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THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1881.

NEW TERMS.

From and after the 1st day of January, 1881, the subscription price of the *Watchman* will be as follows:

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A Canadian was here last week looking up lands—his purpose being to colonize a lot of Canadians.

The Salisbury band, assisted by several parties from Charlotte, have gone to Spartanburg S. C., to make music for the Wofford College exercises.

Mr. Gilbert Brandreth, formally assistant engineer at the Crowell mine, has gone North to take charge of a steam Yacht on the Hudson.

The brick work on Capt. Crawford's new store has been completed. The decorated front is about finished—it is a handsome structure.

DEAD MULE.—A mule died in this city last Tuesday night. This is the first mule that ever died and therefore we note it. Mules never die—this one kicked himself to death.

The train on the Western Road ran over the French Broad to Richmond Hill, beyond Asheville, last Tuesday. Iron is being put down with all possible speed.

DIED—At her home in this city, on the 9th inst., of typhoid pneumonia and consumption, Mrs. JENNIE S., wife of Mr. C. J. Miller, aged 44 years, 7 months and 25 days.

Are the people of Salisbury to have a 4th of July this year? From indications the weather will be warm enough. Get up something and have the old County stirred up once more.

The fifth annual convention of the Y. M. C. A., which meets in Statesville to-day, is attended by the following representatives from Salisbury: J. A. Ramsay, R. M. Davis, W. W. Gales, A. M. Young. The convention will adjourn Sunday.

The Commissioners have ordered every thing, from a goods box up, off the streets. They also have men cutting down all the weeds and grass off the less frequented streets. This is all well, and will prevent visitors from commenting unfavorably of the town—which has, in time passed, been done.

Mr. Theo. F. Klattz has been invited to make an address to the people of Mt. Airy, on the fourth of next month. This gentleman made quite a name as a speaker during the campaign of '80, and will doubtless be frequently called on by the good people of the west.

NEW OFFICES.—Mr. Macmurdo showed us the plan for the new railroad offices to be erected at the depot, which will be headquarters for the Western N. C. Railroad. It is to be a brick edifice, two stories high and will front two ways. It will be finished in modern style with all the conveniences of closets, bath-rooms, &c. It will front to the Mt. Vernon Hotel on one side, and the railroad on the other.

CHURCH FESTIVAL.—The ladies of the Methodist E. Church gave a festival in the Opera Hall, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, the object being to assist the church. In the hall five bowers were constructed, from which the ladies sold ices and sweetmeats. Mrs. J. F. Ross, Mrs. Thos. Murphy, Miss Mamie Mock, Miss Marsh and Miss Warner, furnished the vocal and piano music. The regular band being away, a band of six mouth pieces and drums was improvised, and occupied the stage both evenings.

The entertainment was both pleasant and profitable—the receipts of the first evening was over a hundred; and the second, about seventy-five dollars.

ESCAPED.—Coroner Atwell was called to the country last week to look into the cause of the death of Frank Ellis' wife, it having been reported that she died of poisoning. After examination, he thought it best to extract the stomach and have it analyzed. He then arrested Ellis, and they were riding to town together, when the negro made a sudden jump, attempting to spring from the buggy. The Coroner seized him by the coat sleeve—the horse being in a brisk trot—but the negro slipped his feet out, and was drug some thirty yards, when his coat tore off him. The horse became unmanageable during the scuffle, which prevented the coroner's securing his man. He however had half his coat and a large bit of his shirt, which he retained in his grip. Just here Dr. Dorset rode up and jumping off his horse made a lively race with the negro to a fence, where he overtook him. Tableau No two. The negro on one side of the fence, hanging by what remained of his shirt, and the Dr. on the otherside, or rather laying on the fence holding to the shirt which held the negro. By this time the Coroner had subdued the horse and was coming to the Doctor's assistance, when the shirt gave way and the negro skipped, made from the waist up; the Dr. retaining the shirt.

"WINE OF CARDUI" four times a day makes a happy household.

At Theo. F. Klattz.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

T. K. BRUNER, MANAGER.

Mining Men and Capitalists in the City this Week.

W. I. Smart, M. E., Boston.

F. H. King, of California.

W. B. Parrell, New York.

S. D. Jones, New York.

B. Davis, engineer, New York.

N. B. McCanless, Sam Christian Mine.

E. A. Allen, New York.

Thos. J. Quimby, Costoreka, Central America.

S. W. Kirk, Philadelphia.

Chas. Alden, W. A. Collins, and H. A. Collins, Perth Amboy N. J.

GOLD HILL.

Messrs. Walter Tregellis, Wm. Treloar, H. B. Snells and J. D. Snells, all of England, are here Mr. H. B. Snells is here to examine the titles of the property, which are to be made over this week, Mr. Treloar is to have charge of the work. He has had a deal of experience, having superintended mining in Brazil for thirty years.

The English Company who have bought Gold Hill have an ample capital at their back and they propose to work the property on a very large scale.

They will put in all new machinery, and devote the first few months to clearing the mines of water. As soon as they have taken out two hundred feet of water, they will put on a mining force.

To start with, they will build a forty stamp battery, and Mr. Tregellis says that as soon as the water is out they will increase it to one hundred strong. On being asked how many hands would be employed, he said: "We will start with a small force, but as soon as the way is clear we will run from eight hundred to one thousand hands. We cannot afford to run on a small scale, it pays better to run it strong."

MINING IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

On a flying trip to Charlotte, we found the mining interest lively, with prospects of far more animated life during the coming fall. There were capitalists and experts there, and the local mining men were showing them what was to be seen.

In that county, the Reed mine, the Maxwell, the Henderson, the Ray, the McDonnell, (or F. Wilson), the Howell, the Smart, the Black, the Isenhour and the Radesall are all in active operation.

At the Radesall, they have re-set the boiler, re-built pump-bob and otherwise renovated the plant. The development is about to be pushed deeper—below the 200 foot level. This property is now worked by the new management of Smart and McDowell, under whose enterprising and energetic superintendence it is anticipated that the mine will be rendered more productive than at any time during its former history.

Besides these mines, the Adams smelting and reduction works are going up; Chas. E. Roberson's New York milling and smelting works, Pretcher & Tucker's clorination works, and Smart & McDowell's works, eight miles from Charlotte, are ready for work. To keep all these works busy it will require the working of more of Mecklenburg's mines, and by-the-way, there is no less than about fifty properties of more or less mineral value in that County.

Our party spent an hour at the old Ray mine, now known as the BALTIMORE AND N. C. COPPER AND GOLD MINING COMPANY.

This property comprises about 300 acres, lying seven miles southeast of Charlotte. The company have done very little work on top—the buildings having a rather dilapidated appearance.

They are working ores lifted from three shafts, all of which are over one hundred feet down. There is about 45 feet of stoping under ground. The product is known as 'brown ore,' carrying more or less sulphurets.

The superintendent, a Mr. James Robinson, estimates the ores at $166,00 per ton. This struck us as being rather over estimated, though some of the ore may have assayed that much. He said that from about twelve tons of ore he took one thousand pennyweights, and that he was satisfied he lost half, which was washed away in the sulphurets.

The old "copper shaft," looks as though it had been abandoned for years; but we were told that it was to be re opened in a short time. Some of the ores from the shafts now being worked show copper.

They have a sixty-horse engine and large boilers. With this power they run the hoist, and the two pumps which drain the mine, and a five stamp mill and amalgamating machinery.

The mine has the appearance of being a valuable one—there being about a hundred tons of fair ore on the dumps.

The superintendent was not the least bit communicative and refused any particular information, except that "he was a scotchman, and that those not acquainted, could not tell him from the common workmen, as he was a worker himself, &c." To us the distinction was in favor of the common workmen. However, his egotism and impoliteness does not affect the mine, which is a good one and should have better management.

A very large number of colored men from this section exodusted on yesterday's train to Georgia and South Carolina, to work in shingle swamps and in turpentine distilleries.—*Nut Shell.*

FARMS AND FARMING.

GOOD, bad and indifferent are terms which apply as well to the modes of farming as to other operations in the industrial pursuits of men. Comparisons are said to be odious, but as a general thing we have no other rule by which to determine relative values. Silver is more valuable than copper, and gold than silver. Corn is worth more than oats and wheat than corn. And thus by the same rule we have different grades of results from similar operations whether on the farm or in the factory or workshop. But these are old truths, learned by observation if they were not taught us by the oldest books in the world. According as you sow so shall ye reap, is an axiom of common sense as well as of scriptural authority. It is therefore a law. No man can change or evade it, and every attempt to do either will end in failure and disappointment.

Such were some of the reflections which occurred to us on Monday while viewing the farms in that portion of the county lying between Salisbury and the neighborhood of Thyatira church. In a ride of from 12 to 14 miles many a farm came in sight; and although not a practical farmer, yet lonelness for the pursuit and some years of observation, compelled us to a verdict on the kind of farming practiced on each farm as it came in view. Sometimes the scene of growing crops was delightful, even in the midst of severe drought. But the next farm, on the contrary, was distressing to the eye which turned from it with weariness. The same general character of soil identified the two places, yet how amazing the contrast in the results of the different processes employed to produced a crop.

It is not supposed that the time will ever come when farmers, even on adjacent tracts, will agree in all points on the processes to be employed on a given crop. It is not necessary that they should so agree; but he whose methods results in the most profitable returns for the labor expened, wins the race and has the right to claim the victor's crown. It is no mean distinction either—no small prize. It is not a thing of an hour, nor of months, but of years. The really good farmer leaves an inheritance of distinction to his children, which they will delight to emulate and transmit. His descendants succeeding him as farmers, and even in other pursuits, experience the benefits of a high parental example which will generally inspire them to high aims and worthy deeds. The human race, in farming more especially, is prone to travel in ruts, and do things thus and so, "because father did so." Few take the time to study any of the labors which occupy their hands, but perform them as they were taught. Hence the great value of a man who seeks to know the reason of things, and steadfastly adheres to the practice of true principles because they are true, and will not depart from them because other ways are easier or less costly. The cheapest is rarely the best. Lands which have cost the most in improvements yield the largest per cent., other things being equal. The more thorough the preparation and tillage the more sure the crop; while the easy-going haphazard mode rarely surprises any one more than the trifler who builds his hopes too largely on the soil and the seasons.

The stock law is in force in all that part of the county through which we travelled on Monday. Some whose farms lie along the road, cultivate the old fence rows out to the road ditches. Others have taken away their fences and left the briars and sprouts to grow up as a sort of wall between the fields and the road. Of the two the former seems to be the wiser, for he gets the benefit of eight or ten feet of good land heretofore covered by the fence.

The crops were generally looking much better than was expected Cotton is well advanced, and the dry weather has given plenty of time to clean and bring to a stand. Wheat is also very fine: large heads well filled, though a little shorter in the stalk than usual. Oats in full head but short, even on good lands. Corn just beginning to twist. The hot sun and dry winds of Sunday and Monday had a marked effect upon this crop, though good farmers readily assented that it has not yet suffered any important damage.

Persons who seldom travel the Lincoln road from this place would be obliged to see some notable changes on that part of the Caldwell tract beyond the creek; and on the lands above the old Macay mill pond, now the property of T. J. Meroney. By-the-way, "Tom" has taken in a piece of new ground lying on the road—listed it and planted it in corn. It is a curiosity to the farmer eye—a sight!—But he rarely fails to do what he attempts, so it will be well enough to wait on that experiment of his Mr Geo. Pinkston has been moving up things on the Lowery tract, in building tenant houses and working up the old fields. The old place is visibly brightning. Mr. Jas. F. E. Brown is also doing an admirable work in redeeming wornout lands, and otherwise displaying intelligent skill as a farmer So also is Mr. Thomas Watson, laboring up through heavy and repeated misfortunes by fire, bearing his burden with manly courage. James McConnaughey ("curly-headed Jim") has done a good work on the old farm of the late John McConnaughey. He has cleaned out about fifty acres of buttonwood bottom on the branch beyond the dwelling, above and below the road, which has at least doubled the value of his property. The next notable improvement is a handsome two story parsonage near the old Sloan residence, in front of Thyatira church The congregation of this ancient place have done themselves much credit of late years in building a very nice brick house of worship, and providing so well for their pastor, the Rev. J. A. Ramsay.

But the occasional traveler of this road would probably feel more interest in the improvements made by Mr. J. S. McCubbins on the valuable property known formerly as the Dr. Sam'l Kerr estate. He would see on his left, where the mill pond once stretched far away beyond the range of the eye a field of waving corn; and on his right a wider and far reaching spread of bottom land, all in excellent condition and giving promise of a rich harvest. The mill continues to run, even more briskly than before, but not at the sacrifice of valuable lands covered by a mill pond. The water is conveyed by a canal 1½ miles in length, securing a better power at less expense. The almost countless shocks of wheat thickly studding the fields of the higher grounds indicate the superior skill of the manager of this property. Here, as on the adjoining farm, (owned by Mr. J. M. Harrison) 20 bushels of wheat and 40 of corn, to the acre, is the lowest average, but it often goes above it. Mr. Harrison has a 30 acre upland field in corn from which, with a favorable season, he expects 50 bushels. It is old land, for ten years past in wheat and clover, and now comes forth as fresh and blooming as a bride. Wheat and clover are his main dependence in redeeming and keeping up lands. The novice in farming could not spend time to better advantage than by visiting these, and some other farms in the bounds of Thyatira congregation, to study the methods practiced on them; for grand results being an argument they certainly attest the skill there practiced.

But we must close, and in doing so must acknowledge the politeness and hospitality of Dr. J. B. Gaither and lady, who did so much to make our visit in the neighborhood a refreshing and delightful treat.

For the Watchman.

DRUNKENNESS A CRIME.

Many causes conspire to make men say and advocate measures which when properly understood have no foundation in right and justice. Evils exists and legislation is required, and passion and interest array themselves in opposition to what is the best interest of the community. All reforms beget opposition, and as it interests large classes of men the opposition becomes in proportion more and more violent.

The temperance question has engaged the thoughts of men from time immemorial. Many solutions have been proposed for the enforcement of it, and hence every one should give the same careful thought to rid society of the greatest curse that ever afflicted the human family. No tongue can express the evils of intemperance, and hence all should reflect upon measures for the eradication of it. Christianity and civilization both stand arrayed against it, for reasons obvious to every reflecting mind. That intemperance is a crime no one will deny, as all the great writers on law treat the question as settled beyond controversy." Blackstone in his Commentaries, 4th book, says that drunkenness is a crime and no excuse, for one crime cannot be privileged by the commission of another. The legislature has the right to suppress this as any other violation of law; and the exercise of this clear and undoubted constitutional authority, ought to do so, as much so as arson, robbery, burglary, or any other crime or misdemeanor. No sane reflecting man can gainsay the above proposition; and no more cause of complaint can justly be made against the late prohibition law than any constitution law ever passed by any legislature at any time; and here we might let the matter rest. We could say more and will do so, as the subject demands a full and free discussion, and the friends know that the best interests of society are advanced by temperance, will avail themselves of all constitutional measures to secure the same. We cannot do justice to the subject in this essay, but we will express our opinion more at large in a future article, and prove that the cause is just and will ultimately prevail.

The recent manifesto put forth by the anti-prohibitionists will be replied to and its reasons and conclusions will be shown to have no foundation except in a distempered imagination. It will be the duty of the next legislature to pass an astringent prohibition law without submitting the same to the people for ratification, and in so doing will meet the approval of the moral power of the State.

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For the Watchman.

Rowan Teachers' Institute.

The following arrangements have been perfected concerning the Institute for the teachers of Rowan County:

It will be held at Salisbury, in the new Graded School Building during the first two weeks of August. It will be under the supervision of the County Superintendent. Its exercises will be conducted by Prof. N. C. English, Principal of the Graded School at Greensboro. Prof. English is thoroughly posted in Normal and Institute work, and is now engaged in conducting the State Normal School at Newton. He will be assisted by a corps of able instructors in the various common school branches, and every effort will be made to render the Institute both interesting and instructive. Special arrangements will be made for the entertainment of teachers from the country, and we think that any teacher will be enabled to avail himself of the benefits of the Institute at the nominal cost of five or six dollars, in some cases, even less.

All teachers, both male and female, and all proposing to teach, are entitled to its privileges. The new School Law says, that all public school teachers shall be *required* to attend.

A fuller announcement may be expected in a few days. I shall consider it a favor if some teacher, or School Committeeman, or any one interested in education in each township, will at once forward me the names and addresses of the teachers, or those intending to teach, in that township.

GEO. R. MCNEIL,
Co. Supt. Pub. Instruction.

Wood Leaf, June 13, 1881.

Mt. Ulla Prohibitionists.

The Prohibitionists of Mt. Ulla met pursuant to adjournment on Saturday, 11th inst. Quite a large number of the citizens were present and with them some of Mt. Ulla's fairest ladies to cheer them on by their smiles and presence to the approaching battle against king alcohol.

Rev. J. A. Ramsay moved that the action of last meeting to organize permanently by a limited committee be rescinded, and the meeting resolved itself into a committee of the whole for that purpose. W. L. Kistler was chosen President, J. T. Ray and Rev. G. J. Murray, Secretaries.

Rev. J. A. Ramsay, and S. C. Rankin (white), Andy Gillespie and James Rankin (colored), Vice Presidents.

The following gentleman compose the Executive Committee: J. K. Graham, J. K. Goodman, S. A. Lowrance, Rev. V. Stickly, J. C. Gillespie, Phi. Alexander, J M Harrison, Jas. Kestler (white), Henry McNeely, Cowan Gillespie, Gabriel Kerr, Ransom Miller and R A Kerr (colored).

On motion, Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Rev. J. G. Murray and J. C. Rankin was appointed a committee on by-laws.

An address was then delivered by Rev. J. A. Ramsay with telling effect upon all who heard him. Also remarks by the President and others. The meeting then adjourned to meet on Saturday, the 2nd day of July, at 2 o'clock, P. M., at which time there will be addresses delivered by prominent speakers, and all are earnestly requested to come.

J. T. RAY, } Secretaries.
J. G. MURRAY. }

LYNCHING A MURDERER IN ARKANSAS.—Little Rock, June 14.—A special from Russelville, Ark., says: Last night between 12 and 1 o'clock an armed crowd of 25 men, thought to be from Franklin county and to be friends of the murdered woman, Mrs. Emery, took possession of Dover, Pope county jail, and hung Col. Emery, the murderer, whose death sentence Gov. Churchill a few weeks ago commuted to 20 years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. Emery resisted and was shot in the head. It is supposed he was dead when hung. This was the third attempt to lynch him. He had been found guilty of the murder of his wife and sentenced to be hung, but Gov. Churchill commuted his sentence as above stated.

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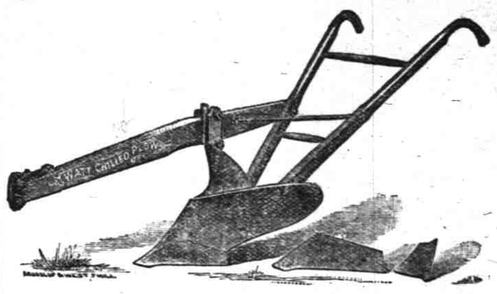

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9 00		Elmwood	3 42	
9 22		Statesville	3 21	
10 10		Catawba	2 35	
10 58		Newton	1 49	
11 11		Conova	1 36	
11 37		Hickory	12 51	1 11
12 14 p m		Icard	12 15 p.m	
12 51		Morganton	11 40	
1 13		Glenn Alpine	11 20	
1 28		Bridgewater	11 07	
2 09		Marion	10 29	
2 58		Old Fort	9 47	
3 05	3 30	Henry	9 37	
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