

LOCAL.

Pork sold as low as 4 cents per pound, in bulk, on the streets last week.

Business very active, judging from the appearance of our streets, for some days past.

Geo. Bois intends labeling his goods in the future—he don't like for folks to look at his stock of coco-nuts and remark that "thm's big nut-meats."

See Christmas Advertisements on the first page. Those wanting Christmas goods can find them here in abundance and at low rates.

Mr. W. G. Fowler, of Mooresville, was knocked down and robbed while going from his store to his residence, Thursday evening last, by some unknown person. His injuries are thought to be fatal.

Prof. W. H. Neave, has returned after about ten weeks absence. He has been instructing Bands in this, and our Sister State, S. C. He will probably take some rest now, though he has several calls from different points.

The survey of the Yadkin river has been completed. The officers in charge of the work say there is no difficulty in making the river navigable, and that it will not cost much to do it. We hope our representatives in Congress will apply for an appropriation and let the work be pushed up to completion.

Election of Officers.—The Salisbury Lodge, No. 775, Knights of Honor, elected, on Monday night, 16th inst., the following officers for the ensuing term: Vice Director, C. T. Bernhardt, Asst. Director, C. E. Mills, Reporter, T. B. Beall, Financial Reporter, J. D. McNeely, Treasurer, D. A. Atwell, Chaplain, J. G. Helleg, Guide, Moses A. Smith, Sergeant, W. L. Klutz, Medical Examiner, Dr. Rose Dorsett, Theo. F. Klutz representative to the Grand Lodge, J. Sam'l McCubbins, alternate.

CHINA GROVE ITEMS. Married, at the residence of the bride's father, in this county, by Rev. J. Ingle, Mr. E. J. Sloan and Miss Kate, daughter of Mr. Alex. Sloan. The bride is a daughter of the groom's father. The ceremony was a happy one, and was witnessed by a large number of friends. The happy couple will reside at the groom's home.

Another Debating Society has been established within the last week. Mr. A. W. Owens is the principal leader. We do not know what name it will assume. The debating hall is the place of assembly. Tuesday night the time.

Miss Martha Cline of Va., is the guest of Mrs. W. S. Cline. She will spend Christmas in our village. We would gladly welcome more ladies, as there are but one or two, except married ladies here.

The great "London Show," that passed through this place a few days ago, stopped long enough for the great horse that was pulling it to get a drink of water. We were glad to bid adieu and disinterestedly hope it will stop again, except to get water, this side of London.

\$50 reward will be given for the capture of the scoundrel that threw a rock through the car window of the Express going East last Friday night. Doubtless his residence is in the suburbs of Salisbury.

Another marriage to take place to-morrow (Thursday). We will give the particulars next week.

The newly established Debating Society closed last night, that "Ladies should not receive an equal Education with gentlemen." F. S. S.

Corruption in our National affairs has the same effect on the Government that a severe cough or cold has upon the human system. Political reform in the former, and Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in the latter case will remedy the evils. All the Drug-gists sell it for 25 cents a bottle.

Negroes Shot in Florida. JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 14.—About a month since, a mill at Mt. Carie, Columbia county, was set on fire by four negroes. The superintendent of the mill extinguished the flames before much damage was done. While the superintendent was absent from his home, the negroes entered, beat him severely, and stole \$200 in money. They were arrested next day, confessed their crime, and were committed to jail in Lake City. The jail was burned about a week since, and the men were removed to the court house. This morning at 3 o'clock thirty or forty disguised men overpowered the guard, took the prisoners out, shot two dead and mortally injured the third, and the fourth escaped. He has since given himself up to the authorities.

BUSINESS LOCAL COLUMN.

We would like persons intending to buy for Christmas trees or Christmas parties to come and see what we have and get our lowest prices. We have a big stock for such purposes.

This week we have increased our stock of Candies and Crackers. The finest Confectioneries we ever bought.

Extra Cream Soda Biscuit, Milk Biscuit, &c., &c., very fine indeed. Malaga Grapes, California Grapes in 3 B. wood boxes. California Pears, Florida Oranges, New York State Apples, just received at LINTON'S.

We have received a nice lot of Sweetmeats for Holiday trade.

Fresh Prunes, Prunell's Raisins, Figs, Citron, and Currants, just received at LINTON'S.

Preserved Ginger, Cross and Blackwell's Chow Chow; Atmore's Mince Meat, at LINTON'S.

Young man go to Linton's for a box of nice Bou Buns for your sweetheart.

Clocks & Watches Repaired very low at D. A. ATWELL'S Hardware Store, 2d St.

AN IMPORTANT RAILROAD.

From the Wilmington Star.

With the exception of the harbor improvements now going on at the mouth of the Cape Fear river, the Western North Carolina Railroad is the most important project in the State. These two enterprises are intimately connected. The depth of water secured by the harbor improvements increases greatly the importance of Wilmington as a port of entry. It is the most accessible and nearest point on the Atlantic coast for the largest portion of the State. The shortest route to tide water and the markets of the world is through this city for large sections of the country. In connection with this fact let us consider a few points.

Every bushel of cotton, bushel of wheat, or other product raised by the farmer, represents a certain value less cost of transportation to tide water. The cost comes directly out of the producer. Consequently every producer has an interest in being as near the markets of the world as possible, because his products are valuable to him in proportion to those markets.

It is to the interest of the people not only to have cheap transportation but to build up their own sea-port towns. This improves their home interest and lessens their taxes. As you increase facilities you increase business and at the same time lessen the cost of transportation.

These were the considerations that invoked the wisdom of our State to commence the noble enterprise of penetrating the mountains with the Western N. C. Railroad, which is being done with the money of the people of North Carolina. This enterprise has already cost our State a vast amount of money, and will necessarily cost considerably more to insure its completion. This cost, however, in our opinion, is money well spent, if the work is managed and operated in the interest of the people who own it, and will pay them back ten fold, (not in the interest of dividends, as railroads do not pay that way), but by giving facilities to our own citizens, lessening transportation charges, enhancing the value of real estate, building up our towns, and setting the machinery of commerce in motion.

But if the present policy is pursued and continued of using the property of the people of our State for the benefit of the people of adjoining States, to the exclusion of said owners (the people), then our citizens will be defrauded out of the principal benefits designed by the originators of this enterprise. It is time North Carolina had a sea-port town for North Carolinians, and if Wilmington is not the point designed by nature for that purpose, let us at once search the coast and find a better harbor for our State. Let us at once give our aid and support towards the building up of the same.

REPORT.

Of the Board of County Commissioners for Rowan County, Showing Receipts and Expenditures of the Board for fiscal year ending Dec. 1st, 1878.

To an't taxes collect'd as follows, \$11,651 93

Subject to credit for overcharge, insolvents, &c., about \$300 00

Net receipts, \$11,351 93

Claims Audited by the Board:

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PRICE CURRENT.

[Corrected by J. M. Knox & Co.]

COTTON—firm Middlings, 74 68

BACON, county, hog round, 6 6

CHICKENS—per dozen, \$1.50 to \$2.00

POTATOES, IRISH, 75

APPLES, dried, \$1.40

LIVER. This important organ weighs but about three ounces, and still in a living person (about three gallons) passes through it at least once every hour.

PRICE 25 CENTS AND \$1.00

LUNGS. The faculty of Consumption or Throat and Lung Disease, which sweep to the grave at least one-third of all men's victims, arises from the blood that enters from the lungs.

PRICE 25 CENTS AND \$1.00

BLOOD. Grave mistakes are made in the treatment of all diseases that arise from poison in the blood.

Wilmington Sun.

A Daily Democratic Newspaper of twenty-eight wide columns will be issued in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, on or about Thursday Morning, October 17, 1878.

SUFFICIENT CAPITAL. For all purposes, and it will use its money freely in furnishing the people of North Carolina with the latest and most reliable information on all subjects of general interest.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWSPAPER. THE WILMINGTON SUN will be furnished to subscribers at the following reasonable and uniform rates.

ADVERTISING. One square (ten lines) one time, \$1.00; two times, \$1.50; one week, \$3.00; one month, \$5.00; three months, \$7.50; six months, \$10.00; one year, \$15.00.

CORRESPONDENCE. Interesting correspondence solicited.

MARRIED. At Unity Manse, 19th Inst., by Rev. R. W. Boyd, Mr. W. M. Powers, and Miss Ellen S. Dewlar.

DIED. Near Mt. Vernon in Scotch Irish Township on the 10th of November, Mrs. BESSIE LOCKE, widow of GEORGE LOCKE, aged 78 years.

E. H. MARSH'S

MACHINE WORKS, SALISBURY, N. C.

Having my Foundry in readiness, I am now prepared to do all kinds of Casting in either Iron or Brass. All kinds of Engine and Boiler Work done with dispatch; also all kinds of Agricultural and Mining Machinery built or repaired to order.

A 16 Horse Portable Engine and Boiler for sale at Mr. shop. Work guaranteed, and at prices to suit the times.

JOHN P. WEBER, Practical Blacksmith and HORSESHOER.

SHOP connected with Brown & Verblin's Livery Stable. Repairs designs of Shoes, to suit any shape of foot. All shoeing scientific principles and WARRANTED. All kinds blacksmithing promptly done.

On and Off Slick as Grease! BOOTS, GAITERS, SHOES, SLIPPERS, &c.

W. M. EAGLE. Respectfully announces his continuance at his old stand in his old line, on Main Street, opposite Edmund's Drug Store.

Prices to Suit the Times. Cash orders by mail promptly filled.

FOUTZ'S HORSE AND CATTLE POWDERS. Are unexcelled for the cure and prevention of all diseases of horses and cattle.

J. D. McNEELY, Grocery, Produce and Commission MERCHANT.

Milking Machine. Will keep a small assortment of Family Groceries. Call and see him at his new stand, three doors below Klutz's Drug Store.

SALISBURY BOOK STORE. GEO. W. YOPP, Prop'r. (At McIntyre's Furniture Rooms.)

BRIGHT NEW BOOKS AT LOW PRICES. CALL AND SEE HIM.

OPUM FOR 1878. Don't neglect to call on C. Plyler at the Book Store for all kinds of Books wanted.

T. I. AYERS, MANUFACTURER OF FINE CIGARS, Salisbury, N. C.

BOOKS FOR A MILLION WOMAN. With Chapters on a complete W. C. system, Education, and all the latest and most reliable information on all subjects of general interest.

GET THE BEST. The Raleigh News. DAILY, one year, \$5.00; WEEKLY, one year, \$1.00.

United States Internal Revenue. Collector's Office, 6th District, N. C., STATESVILLE, Dec. 4th, 1878.

The following property having been seized for violations of the Internal Revenue laws, the owner thereof will appear before me, within thirty days from the date hereof, and make claim thereto according to provisions of Sec. 3460 R. S.; or the same will be forfeited to the use of the United States. About 27 gallons of Peach Brand, and 23 gallons of whiskey.