

LOCAL MATTERS.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4, 1882.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

MASONIC. BALANCE LODGE NO. 31, A. F. & M. E. M. Regular meeting every second and fourth Monday nights.

K. O. F. CHARLOTTE LODGE NO. 88. Meets every Tuesday night.

BUSINESS NOTICES. Sulfide and Dyspepsia. A most remarkable cure for dyspepsia, "Well's Health Renewer."

HOME CHIEFLETS.

Dr. J. J. Mott and Mr. T. N. Cooper, of Iredell, were registered at the Central yesterday evening.

Tryon Street Library Association will elect its officers for the ensuing six months at the regular meeting Friday night.

Hon. C. Dowd, who has been on a visit to his family in this city during the holidays, left for Washington City yesterday evening.

Mr. R. F. Stokes, formerly a salesman at Seigle & Co's., has taken a position in the millinery department of the establishment of Witkowski & Baruch.

Richmond and Danville stock continues to advance, and the quotations, compared with those of a short time ago, and with other good railroad stock, are astonishing.

Coroner Alexander says that the body of James Wilson, the little negro murdered last month, showed more abuse than any ever coming under his observation.

Mr. J. R. Ratteree, whose store so narrowly escaped destruction by fire Monday night, desires to return thanks to the gentlemen who extinguished the fire so promptly.

Mr. E. A. Hutchison, of Rock Hill, S. C., bid in the old Rock Island factory property, at the commissioners sale last Monday, at the sum of \$8,000.

A little saw dust or coal ashes could be used on some of the ice-covered sidewalks of the city to good advantage.

The County Commissioners yesterday refused to entertain petitions from several liquor dealers to grant licenses for retailing in the city, from which it is to be inferred that the whiskey war is not yet at an end.

The fluency with which the average small boy of Charlotte indulges in profanity when from under the parental roof, is sufficient to harrow the pious mother's soul, or make an old adept turn green with envy.

Mr. Watt Alexander, for the past seven years connected with the millinery house of Mrs. Query, has taken a position with Messrs. Seigle & Co. for the present year.

The coroner yesterday was out in search of the negroes, John Wilson and Emeline Springs, charged with the murder of the little negro boy, James Wilson.

Yesterday Justice Waring had the liveliest little law suit that has agitated the usual serenity of court house circles since the days of the whiskey cases.

After arguments had been made the point was made by Judge Bynum, for the defence, that the written notice served in October was a waiver of all previous notices, and that the property had already been rented to another party when the written notice was served.

Concord Notes. The young people of Concord on Monday participated in a street mask parade, and closed the jollities of the day with a grand mask ball at night.

Mr. Tom Morrison, a popular clerk in the dry goods house of Messrs. Caunons & Felzer, has severed his connection with the house, and his place has been filled by Mr. C. W. Graham, the manager of the firm's branch house at Salisbury.

It is stated that the guano dealers of Concord are in a fair way to lose considerable money on their time transactions on account of not having registered their mortgages. The merchants, who also did considerable time business, attended to this important matter, and the guano men now find that their turn generally comes second, while many of the farmers are unable to pay out.

JOHN BILLINGS HEARD FROM. NEW YORK, R. I., Aug. 11, 1880. Dear Bitters—I am here trying to breathe in all the salt air of the coast, and having been a sufferer for more than a year with a retreating liver, I am glad to find that your Bitters have done me so much good.

JOHN BILLINGS. Yours without a struggle.

COUNTY MATTERS.

What the Commissioners did Yesterday—Some Important Business Transacted.

The board of County Commissioners continued their monthly session yesterday, and transacted considerable business of importance.

Rev. W. T. Waller, the county superintendent of public instruction, submitted his monthly report, which was received and filed.

Wm. Maxwell, register of deeds, presented his report of the number of marriage licenses issued during the last year, which shows that 149 were issued to whites and 223 to colored, for which the county received the sum of \$185.50, less 5 per cent. commission to the register.

An order was passed by the board to pay Wm. Maxwell, register of deeds and clerk ex-officio to the board, the sum of \$298.75, for services rendered.

The jury serving at the inquest on the body of Jas. Wilson, the little negro boy whose death was caused by violence, were paid \$4.50 each for the three days investigation.

The sum of \$21.94 was ordered to be paid out of the school and county tax to J. R. Holland, the amount having been improperly charged to L. W. Barringer in 1881 on 100 shares of bank stock, when it should have been 50.

An order was made reducing the valuation on the house and lot of Mary O'Neill, in this city, from \$900 to \$300, and giving the sheriff proper credit on his accounts in consequence of the reduction.

The following order was passed in relation to school district No. 1. (formerly districts Nos. 1, 2 and 3 which were heretofore consolidated into one district for white and colored.)

"It is ordered by the county board of education that the sums of money standing on the books of the treasurer to the credit of districts Nos. 1, 2 and 3 be placed to the credit of the consolidated district, and that the treasurer pay out of that fund all liabilities of the districts upon the order of the committee of district No. 1."

The sum of \$804.61, being the amount of money in the hands of the treasurer for road purposes, under what is known as the Alexander road law, was ordered to be apportioned among the different townships of the county pro rata, and that said apportionment be subject to the order of the township supervisors.

Messrs. C. H. Wolfe, Jno. Glenn, and W. S. Pharr were constituted a committee to cause the necessary repairs to be made on the bridge over Brier Creek, on the Monroe road.

W. J. Cherry was appointed a school committeeman for district No. 72, in Crab Orchard, in place of J. C. Hood, who is not a resident of the district.

Messrs. C. L. Adams, J. C. Springs and Geo. Miller, severally petitioned the board for an order authorizing the sheriff to issue licenses for the retail of spirituous liquors within the city of Charlotte. The petitions were not granted.

The county treasurer was ordered to pay all jurors for the special January term of court, when the tickets have been certified by the clerk of said court; the same to be paid at the end of each week, or at the end of the term of said court.

The county board of education ordered that the county treasurer place to the credit of the public school fund the sum of \$2,575.35, being three-fourths net of the State poll tax, and that the remainder, \$858.45, be placed to the credit of the general county fund for the support of paupers. Also, that the sum of \$1,488.00, being three-fourths of the county poll-tax, be placed to the credit of the public school fund, and the remainder, \$495.05, to the county general fund for support of paupers. These orders were made to take effect December 31, 1881.

Below will be found a statement showing the amount of taxes received by the county from M. E. Alexander, sheriff, for public school purposes for the year 1881, and from all other sources since 6th October, 1880, the date of the last apportionment:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Property tax, State poll tax, County poll tax, and various commissions.

By Am't paid Register of Deeds 46.95; By Am't paid Co. Treasurer 23.22; By Am't paid Sheriff for inventory 625.21; By Am't paid Co. Superintendent 312.00; By Am't paid for stationary 22.00.

Total on hand \$15,433.81; Less for future expenses 1,433.81; Leaving net balance \$14,000.00.

The report was examined and found to be correct. The amount in the hands of the treasurer will be apportioned among the various school districts of the county.

The board will continue its sitting to-day for the transaction of other county business.

Mortality. Below will be found a report of the number of interments in the two cemeteries for the month of December, with causes of death:

Elmwood.—Male adults, 1; female adults, 2; Cause of death: heart disease, 1; debility, 1.

Pinewood (colored).—Male adults, 1; children, 2; Cause of death: pneumonia, 1; diarrhoea, 1; consumption, 1; meningitis, 1; typhoid fever, 1; premature birth, 1; unknown, 1.

The midnight marauder should not be banished from our dwelling any more quickly than a scoundrel or cold of any kind be driven from the system. Dr. Bull's cough syrup quickly yet positively places all colds under its control. Price 25c.

Death of an old Citizen.

W. S. Norment, Esq., died at his residence in this city yesterday morning, and the funeral will take place this morning at 11 o'clock from his late residence on Stonewall street. He had long since passed his three score years and ten, and died of old age. He was the father of Dr. R. M. Norment, who is known throughout the State as a Republican politician of some note.

Amusement Notes. Frederick Wards and his company will fill an engagement at the opera house this evening in the "Merchant of Venice" and "Catherine and Petruchio." One of the best newspaper critics of the West, in speaking of this company's appearance at St. Louis, says: "In the evening the tragedian displayed his versatility by assuming the role of Shylock in the 'Merchant of Venice,' in which part Mr. Wards again prominently evinced his originality and faithful, conscientious study of Shakespeare. His Jew was no caricature, but his key-note was pitched in a facsimile of nature. Shylock was a man robbed of all the eccentricity with which some actors invest the part, and stood out as a gentleman of the human family, albeit not a Gentile. 'Catherine and Petruchio' in the evening's programme, and in this commendation of the 'Taming of the Shrew' Mr. Wards was breezy, nifty and vigorous, acting in the true comedy vein. The star was much applauded for his artistic work."

Gus Williams and his right hand man, John Rickaby are at outs over the merits of the former's new piece, "Wanted a Carpenter." Gus thinks there are millions in it, and John thinks there will be thousands out on it if it is kept on the boards, and Rickaby has resigned his position as manager in consequence. Many people here who saw the "German Senator" were disappointed in the new piece.

George Adams, the well known Humpty Dumpty, recently invited the pupils of several deaf and dumb asylums in Baltimore to witness his performance. This is one of the plays in which a deaf and dumb man has as good a show as he who hears.

Kate Claxton, who is to appear here shortly, was recently inducted in Boston for breaking a contract. The injunction was granted, and Katie was made to dance to the music.

Lawrence Barrett has been doing Texas, while M. B. Curtis, as Sam'l Posen, has been looking after the hell of a dollar in Memphis.

The Christmas number of the New York Mirror, the best dramatic paper of the times, is a splendid production, and is also that of the following week, and the two contain much information in regard to the movements of the traveling companies of the country, including dates of performances in advance.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH. JANUARY 3, 1882. PRODUCE.

WILMINGTON, N. C.—Spirits turpentine firm at 52c. Bostin firm; strained \$2.05; good strained \$2.10. Turp. ready at \$1.90. Crude turpentine at \$2.25. Hard \$2.50 for yellow oil; \$2.90 for virgin inferior. Corn unchanged; prime white \$1.28; mixed 78¢.

BALTIMORE—Wheat—Quiet, with more inquiry and unchanged. Forward street and Western super \$4.37; \$5.00; extra \$5.25; \$5.37; family \$5.00; \$5.25; \$5.50; \$5.75; \$6.00; \$6.25; \$6.50; \$6.75; \$7.00; \$7.25; \$7.50; \$7.75; \$8.00; \$8.25; \$8.50; \$8.75; \$9.00; \$9.25; \$9.50; \$9.75; \$10.00; \$10.25; \$10.50; \$10.75; \$11.00; \$11.25; \$11.50; \$11.75; \$12.00; \$12.25; \$12.50; \$12.75; \$13.00; \$13.25; \$13.50; \$13.75; \$14.00; \$14.25; \$14.50; \$14.75; \$15.00; \$15.25; \$15.50; \$15.75; \$16.00; \$16.25; \$16.50; \$16.75; \$17.00; \$17.25; \$17.50; \$17.75; \$18.00; \$18.25; \$18.50; \$18.75; \$19.00; \$19.25; \$19.50; \$19.75; \$20.00; \$20.25; \$20.50; \$20.75; \$21.00; \$21.25; \$21.50; \$21.75; \$22.00; \$22.25; \$22.50; \$22.75; \$23.00; \$23.25; \$23.50; \$23.75; \$24.00; \$24.25; \$24.50; \$24.75; \$25.00; \$25.25; \$25.50; \$25.75; \$26.00; \$26.25; \$26.50; \$26.75; \$27.00; \$27.25; \$27.50; \$27.75; \$28.00; \$28.25; \$28.50; \$28.75; \$29.00; \$29.25; \$29.50; \$29.75; \$30.00; \$30.25; \$30.50; \$30.75; \$31.00; 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