

LOCAL.

Nothing especially new in the markets.

Mr. Frank Williams of Davis, is still detained at the National Hotel in consequence of injuries sustained by being thrown from his buggy, but is still improving.

Our correspondent "M." of Woodleaf, must excuse us from the publication of his comment on the character of the discussion between "Teacher" and "B. O. T."

Some friends below town, (about Heilig's Mill,) have sent us communications to publish without accompanying them with a name known to us or giving reference.

GOING TO NEWTON.—Band No. 2 has been engaged to play at the Commencement exercises of Newton High School on the 20th May, instant.

MUSIC EXTRAORDINARY.—The Mendelssohn Quintette Club, to be here on the 17th (see advertisement) is the most distinguished combination of musicians in this or any other country.

POETRY.—Yes poetry. You will find some home made articles in this paper. The first by "Billy Sharpe's Brother," whose wagsish way is rather taking.

We regret to state that Mr. John Deaton, whose sickness was mentioned in our last, died on Saturday, mourned by numerous friends and acquaintances.

MONETARY.—Mr. H. Cook, of Davis, while in town Monday the 28th April, lost a small net purse, made of purple cotton yarn (home-made), containing two or three gold pieces and five or six silver pieces and some silver change.

ASSESSMENTS.—The Township Tax Assessors are issuing their notices for listing taxables. A more rigid rule will hereafter be enforced in respect to listing.

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Mr. Joel Reed is having stalls put up on his wagon lot in rear of his establishment.—Concord Sun.

Joel Reed is doing a clever thing for wagoners; and we take this occasion to remind the business men of Salisbury that they could not lay out a few dollars to better advantage than by providing for the comfort of wagoners and their teams stopping here over night.

The Local Option discussion which we have very willingly given place in our columns, is now becoming too personal. It has drifted away from the main and proper subject, and some of the contestants have gone to using cutting criticisms on each other's style, want of sense, judgment and taste.

SOUTH RIVER. A visit to Foard & Lindsay's Mill on South River, Tuesday, was a surprise and a plea sure.

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male and cover two rows at once, with another. Spring having fully opened, some people, as usual, have turned their cattle out to range in the commons and browse on the rich oak and hickory, and other "Foodsters" and it is pleasant when taking your noon siesta after a hard half-day's work to have to go out and turn fourteen head of strange cattle out of your own head.

But to be serious, it is a solemn thought that the "Man" who has the same idea when he asserts that a fool shall be known by his Friday in attacking Progress, is but another evidence that the fool-killing has not been informed of the local habitation of the weak-minded driver who appeared last week in the *Hatchman* under the cognomen of Saul. He evidently thinks he has capacity to rush into a mad race and appear to advantage; but so does the average lunatic think himself able to rule the destinies of empire.

Enochville Items. One day last week L. W. Stirewalt, a white man, and Andy Barnhart, a negro, were plowing in a field about a mile and a half from this place.

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The average republican thinks the Government owes him a living, and that he is a wronged fellow citizen if it is not paid to him in lands or money or negro votes. There was a rusty old chap (white) of this stripe in town on Monday for the purpose of applying to the County Commissioners for a pension, dating his claim back to 1812.

made bells of, not so much by the occasional drunken lapses of the husband, as by the—well, call it impolicy,—of the wife. His warm reception, when "disgraced" good humored but maudlin, in time bet "in his cups," an indisposition to go home and "face the music," and so prolongs his drinking until his finer sensibilities are entirely numbed and his coarse faculties fully braced up; and these fortified and expecting a conflict, he gets home and repays the furious invective of a distracted, pitiable but foolish wife by "making things lively" to the extent of breaking furniture, striking his wife, per- haps and even, in his roused insanity, driving wife and children out of doors.

A loving husband took his wife's best pitcher, at her request, to draw some cider. As he was going down the cellar steps, he slipped and in order to save the pitcher, injured himself considerably. While he was rubbing his skin very vigorously, his wife, thoughtful of his hurt, cried out, "Oh, mercy! have you broken the pitcher?" "No, says he, in great wrath, "but I'll be d—d if I don't!" and crash it went against the wall.

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CONSENSUS' Compound Honey of Tar has been so long and favorably known that it needs no encomium. For coughs, colds, sore throat, hoarseness, etc., it affords speedy relief, and is the most pleasant and efficacious remedy for and tar being two of its ingredients. The skill of the chemist, and the knowledge of a physi- cian were united in its preparation, the result being a compound which is the favorite remedy in this severe climate, and has no equal as a cure for coughs, colds, hoarseness, bronchitis, croup, etc. Use Consensus' Honey of Tar, Price 50 cents a bottle. For sale by C. R. Barker, Salisbury, N. C.

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THE SITUATION AT WASHINGTON.—L. Q. Washington telegraphs the following to the Louisville Courier-Journal on his opinions as to the result:

The situation can be summarized in the statement that, while the Democrats, as almost a universal rule, are solid, they are divided as to the different courses open to them. The one that will probably be adopted is to send to the President the repeal as independent measures, holding back the appropriations until he takes action upon these independent bills.

FEES OF COUNTY OFFICERS.—Attorney-General Kean has written in reply to a letter from Col. E. E. Moore, Solicitor of the Central Court of New Hanover county, expressing the opinion that the act of the General Assembly, passed at its last session, entitled "an act to regulate the fees of certain officers in Pitt county," applies in that county alone.

ENGLISH BANKS TAKING MORE AMERICAN SECURITIES.—London, May 3.—It is stated that the London and Westminster Bank yesterday took five million dollars of 4 per cent. bonds at 43 per cent. interest, making in all thirty-five million United States securities this bank has recently purchased.

Saturday last several hundred negroes met in Weldon to discuss the question of going to Kansas. Several speeches were made pro and con, and a committee was appointed to ascertain particulars and report.

Miss Thursby's success in Paris seems to have been phenomenal. She is mentioned in correspondence of English papers, as well as the local journals, with such enthusiasm as to justify the belief that Paris is not used to the musical excellence which America is accustomed to.

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