and breaking his skull. She disappeared from the city shortly after the death of the boy, and her whereabouts is at present unknown, as is also that of the father.

Upon the evidence and the facts the jury returned a verdict charging Emeline Springs with the murder of James Wilson, and his father, John Wilson, with being an accessory to the act.

Several parties were arrested under suspicion of being implicated, but the evidence was not sufficient to warrant their detention, and they were released.

The coroner is of opinion that he will be able to bring the guilty parties to justice, as it is to be hoped he will, for the evidence and facts show that the boy has been most cruelly murdered by degrees, the horrible crime being completed when his skull was broken.

The father stands on the same footing in relation to the deed as does the woman, as it is in evidence that he was cognizant of the cruelty practiced on his child, and even participated in the devilish work.

**The Tax on Druggists.**

Some time since there was a meeting of about three hundred druggists, representing business houses in almost every section of the country, held in Atlanta, Ga., for the purpose of completing an organization, the object of which is to obtain a repeal of the laws, both municipal and State, under which commercial travellers are taxed. This is a question that has been discussed throughout the country for some time past, and one which interests directly every town and city in this and every other State. Pending any action which this organization may take looking to the relief sought, there has been a very important decision just rendered by the Kentucky court of appeal, which is wholly in favor of the commercial men. In a test case submitted the presiding justice took section 2 of article 4 of the constitution of the United States which declares that "the citizens of each State shall be entitled to all the privileges and immunities of citizens in the several States," and held that while the supreme court had not fixed the extent of meaning to be attached to the word "privileges and immunities," yet they are of comprehensive meaning, and the clause quoted unmistakably secures the right of a citizen of one State to pass into another for the purpose of engaging in lawful commerce, trade or business, and to be exempt from any higher taxes than are imposed by the State upon its own citizens. The court also held that there was no difference between the tax upon the sale of an article and a tax upon the article itself, and hence an ordinance requiring a license fee from a non-resident greater than is required of a resident is unconstitutional.

**Weeks of Prayer.**

The executive committee of the Evangelical Alliance have issued a program for a week of prayer, beginning with the first of the year and ending next Saturday, as follows:

Tuesday, January 3d—Humiliation and confession on account of individual, social and national sins.

Wednesday, January 4th—Prayer for the blessing of God on His Church, and His Word.

Thursday, January 5th—Prayer for the young and all agencies for Christian training.

Friday, January 6th—Prayer for the universal prevalence of peace and righteousness.

Saturday, January 7th—Prayer for Christian mission, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the conversion of the world.

About half-past nine o'clock last night fire was discovered in the grocery store of J. R. Ratterree, on Tryon street. The alarm was immediately given, but before the engines reached the scene the door was broken open and several parties entered and extinguished the flames, which were making rapid headway. An old trash barrel in the rear room of the store took fire and was almost entirely consumed, and the flames were communicated to a large kerosene tank, partly filled with oil, but before an explosion occurred the fire was smothered and the tank saved. It was a most narrow escape from a serious fire, as the store is located in one of the most crowded portions of the city and is entirely surrounded with wooden buildings. How the fire originated is at present unknown, though there was fire in the store at the time, and a spark may have done the work.

In these advanced stages of bronchial disease, where great organic decay prevails, and where the system is weak, the best treatment is rest, quiet, and a full course of air. But though apparently a very general case and relief to the weary sufferer.

**Meeting of the County Commissioners.**

The board of county commissioners met in regular monthly session yesterday morning. Most of the day was consumed in passing upon claims due individuals for various services, and for the support of paupers.

The line of school district No. 17 was slightly changed, and Rev. G. R. White, Messrs. A. G. Kirkpatrick and E. C. Bell were appointed as school commissioners for the district. The lines of districts Nos. 73 and 80 were also slightly changed.

Mr. A. F. Yandell, the keeper of the poor house, submitted his report for the month ended December 31st, from which it is learned that there were 22 white and 30 colored paupers in that institution on the 1st of the month. The business transacted, other than what is mentioned, was of no public importance whatever.

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dated Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1881, which note was obtained under false pretense, and I demand that any person or persons from trading for said note, I demand payment.

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