

Theodore N. Ramsey arrived in this city last night, and will lecture at the M. E. Church to-night, on the temperance question.

Botting Cloths.—A fresh supply of the old and reliable HET ANCHOR Botting Cloths, just received at McCUBBINS, BEALL & DEANS.

Katie Putnam.—This distinguished young actress, it will be seen, will visit this place next week and give Entertainments Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Some of our young men that have become marriageable since last Leap Year, and have been too bashful to press their claims on the fair sex, will be apt to know during the coming twelve months, whether there is a chance for them or not.

GOLD MEDAL.—Saml. H. Wiley, Esq., of this city offers a Gold Medal Prize, worth twenty-five dollars to the best mathematician in the Sophomore class of Davidson College, to be won upon a competitive examination.

For several years the Rev. Mr. Rockwell has been giving a prize to the best Latinist in the same class. Who will offer a prize for the best Grecian?

The good people of WAGHETOWN, near Salem, as we learn from the Press, had a merry day on Christmas in various amusements, among which was a sport called "rolling."

One of our College students was walking up Main street in that pompous style for which all G. students are proverbial, with a badge of the "Phi" society swinging to the lapel of his coat, flashing gold rays in every direction, and blinding for a moment persons that chanced to be in the angle of reflection.

The Scientific American proposes to substitute electricity for lightning for the gallows, as a mode of capital punishment, in order to prevent the revolting scenes sometimes enacted at public executions.

Dr. Tuttle's Expecto-rant.—This valuable preparation has reformed some of the most astonishing cures that are recorded in the annals of history.

TOWN MEETING. SALISBURY, N. C. JAN. 3, 1876.

A regular meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners was held at the Mayor's office, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Present, J. J. Stewart, Mayor, and of the Board Commissioners, Bernhardt, Snider, Vanderford, Parker, Meroney, McNeely, and Kennedy.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Committee appointed for the purpose of renting a suitable building for the Mayor's office, Engine House, &c., reported that duty performed, and was continued for the purpose of contracting for lumber to build sheds, &c., and to superintend construction of same.

Ordered, That the sheds torn in Town, and in Oak Grove Cemetery, be trimmed.

The Mayor, was instructed to employ hands to do the work.

The application of S. R. Harrison, for reduction of taxes on his Town Realty, was referred to the tax assessors.

The Mayor, and Commissioner Meroney, were appointed a Committee, to organize two Fire Companies.

The Committee appointed for the purpose of renting a suitable building for Calaboose, for use of Town, reported that duty performed, and were discharged.

some suitable expression of our affectionate regard for the deceased, and of our sorrow for his departure—therefore Resolved, That in the death of this venerable man, this community has lost a devoted friend, a wise counsellor and an upright and distinguished citizen; the Country, a distinguished, able and uncorrupt Statesman; the legal profession, a zealous, gifted, successful and stainless advocate; and his family a kind, gentle, affectionate and loving Husband and Father.

Resolved, That we desire to bear public testimony to his steady, conscientious and life-long fulfillment of every public trust; to his pure and blameless personal character; and to his unselfish and unwavering devotion to principles which he adhered to at all times, and under all circumstances—in prosperity and adversity—and which won for him the confidence and affection of all who knew him.

Resolved, That we hereby offer our sympathy to the afflicted family of the deceased, and pray, that they may find in God's grace comfort in this their bitter bereavement.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this Board, and that the Clerk be requested to transmit a copy of them to the family of the deceased.

The following bills were passed and ordered to be paid. One by R. H. Vanderford, police services for Dec. \$31.00 One by T. M. Earnhart, police services for Dec. 29.00 One by Y. T. Englebert, Sexton services for Dec. 25.00 One by Y. T. Englebert, Cash paid to Robert. 7.10 One by Klutz & Randleman 7 lbs. of all rope. 1.19 One by Crawford & Heilig for 8 lbs. of "3/8" nails. .15 One by Lewis Trexler, Lamp Lighting for Dec. 1.50 One by D. A. Atwell, well rope. 1.35 One by J. A. Randleman Jailor fee for feeding and keeping the following named persons.

Eliza Robbins (col), 10 day's Board at 35 cts. \$3.50 Two Turnkeys at 30 cts. .60 Lewis Vogler, 2 day's board at 35 cts. .70 Two Turnkeys at 30 cts. .60 W. J. Plumer Jr., 2 day's board at 35 cts. .70 Two Turnkeys at 30 cts. .60 Lewis Vogler, 9 day's board at 35 cts. 3.15 Two Turnkeys at 30 cts. .60 One by Theo. F. Klutz, for Freight paid on Fire Engine from Rockville, S. C., to Salisbury. \$5.60

Total amount.....\$107.59 No other business appearing, on motion the Board then adjourned. P. B. KENNEDY, Secretary.

TOWN MEETING. HON. BURTON CRAIG. IN MEMORIAM.

Pursuant to call of the Mayor, a large number of the citizens of the town met in the Court House at three and a half o'clock P. M., Tuesday, Dec. 30th, 1875. On motion of J. J. Stewart, Maj. Jas. E. Kerr was called to the chair, and on motion of J. M. McCorkle, Esq., J. J. Stewart and Theo. F. Klutz were appointed Secretaries.

The chair in a few touching remarks explained the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of taking appropriate action for the recognition on the morrow of the mortal remains of our late honored fellow-citizen Hon. Burton Craige, who died this morning at the residence of his son-in-law Mr. Alfred Young, at Concord, N. C. And further to make suitable arrangements for paying the last honors to one who had spent his days among us, and whom we had always delighted to honor, one who had spent amongst us a long life of honor and usefulness who had always possessed in a remarkable degree the confidence of the community, and who was eminently a great and good man.

Mr. J. M. McCorkle said:— Mr. Chairman: The people of North Carolina are called upon today to mourn the loss of a distinguished son, a great and good man. But the people of Salisbury have a deeper cause for mourning. As you, Mr. chairman well know, the deceased spent his life here. Just after he had attained his majority, under the old borrough system he represented the borough of Salisbury in the House of Commons and since then he has held many positions of honor, and in none of them has he ever betrayed his trust. He was always true to the post of duty, as true to the interests of his constituents as the needle to the pole.

"In the brightest days of the Roman Empire none were so bright as those which were set apart as observances of the memories of its distinguished dead; and to-day, though we can not call back the many form, and though we can never hear again the clear tones of his voice, yet we do ourselves honor, and do but our duty to our distinguished fellow-citizen, the Hon. Burton Craige, departed this life at two o'clock this morning, in Cabarrus County, at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Alfred Young."

Resolved, That by the death of said deceased the County has lost a distinguished Statesman, the Bar a pure and able advocate, this community an upright citizen and a warm and devoted friend; and his wife and children, a kind, gentle and loving husband and father.

That the citizens of this Town be requested to meet the remains of the Deceased at the Depot to-morrow morning upon the arrival of the 8 1/2 o'clock train, from Concord.

Resolved 2. That the Chairman of this meeting appoint a Committee of ten persons, to make such arrangements, in connection with the funeral services of the deceased, as may be deemed advisable after a consultation with the family.

Resolved 3. That we recommend, that during the funeral services of the deceased the stores and all other public places in the Town, and also to act as closed, and that all citizens of said Town and vicinity be requested to attend said services.

Resolved 4. That we tender to the family of the deceased our sincere sympathy and condolence in their bereavement.

Resolved 5. That the Secretary be requested to furnish these resolutions to the "WATCHMAN" for publication, and also a copy of the same to the family of the deceased.

Resolved 6. That the resolutions were unanimously adopted. On motion of J. F. Bos, Esq., the following gentlemen were appointed to make suitable arrangements for the funeral, and also to act as a committee: J. M. McCorkle, Jas. E. Kerr, John B. Henderson, Jno W. Manney, M. Whitehead, M. L. Holmes, J. J. Bruner, A. Bingham, W. C. Crawford, Luke Blackmer. On motion of Mr. John S. Henderson, the chair appointed the following gentlemen a committee to proceed to Concord and receive, and escort

the remains to this place: J. J. Stewart, Wm. H. Overman, Thos. F. Meroney, Walter L. Rankin. On motion the Secretaries were directed to furnish a copy of the proceedings to the meeting to the Carolina Watchman for publication, when on motion, the meeting adjourned. JAS. E. KERR, Chairman. T. F. KLUTZ, Secretaries.

J. J. STEWART, Secretary. THEO. F. KLUTZ, Secretaries.

[From an occasional Correspondent.] SALER, N. C., Dec. 28th. EDITORS WATCHMAN: Christmas has just passed with us as usual in religious observances, which we try to make as bright and cheerful as possible, especially to children. Decorations and Christmas Trees are seen almost everywhere. In our church we have quite a handsome one, tall arches, covered with evergreen, festoons of the same, &c.—and in that attractive and beautiful atmosphere. We generally, in these decorations, try to make miniature towns, towns, rocks, valleys, with mosses, laurel, cedar, trailing vines, &c. then we have scattered about in these valleys, sheep, geese, turkeys, ducks, stables, with the star of Bethlehem over them, small houses, sending up their miniature smoke, their wheels turned by some engine water, with chimes in music, little mountains of lighted wax tapers are brought in and distributed, each child getting one, to represent the light of the world, Christ, the rising sun of righteousness, the dawning from on high, lighting those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, and the distribution of light is a great, a heavenly light, from Bethlehem's manger shining brightly on us, and who in darkness dwell, the night of evil to dispel, &c. &c. At 7 o'clock the meeting in held for adults, members of the church, and larger children, and after that, good dinners, and as many nice things as the season generally brings with it, good wishes to the friends and family of every one where.

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Perhaps I am boring you with these minute descriptions, but I am always a child at Christmas, which must excuse me. On Christmas Eve, we have first a meeting for small children at 6 o'clock, P. M., where they are told as simply as possible the old story of the birth of Christ, how he was born in a manger, his birth announced, the angels, &c. all through the services are interesting hymns, thus rendered familiar to us, and many a love-letter, a mug of coffee or tea, and a very light cake, after which the guests in honor, and the lighted wax tapers are brought in and distributed, each child getting one, to represent the light of the world, Christ, the rising sun of righteousness, the dawning from on high, lighting those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, and the distribution of light is a great, a heavenly light, from Bethlehem's manger shining brightly on us, and who in darkness dwell, the night of evil to dispel, &c. &c. At 7 o'clock the meeting is held for adults, members of the church, and larger children, and after that, good dinners, and as many nice things as the season generally brings with it, good wishes to the friends and family of every one where.

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Circumstances Alter Cases. When the President visited St. Louis, soon after the indictment of his friend, Gen. McDonald, a statement was sent over the country through the Associated Press, intended to give him credit for the stern integrity in dealing with the Whiskey Ring. It was represented that McDonald sent his card, and Grant promptly returned for answer, he "would receive no public officer who was indicted for defrauding the Government."

McDonald subsequently denied the truth of the alleged incident, and intimated that it had been gotten up for political effect. But the story had gone the rounds, and the Republican papers produced it in glowing terms as another proof of Grant's Roman virtue. Even now it is held up as an example worthy of imitation.

If the President ever had a disposition to turn his back on those conspirators and thieves, he seems suddenly to have changed his mind. Babcock, who was the chief stay of the corrupt combination, and has been indicted like his confederates, is now at Washington engaged in preparing his defence, with free access to every avenue of official information. He stands precisely where McDonald stood before trial, and is to be arraigned for a similar offence. How has he been treated?

So far from not being received because of this criminal indictment, Babcock has been welcomed at the White House as if nothing had occurred to change his relations. He occupies his desk there as usual, and actually performs duty as secretary, while the place is ostensibly held by his former assistant and confederate. The Cabinet, with the exception perhaps of Mr. Bristow, treat him as a persecuted person, and other high officials have extended to him a degree of civility and deference which is best explained by the President's open sympathy and partiality.

How effective this Executive protection may prove to be, will be known in a few weeks. It saved Harrington from the penitentiary when on trial for the safe burglary. And it is intended to rescue Babcock from the clutches of justice, when the proofs of his guilt are overwhelming. There is more than friendship at the bottom of this extraordinary interest on behalf of the indicted secretary. Babcock holds secrets that make him dangerous, and for that reason no power will be spared to insure his acquittal.—N. Y. Sun.

The New Year opens with a continuation of the mild weather, which made Christmas week so remarkable. An examination of the daily weather charts of the signal office, which we saw at Wilmington, showed the remarkable—perhaps unprecedented fact—that for five successive days during the past week, there was no point in the United States, east of the Rocky Mountains, where the mercury stood as low as the freezing point.—Daily News.

Joe says that he is impatient for the society of Avery, McDonald and Babcock, and that if the Government attorneys do their duty "the White House will be badly scorched, the President not excepted."

A young woman of Pekin, Ill., was asked by her minister if her husband feared the Lord. She replied, "Fear him! Bless you, he is so afraid of him that he never goes out of a Sunday without taking his gun along."

Joint Stock Co-operative Farming Companies. We are glad to say that considerable interest has been excited by the articles which have appeared in the RURAL CAROLINIAN on the subject of co-operative farming. The views advanced appeal to the practical common sense of the planter and the business man. The only fear expressed is that the agriculture classes are so little accustomed to any combination or concert of action, and so unfitted, by the habits bred of their isolated, humdrum life, that they will be unable to act together, in the way proposed, for the common good. A few years ago, this fear would have been well grounded, perhaps, but the Grange has already done much to teach the farmers their true relations to each other and to give them confidence in associative action. They see clearly the application of the principle to their own business—to farming itself—and are many of them, ready, we are convinced, to show their faith by their works.

As there is at present no organization of the elements required in such a combination as we have indicated, and one is likely to wait for another to take the initiative, and the work be thus indefinitely delayed, we hereby offer to become a medium of communication between the various parties who are interested in setting on foot one or more Joint Stock Co-operative Farming Companies to operate in the South, especially in the Sea Island and coast region of South Carolina. Land owners, capitalists, practical farmers, stock raisers, and business men interested in this movement and willing to invest money in it, or to work for it are earnestly invited to address us on the subject, stating what they are willing and able to do.

D. H. JACQUES. In the Rural Carolinian for December.

Another Railroad Default—Attachment Against the Carolina Central Railway Company. In the case of Horatio G. Onderdonk against the Carolina Central Railway Company, an attachment against all the property of the Company to be found in this State, was yesterday granted by Judge Barnard, of the New York Supreme Court, the Company having defaulted in paying the interest on \$143,000 of its bonds held by Judge Onderdonk, the plaintiff.—Brooklyn Daily Argus.

Our Dan remarked to his wife one evening, as he left home for the office: "I'll be back by ten o'clock if I don't meet with any serious pull-back." "It won't be well for you to meet any pull-backs, Daniel, serious or smiling, unless I know it," said his better-half, in a quiet but indignant tone.

On the 22nd of Dec., 1875, by the Rev. H. M. Brown, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Thomas Overman, and Miss Fannie Sides; all of Rowan Co., N. C.

By Rev. R. L. Brown, on the 23rd of Dec., 1875, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mr. Theophilus of G. Trexler to Miss E. Ann L. Trexler, all of Rowan Co.

December 1st, by Rev. W. Kimball, J. A. Ritchie and Jennina Ludwig.

December 19th, by the same, Daniel Stirewalt and Sarah J. Wilhelm.

December 23d, by the same, David H. Beaver and Margaret A. Peebel.

January 2nd, by the same, Dr. James Brown and Josephine C. Litaiker.

DIED. At his residence near Healing Springs, Davidson county, a few days ago, WILLIAM HARRIS, Esq., after a protracted illness. Aged about 67 years.

SALISBURY MARKET, January 5, 1876. COTTON—moderately brisk. Middlings, 12 low do 11 1/2 FLOUR—market steady—best fam. 3.00 super. 2.75 WHEAT—good demand at 1.00@1.15 CORN—market well supplied 55@60 MEAL—moderate demand at 60@65 SWEET POTATOES—readily at 40@50 IRISH do according to qual. 50@75 OATS 45@50 BUTTER CHICKENS—per dozen \$1.50@2.00 EGGS 12@15 ONIONS—in demand 7@7 1/2 CABBAGE—fill market—per lb. 2@2 1/2

RALEIGH MARKET. WHOLESALE CASH PRICES. RALEIGH, January 5, 1876. FLOUR, North Carolina \$6.50 a \$6.75. CORN, 85c. RICE, N. C. hog round, 16. HAMS, 20. HIDES, green, 7 a 8. POULTRY, based, new \$1.25. HAY, N. C. baled, 100.

Notice! I am selling my Whiskey to only two retail dealers in the town of Salisbury, and they are William H. Kuestler and Jason Hunt. BERRY POSTER. Dec. 28, 1875.