

LOCAL

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1883.

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The young people of Salisbury enjoyed a May day picnic last Tuesday, at Dutch Creek mines.

Doctors J. J. and E. M. Summerell have opened their office on the corner of Main and Bank Streets—below the Boyden House.

The cold rain on Tuesday spoiled the pleasure of several picnics, fishing parties and a May-pole dance.

The Lutheran Church building has been condemned—the congregation have no pastor at present and are worshipping with other denominations until arrangements can be made.

The annual party and commencement of Yadkin Mineral Springs Institute comes off on the 24th of this month.

The washrooms and rest-rooms on the West-end road are all repaired so that the trains are now running as usual.

Remember that to-night the Democrats of Salisbury are to meet and nominate candidates for the ensuing municipal election.

Annual School Picnic.—It is supposed that the place of holding this picnic will be changed to some more convenient and pleasant location.

STATESVILLE.—Our neighboring town has on its best looks now. New stores, freshly painted residences, road clean streets, prosperous, live merchants.

"People's Convention." A body proclaiming themselves as above met in Meroney's Hall, Monday evening to nominate a candidate for Mayor and Board of Commissioners.

Capt. J. A. Ramsay, M. L. Bean and G. A. Bingham were put in nomination for Mayor. Ramsay received about 75 votes, Bingham 1, and Bean 0.

The following were nominated for the Board of Commissioners, viz: North Ward—J. M. McCorkle, C. E. Mills.

West Ward—S. H. Wiley, M. L. Bean. South Ward—J. C. Horak, P. N. Smith. East Ward—John Snider, A. Parker.

MAG. PARTER, a colored woman living near China Grove, 11 o'clock, a. m., on Monday last. She was a washer and ironer and went to China Grove that morning to get the dirty clothes of one or two customers she had at that place, and was returning to her home with the clothes tied in a bundle and carried on her head.

As a suggestion to the Democratic voters of Salisbury, on this eve of their meeting to nominate candidates for Mayor and Board of Commissioners, would it not be well to consider the one question which is of more vital interest to taxpayers than all others, viz: securing proper men to entrust with, and to insure an economical disbursement of, the town's finances?

On the 1st of May, 1878, when the old board of the preceding year retired, it left a debt of about \$4,000, and had during its term levied a tax of 50 cents on the \$100 worth of property, and the highest limit allowed in the charter on the poll.

On the 1st of May, 1879, a new Board of Commissioners was elected with P. N. Heilig as Mayor, and one among the first acts of this board was to lower the taxes about 20 per cent; and, notwithstanding the consequent reduction of the town's finances, they did fully as much work on the streets as ever done; added several improvements to the town; and at the end of their administration had reduced the debt to about \$1,100.

We are reliably informed that the debt of the town prior to 1881 was over \$6,000 and the present board has reduced the debt to less than \$4,000, besides keeping up all the ordinary expenses of the town, and supporting the Graded schools, which cost nearly \$2,000.

The Colored Graded School has not been run because they had no building. Their part of the school fund has been accumulating until they now have enough to their credit to buy a lot and build a good school house.

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, at Franklin in this county, was dedicated on Last Sunday. Rev. T. W. Dosh, D.D. of Salem, Va., and Rev. Mr. Davis, of Mt. Pleasant, N. C., assisted in the solemn and impressive ceremony.

QUEER EGGS.—A lady in Salisbury has a hen which lays crooked eggs—they are kidney shaped, and a little longer than ordinary eggs. The hen has laid half dozen so far, all of this curious shape.

Shad have been quite abundant this spring in the fisheries along the Yadkin River—the high water has enabled them to escape the wire nets at the State line.

We have had cool nights and mornings this week, but no frost to hurt. There is a good fruit prospect.

Dr. Doss, well and favorably known in this community, will preach at Meroney's Hall, Sunday next. Services to commence at 10 1/2 o'clock, A. M.

CHEAP.—We are prepared to print business cards on envelopes, No. 6, superior quality, and supply the envelopes, all for \$2.50 per thousand. 500 for \$1.50.

LIPE'S CLUB.—The 5th of June next is the beginning of the new club year, and all persons desirous of entering this club would do well to see Mr. Wm. A. Lipé before the above date.

MR. EDITOR: Our spring examination is over. There were 34 applicants, including both races, to whom 228 second and third grade certificates were issued.

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MINING.

T. K. BRUNER, MANAGER.

Mining in Catawba County. Shuford Gold Mine.

The Shuford Gold mine, five miles southeast of Catawba, on the Western N. C. Railroad, is the only mine in active operation in the county.

This mine has been worked for years—long before the war—and has always had a reputation for producing free gold in paying quantities.

Work will be resumed on copper veins, and ore, which is of high grade, will be shipped. Nothing as yet has been decided as to the gold veins. Prospects of company are good.

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We invite the investigation of Mine owners and Mill-Men seeking MACHINERY. We can furnish on board at our Works, or set up at the mines anywhere in the southern gold region, on short notice.—STEAM PUMPS, STAMP MILLS, (for wet or dry crushing), REVERBERATORY FURNACES, CONCENTRATING MACHINERY, REVOLVING ROASTING FURNACES, ROLLS, CRUSHERS, CONVEYORS AND ELEVATORS, HOISTING ENGINES, BELT AND FRICTION HOISTERS, WIRE ROPE, RETORTS