

LOCAL

NEW TERMS. From and after the 1st day of January...

Madame Ramor announces several marriages to take place soon.

A. C. Harris is manufacturing a real good cigar—without any adulteration—try them.

The gloomy weather has no effect on our young people—another candy pulling this week.

Some people disregard the necessity of sleep, as is avowed by some young ladies in this county.

We notice in the city, Mr. B. F. Rogers, formerly of Meroney's & Rogers, now "commercial tourist" for a New York House.

Lewis Vogler, of this place, has bought and sold up to this date, the present season, 20,000 rabbit skins.

This has been a remarkably quiet week in Salisbury—owing most probably to the bad condition of the roads.

A very pleasant conversational party, at Mrs. F. E. Shober's last Tuesday evening—orchestra music formed an attractive feature of the evening's programme.

C. R. Barker is having remarkable success with his Canary Birds.—He has a fine lot of imported birds on hand, and one nest of eggs in incubation.

IRISH RELIEF.—Persons in this community wishing to contribute to the relief of the suffering people of Ireland, may deposit their gifts with Messrs. Ross & Greenfield, who will give the business the necessary attention.

W. H. Kestler has improved his saloon by painting—also by putting on either side of the door elegant colored glass lamps.

His billiard hall, is also handsomely furnished.

Mr. Lee S. Overman, our legal friend, is well fixed in his office on Main Street, in the old Mansion House building.

We called on him late last evening and would have had a real social time if—he had been at home—but it was after office hours and we excused him.

DRAWING SCHOOL.—Mrs. J. J. Stewart will open a drawing school at her residence on Monday the 16th inst. Only a limited number of pupils will be taken—at usual rates.

Drawing is like music—those who have the talent should begin its cultivation early.

Knoxville Items.

Old winter made its appearance here last week. Snow and sleet fell to the depth of four inches, which gave our sportsmen a chance to amuse themselves shooting rabbits and birds for several days.

H. G. Overcash has retired from the firm of Lipe & Co., of this place. The remaining members of the firm (J. A. Lipe & H. M. Leazer) have bought Mr. O's interest and will continue to run their machinery here under the name of Lipe & Leazer.

They are enterprising, energetic men and will doubtless do a good business in the future as they have done in the past.

Dr. W. B. Ramsay, Dentist of Mooreville, was here again about two weeks ago. He got more work than he could do during his short stay. He will be here again in April, and we hope he will remain long enough to accommodate all who want his professional services.

Mr. Frank Blackwelder will teach a singing school here, commencing next Saturday. He has now a reputation as a teacher and will doubtless make much improvement on the singing here as he will find plenty of good material in this neighborhood.

The Flaggtown Letter.

They Marx in his com. to last Watchman dated Feb. 23, evinces eminent ability as a humorist, and a laudable desire to relieve his fellow men of "carking care," by relating their risibilities with very amusing persiflage.

He will therefore, I feel sure, excuse, perhaps relish a "small joke" at his own expense. His letter was evidently written on Sunday: "Well, what of it? Such Sunday work is far preferable and worthy of commendation and emulation, as compared with evil gossip, not to say slander and backbiting of their 'mutual friends,' by coteries of idlers after church service.

But though T. M. obviously writes and mails his letter on Sunday, he to save appearances, deferentially dates it a day or two later.

This appears in the closing sentence, in which he avers that "the weather is continuous mild and agreeable" while the fact was, that long before daylight on

Monday morning (the 2d) an arctic-like snow storm was "booming"! Ah, T. M. there is but one road ahead but many behind. If you had dated your letter a day back (Jan. 31st) the fat would now be in the pan, or the cat in the bag.

But we mind this "banter," nor the weather. To make so long as you keep pouring facts of your very acceptable wit on us.

Yours humorously, T. O. MARRKATE.

ROWAN COUNTY.

THE COURT HOUSE BUILT. The contract for building the Court House was taken by John Whitsett, the County Treasurer, but for some time it was not finished until 1756; at which time the court met in the building for the first time.

Before this time the Court probably met in private houses, or in the public room of some convenient Ordinary. At the second term of the Court, Oct. 1733, the justice of the peace, and the house of James Alexander, and at another time afterwards to Peter Aranda's (Earhardt's) Ordinary.

James Alexander seems to have been a resident of Salisbury, where he died in 1784. We conclude from this fact that the second term of the Court was held in Salisbury, and since the common good, pillery and stocks were already up and in use in 1734, we have conclusive evidence that the courts from and after that date, were held near these public buildings.

Tradition states that the old goal building was located at or near the site of the present old goal building, now standing at the north-west corner of Court and Liberty streets. Arrangements were early made to secure suitable lands for the

TOWNSHIP OF SALISBURY. At the Court in 1753, Edward Hughes, Esq., was appointed Trustee for Rowan County, and directed to "enter" forty acres of land, at the place selected for the "County Seat," and to sell that site as he saw fit.

The site was secured from Earl Granville's agents. At the same time John Dunn, Esq., and John Whitsett, the Treasurer, were directed to see that the land was laid off in a manner suitable for the purpose intended.

It appears that Mr. Hughes did not succeed in securing immediately, the forty acres required by the court, though some of the public buildings were at once erected. The deed for the Township lands is dated February the 11th, 1755. At that date William Churton and Richard Vigers, agents for Earl Granville, having received a grant from Francis Corbin, Granville's attorney—conveyed by deed six hundred and thirty-five (635) acres of land for Salisbury Township, to James Carter, Esq., and Hugh Foster, farmer, Trustees—including the land upon which the public buildings had been erected.

The deed for the following distances, viz: "Beginning at a point near the 'Public Square'—James Carter's corner, and running due East with James Carter's line, 66 chains; thence North 37 1/2 chains; thence West 103 1/2 chains; thence East 37 1/2 chains, crossing Crane Creek three times; thence North, 66 chains, crossing Crane Creek to the beginning." The Township lands, the streets and the streams are pretty fairly represented in the following diagram.

DEED MR. EDPORT.—Winter has come at last, in the way of a beautiful snow storm, to the very great delight of the small boys, thinking of long eared rabbits, snow-balling, skating, &c. To the grown-up ones, of the grand old times they are going to have sleigh-riding with their lady-birds, and they have certainly improved the opportunity for the sleigh-bells have been jingling all day long.

Since the dawn of this "New Year our 'City' has been fruitful only in common place events, nothing very striking. The young ladies and gentlemen had a "Leap Year" party which they all enjoyed; some of the fair ones taking exquisite delight in playing the agreeable to those favored beaux who had on former occasions been gallant to them, and taking equally as much in snubbing those who had been remiss in attentions. It was a consolation you know.

The blooming Misses and Young America also had several sociables. Business in a general way has been pretty brisk. The medical fraternity distressingly lull. The Spring term of our S. F. College opened under very flattering circumstances, it is growing more popular each year, and well deserving too, of the highest praise. You have sent us some girls from your section—hope you will continue to do so.

The terrible disease, the "Malignant fever," which has been raging to such an alarming extent throughout the whole country broke out here a few months since, and several of our young people have already fallen victims, and for "weal or woe" take the state of single bloodiness, and take discreetly, advisedly and in the fear of God. The whole town seems to be infected, and the symptoms are decidedly favorable for several more soon to join the "noble army of martyrs." May they never have cause to regret the "leap," which I have always heard comes to us from many a hen-pecked husband, and heart broken wife, escape, escape. May this new year be a happy and prosperous one for the Watchman.

A CONSTANT READER.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT AGAIN.—About 7 o'clock last night the city was illuminated in what appeared to most people a most unaccountable manner. At one moment the cupolas at the postoffice was bathed in a flood of light, the next moment St. Michael's stood out in bold relief, and a moment later the gilded cross on St. Philip's steeple seemed to be on fire. Mr. D. A. Schuyler, the agent of the United States Electric company, was testing the light on board the steamship City, Atlanta, to which reference has already been made. The light was flashed in every direction, casting a bright glare for miles, and rendering bays and ships in the harbor visible to the naked eye from the deck of the steamship. The display attracted quite a number of persons to the wharves. With the revolving electric light on board the officers of the City of Atlanta need fear no collision at sea.—Charlotte News and Courier, 7th.

Fell Forty Feet in a Mine—Nine Hours Under Ground. It was 7 o'clock yesterday morning when the workmen at the Radcliff mine went to the shaft to go down into the mine for the day. Just before they entered, one of the men heard a cry, the direction of which could not be determined. The noise appeared to come from one under the ground, but at the mouth of the shaft it was less distinct than at other points. Finally it was traced to an old, unused shaft, some distance off, and discovered to be the voice of a child. A rope was lowered and one of them went down. When he touched bottom the rope marked forty feet. "It's a little nigger, by the holy fathers!" was the exclamation that came up from the shaft, and shortly afterwards they drew up the rope at the end of which was fastened a small negro girl about 12 years old. She came up smiling, and when the rope was untied walked off without even limping, to the utter amazement of every one.

It seems that she is engaged as a servant at the house of one of the men, Mr. Taylor Hirst. The night before she went to a neighboring house, and about half past 9 o'clock started home, being accompanied by some one with a lantern nearly all way. When almost in sight of the house she lost her bearings, and wandering around among the piles of dirt, she slipped into the yawning chasm, and fell forty feet. "Where did you strike," said one of the men. "There," said the little girl, picking her hand on her hip. She soon afterwards ran off home, and suffered no ill-effects either from the fall or from spending nine hours under the ground. Her escape seems to be nothing short of miraculous.—Charlotte Observer.

A Large Fortune for a Female College. The will of Dr. Joseph W. Taylor, a prominent member of the Society of Orthodox Friends, who died recently in Burlington, N. J., has been admitted to probate. The estate is valued at \$5,000,000. Among the bequests are \$5,000 to Haverford College to be used as a professor's fund; \$3,000 to the Old Man's Home, Cincinnati; \$500 to each of the "six yearly meetings of Friends in Unity and correspondence with the London Yearly meeting, viz, Ohio, Indiana, Western Iowa, Kansas and North Carolina yearly meetings," to be used "for the circulation of the Holy Scriptures and for aiding First-day schools within their limits." Dedicating legacies, amounting to a comparatively small sum, he leaves all the remainder of his estate to a board of trustees, (of which Mr. Francis T. King and Dr. James Carey Thomas, of Baltimore, are named as members), for the establishment of a college or institution of learning, to have for its object the higher education of young women.

Too Much Sleep Injurious.—Too much sleep blunts the nervous system, impairs memory, enfeebles muscular energy, and is apt to produce inordinate fat. To sleep much is not necessarily to be a good sleeper. Generally they that are the poorest sleepers who remain longest in bed; that is they awaken less refreshed, than if the time of arising were earlier by an hour or two. While it is true that children and young people require more sleep than their elders, yet it should be the care of parents that over-indulgence be not permitted. Where the habit is for children to lie in bed until 8 or 9 in the morning, the last two hours at least do not bring sound dreamless sleep where the hour for retiring is 8 or 9 in the evening, but are spent in dozing, and in fact, such excess cannot fail to insure harmful results, and establish habits of indolence which last through a lifetime.

WOMEN OF PETROLEUM.—Stowell's "Reporter" gives some statistics of the petroleum business and production last year. The amount of crude petroleum produced was nearly 20,000,000 barrels, being 5,000,000 barrels in excess of any previous year. The shipment from the oil fields, was nearly 16,000,000 barrels leaving as stock on hand at the close of the year nearly 8,500,000 barrels, as against about 4,000,000 at the close of 1878. Three thousand and thirty-eight new wells were drilled in 1879.

COTTON AND TOBACCO COMMAND CASH, but without an abundant supply of corn the State cannot prosper. An agricultural people like ours, who have to rely to any extent upon distant communities for their breadstuffs and for the means of keeping their horses and stock of various kinds in good order, are certainly not in a way, by the distribution which they have made of their labor, to lay the foundation of a permanent prosperity. Make as much cotton and tobacco as possible, but let us make more breadstuffs. Cotton and tobacco do not always bring good prices. Broad and meat always pay even if they find no other market than that which is furnished by bellies of the men and horses engaged in producing them. Futures may do for cotton; the stomach's need is always now.—Hal's Weekly.

REACHING TO TEXAS.—St. Louis, Feb. 6.—A dispatch from Dallas, Texas, says reliable advices have been received there to the effect that Jay Gould and Thomas Scott, representing the Texas and Pacific and Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroads, have purchased all the outstanding bonds and securities of the Dallas and Wichita railroad which will be extended to connect with the Dennison and Pacific extension of the M. K. & T. R. R., thus making Dallas the terminus of the latter road, and establishing competing line with the Texas Central railroad.

The University has 170 students. The Raleigh post-office uses three-quarters of a ton of coal per day, so the News says. Fifteen guano companies have purchased licenses to sell within the limits of the State. Eighty-three sheriffs have settled in full, and nearly all the remaining eleven in part, with the State treasurer. Stock last was defeated in Monroe township last Thursday by a majority of 188, there being a full vote cast. The Observer says there are prospects of a water famine in Raleigh. Fifteen of the public wells are reported by the street commissioners to be dry. The forests of North Carolina produce twenty-two different kinds of oak, eight of pine, none of spruce, seven of magnolia, eight of hickory, and five each of elm and birch. Mr. C. C. Clawson, a young Raleigh genius, has invented a calculating machine, which he will soon have patented. He has patents already on several useful inventions. The Raleigh Observer states that letters are received by the commissioner of agriculture from abroad nearly every day, making inquiries as to lands, immigration, &c. Last week letters came from Italy, New South Wales, Switzerland and Scotland. An Italian wrote that he desired to secure a tract of land in the pine country, to which he could bring a large colony of Italians, skilled in the culture of grapes, and also growers of milk. Letters are received from all parts of the State daily, from parties wishing to register lands. During the past few days about 2,000 acres have been registered. The new plan takes well, and the results are gratifying. It is estimated that 50,000 men and women are employed in Philadelphia in the manufacture of clothing, making 20,000,000 suits a year. THE ETHERIC MAN AT A FIRE.—Coolness and prompt action in time of danger is a great thing. A volunteer fireman in New Hampshire entered a dwelling threatened with destruction, dashed up the stairs, threw a mirror and a lamp from an upper window on to the heads of the people below, took an axe and chopped six holes in a Brussels carpeted floor, jarring off the plastering below, broke a French clock on the mantel, then grabbed a feather-bed and carried it three-quarters of a mile to the bank and hauled up the cashier, to have him put the article in his safe, and then—the fire, which was in the woodshed, being extinguished—went home under the impression that he had rendered valuable aid and was a hero.—Boston Post.

INTEROCEANIC CANAL.—The select committee of the House on inter-oceanic ship canal met Friday and laid the foundation for a critical examination of the subject. A resolution was adopted calling on the President for all correspondence between this government and foreign countries relative to a ship canal; also a resolution providing for the collection of all possible statistics and data showing the present amount of commerce passing around Cape Horn, with a view of ascertaining approximately how valuable to the commercial interests of this country an inter-oceanic canal would be. Admiral Ammen appeared before the committee to-day furnishing them with a printed copy of his official report on the Nicaragua routes. He will come before the committee again and give his views upon the general subject more in detail.

TOBACCO IN BURMAH.—The Lancet publishes a letter of the late Professor Parkes, on the subject of smoking. In reference to the use of tobacco by young persons he says, it is curious in Burma to see children smoking in their mothers' arms; and yet when I was serving in Burma, many years ago, I often saw a woman walking along smoking her cigar of tobacco rolled up in a plaintain-leaf, and carrying on her hip her child two or three years old, who also had his or her little cigar, which was smoked with the greatest gravity. On the whole question the professor was unable to arrive at any positive conclusions; he, however, considered that the health would be undoubtedly impaired by excess, while moderate use was not harmful, except in youth.

MOTHER REMEMBER THAT NO Medicine cures, it simply assists nature in relieving itself of an unnatural condition of the system. Worms disengage—Shirley's Indian Vermifuge kills and drives them from the system, thus removing the cause of the disease. MARRIED. In this county, Jan. 29th, 1880, by Rev. Saml. Rothrock, Mr. George A. Host, and Miss Sarah E., daughter of George M. Fisher, Esq. In Mt. Ulla Township by J. K. Graham, Esq., on the 29th January, Mr. Richard A. Lyery and Miss Laura J. Sauter. MONTREAL HEARD FROM. R. L. Mosely, of Montreal, Canada, certified, Sept. 25, 1879, that he had suffered terribly from dyspepsia, and was completely cured by taking Warner's Safe Bitters. He says: My appetite is good, and I now suffer no inconvenience from eating hearty meals." These Bitters are also a specific for all skin diseases. Janticoatl PRICE CURRENT. [Corrected by J. M. Knox & Co.] February, 12 1880. Cotton—firm good Middlings, 12 1/2 Middling low do stains 10 1/2 11 1/2 Bacon, county, hog round 8 1/2 9 1/2 Butter— 10 1/2 11 1/2 Eggs 10 1/2 11 1/2 Chickens—per dozen \$1.50 \$2.00 Corn New 60 61 1/2 Wheat—moderate demand at 1.25 @ 1.30 Flour—best fam. extra 3.75 3.50 POTATOES, IRISH super. 8.25 6.00 ONIONS—no demand 50 50 LARD 8 1/2 9 1/2 HAY 50 50 OATS 45 @ 55 20 @ 21 1/2 BREWERY 6 @ 7 1/2 BLACKBERRIES 5 @ 6 1/2 APPLES, dried 5 @ 6 1/2 SUGAR— 10 @ 12 1/2 Chew Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco BUSINESS LOCALS. NOTICE! Monday Night, 16th, Salisbury Lodge K. O. H. will hold an important meeting. Every member should be present. REVISOR. 17:16 DON'T FORGET IT COME AND GET YOUR Photographs. C. W. C. WOOLWINE, PHOTOGRAPHER. Just received at A. C. HARRIS a fine lot of No. 1 CIGARS and FANCY CANDIES. FOR SALE VERY LOW—A good new built Harness—can be seen at W. M. Barker's shop. For terms apply to H. M. Jones or J. D. Gaskill. TIME TABLE WESTERN N. C. RAILROAD GOING WEST. Salisbury 6:05 A. M. Third Creek 6:59 7:25 Elmwood 7:55 Stateville 8:11 8:46 Catawba Station 9:57 10:10 Conover 10:10 Hickory 10:39 11:22 Morganton 12:02 12:09 P. M. Glen Alpine 12:35 12:57 Bridgewater 1:41 1:48 Marion 2:41 2:48 Oak Port 3:01 3:08 Swannanoa Gap 3:46 3:49 Black Mountain 4:01 4:08 Cooper's 4:16 4:23 New Hope 4:33 4:40 Bridgewater 4:56 5:03 Marion 5:13 5:20 Oak Port 5:27 5:34 Swannanoa 5:52 6:00 Black Mountain 6:16 6:24 Cooper's 6:30 A. M. GOING EAST. Salisbury 4:10 P. M. Third Creek 3:30 3:07 Elmwood 2:46 2:46 Catawba 1:51 1:56 New Hope 1:24 1:31 Bridgewater 1:25 1:32 Marion 1:45 1:52 Oak Port 2:02 2:09 Swannanoa 2:32 2:39 Black Mountain 3:00 3:07 Cooper's 3:16 3:23 Train going West will breakfast at Stateville and dine at Hickory. Train going East will breakfast at Hickory and dine at Stateville. J. W. WILSON, President. HALE'S WEEKLY. On Tuesday, the 7th day of October, 1879, and in the City of Raleigh, the undersigned will commence the publication of HALE'S WEEKLY, A NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPER. These four words convey all that a colonist of Progress could tell: the good of the State; the success of the party which is the life of the State and the country; the publication of all the news; these the objects proposed. That he can do the last and contribute to the first and second, the subscriber does not affect to dispute. The people have set their seal of approval upon his past, and he does not doubt the future. HALE'S WEEKLY will be printed from new and beautiful type and on fair white paper. The price will be two dollars per annum. No advance will be upon its mail books without pay; no paper will be sent after expiration of the time paid for. P. M. HALE. Raleigh, Sept. 15, 1879. NOW IS THE TIME TO SUBSCRIBE FOR THE WATCHMAN Also various other blanks.

BURIAL CASKETS!

I have just received and have on exhibition in the Room Above the Haystack Store of Messrs. Crawford & Taylor a very Handsome Assortment of Burial Caskets to which public attention is invited. THEY ARE OF VERY NEAT STYLES, Carefully Made and of various Grades. Will be sold low. Persons wishing anything of the kind should call and see them. I am prepared to Undertake and furnish everything required. Special attention to Preserving Bodies from Discoloring. I have had much personal experience in this line and feel sure of giving satisfaction. C. W. C. WOOLWINE. Nov. 25, 1879. 66m

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Has the exclusive sale of this celebrated Cook Stove and they are going off like hot cakes. JUST RECEIVED, Saplin Clover, Red Clover and Orchard Grass, Seeds. Come and buy before they rise. At ENNIS' Drug Store. NOTE PAPER, LETTER PAPER, Envelopes, Lead Pencils, Pens, Slates, Red, Black, Violet, Blue and Indellible Inks, Copy, Memorandum and Pocket Books, cheaper than ever known before at ENNIS'. TO ARRIVE A lot of School Books will be sold very cheap at ENNIS'. VISITING CARDS, PLAYING CARDS, Chalk Crayons, Russian Bath Soap, Carbolie Soap, Sulphur Soap, Vaseline Soap, Rose Baby Soap, Alabaster Soap, Tooth Brushes, Hair and Nail Brushes, Combs and Fine Combs very low at ENNIS'. 71c. A FINE JERSEY BULL at my stable. A rare chance to cross your stock with the very best, which all ought to embrace. C. FLYLER. 63m.

