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LOCAL.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—D. Z. Gray and L. D. Hargrave, Executors' sale of land; Hankins Bro's & Co., opening tobacco warehouse; Blood Balm Co., "Shaky;" N. Y. Observer, new inducements to subscribers.

The banks will be closed on Thanksgiving day.

The town clock is an unreliable time piece just now.

Porkers are begining to squeal these cool mornings.

Large congregations at the various churches last Sunday.

There are a number of visiting sportsmen here just now.

A new and very large sign adorns the office of the *North Carolina Herald*.

The Lutheran congregation will hold regular services at the Hall next Sunday.

The new bridge over Grant's creek has been completed, so says Bride Commissioner Robinson.

Mr. Loper, the new merchant, is getting into his quarters in the Crawford building.

The Court-House is being repaired. It is in good time. Fix it well while it is being done.

A bear, horn, and man formed a trio on the streets yesterday which was the delight of the small boy.

Mr. Hardy Hicks was married last night, in High Point, to Miss Phylena Mendenhall.

The Pleasure Club was organized last week. Capt. Theo. Parker was elected president.

Beall, Bost & Foard are building a prize house in connection with their Tobacco Warehouse.

All the saloons in town close for Thanksgiving day—from Wednesday night to Thursday morning.

Maj. Pres. Smith has barchased the dwelling on Corner Curch and Monroe Streets, now occupied by Prof. Kizer.

Wm. Gales is fixing up a store room two doors above the Post Office, where he will soon open a stock of groceries.

Services will be held at the Presbyterian church on Thanksgiving day, Rev. Dr. Rumple officiating at eleven o'clock.

The troupes that have visited Salisbury this season, expressed themselves as satisfied with the patronage given them.

Trade on Saturday last was very good. There were crowds of people here from Rowan and adjoining counties trading.

Cal. Earnhart brought two fine wild gobblers to town yesterday. He is a good shot and understands the wild turkey's habits.

Mr. Medernach has moved his picture gallery, temporarily, to 2d story rooms near Capt. Wms. Brown's tin and copper warerooms.

The ladies of the Methodist congregation here have made their much beloved pastor, Rev. Jos. Wheeler, a present of a handsome overcoat.

The Gordon case, suit against the Western N. C. Railroad, has been continued. It was to have been tried at this term of Iredell Court.

The Warner suit against the same Road will probably be tried at this term of Rowan Court.

The W. N. C. R. R. now runs an accommodation passenger car with the regular freight train, leaving here at 6:30, a. m., and arriving at 7:30 p. m.

The Salisbury Choral Union now has a membership of eighteen. The next regular meeting will be held at the residence of Mr. A. J. Mock.

Many of the friends of Steele Culbertson, Esq., were glad to see him on the streets last week. He had not been to town for five years previous to this time.

E. C. Miller has started a free delivery wagon in connection with his grocery store. Some wealthier business houses might do well to copy the good example.

W. B. Longworth, agent for J. D. Linley & Co., nurserymen, Greensboro, N. C., is today delivering fruit trees from Beall, Bost & Co's Tobacco Warehouse.

There will be no services at the Methodist church on Thanksgiving day. The pastor will be in attendance upon Conference at Charlotte all of next week.

Several gentlemen from Statesville came down on Saturday afternoon to attend the performance given by the "Standard Dramatic Company" on that night.

A DUTY.—The surviving members of the First Regiment of N. C. Volunteers should erect a monument here to the memory of their gallant commander, Col. Charles Fisher, who fell at the first battle of Manassas, in July 1861. Who of that regiment will take the lead in this matter?

Let a policeman be stationed in the peanut gallery at the opera hall on the occasion of future entertainments here. It was a boisterous place last Saturday night.

John Long stabbed Wm. Todd, near the section house south of town, yesterday evening. They are both negroes, and were indulging in a quarrel. Todd is cut in the abdomen.

M. Anthony, of New York, who has been attending the field trials at High Point, N. C., sold his celebrated pointer dog "Graphic" to Chas. P. Heath, of New Jersey, for $2,000.

The new cotton factory at Milledgeville, Montgomery county, is to be filled with new machinery. D. N. Bennett, S. J. Pemberton, and W. C. Smith are in Massachusetts making the purchase.

Capt. Wms. Brown boasts the handsomest stove brought to this market for many a day. It is of the "Acorn" pattern, and has all the modern improvements with rich ornaments.

Mr. Alexander Shoaf, whose marriage was announced in the WATCHMAN of the 5th inst. and which occurred on the 29th of October, died last week. He was married to Miss Cassandra Trotter.

The stairway leading from the entrance to the auditorium of the opera house is not sufficiently lighted. The ascent being long and part of the way very narrow, a misstep in the dark might result seriously.

The fourth Quarterly Conference on the Salisbury District, of the M. E. church, will be held Friday night, November the 20th. Dr. W. H. Bobbitt, the Presiding Elder will preach Sunday morning and night in the Methodist church.

Mrs. Pemberton, wife of S. J. Pemberton, Esq., of Albemarle, was seriously burned on last Monday evening A kerosene lamp was turned over, and her clothing caught fire, burning her seriously from the waist up. She is in a critical condition.

One night last week several negroes repaired to a room in the East ward to gamble. As might have been expected, it terminated in a quarrel and row. One Jule Slater shot at Lem. Griffin, but missed him, the ball making a slight wound on the body of Noah McCubbins.

A petition has been circulated asking the business men to close on the 26th, Thanksgiving day. It has been signed by all the business houses. So that there will be no business done here on that day. Persons desiring to trade must do so the day before or the day after, as all business will be suspended.

J. Stricker Bradford, Esq., of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Birdseye, of New York, were here last week. They are both eminent lawyers, and are employed in the McElwee tobreco brand suit. This suit was moved from Iredell to Rowan, and will be tried at next court. The finest legal talent in this country has been retained on each side.

Mr. E. B. Neave has just received an elegant new upright James Holmstrom piano. It is enclosed in a handsome rosewood case, and was catalogued at $800. The instrument has a delightful, even, smooth tone, and a splendid, easy action. It is the best of the make, and is a very superior instrument.

The mortuary record of this town since the 8th of August last, enrolls but one name, and that of a lady who died in the country and was brought here for burial. There have some deaths among the negroes, but none among the white people since that date of which any record was made at either of our two cemeteries until this week—one.

The schedules on the W. N. C. R. R. as they now exist are certainly in the interest of those of our people who have to make business trips in neighboring towns along this road. Leaving here about 6½ o'clock, A. M. one can get several hours at Statesville, Newton and Hickory and return at 7½ the same afternoon.

G. H. Shaver, the Town Tax Collector, has issued notice to the effect that all persons who have not yet paid their taxes will save cost by settling at once. Also, he proposes to allow those who have failed to list their taxes to settle up before the first of December, by paying a single tax; after that time they will have to pay double tax. See his posted notice.

Mr. D. A. Hampton, near Enochville, lost his barn and contents, comprising a full stock of provender, on Friday night last. He believes it was the work of an incendiary, but that is yet to be verified. The loss is a heavy one to Mr. Hampton, though not a large one in dollars and cents. The barn was a good one, and its loss necessitates the labor and expense of building a new one and stocking it for the winter and spring.

Wood Working.

There is a prospect for the establishment of a factory for working our hard woods, near Salisbury. A practical man from West Virginia is in search of an available mill site for the manufacture of hard wood lumber, and has his eye on several places in this county.

Name Both Offices.

Subscribers to this paper ordering a change in the address from one post office to another, should always give the name of the office to which the paper is now sent, and the name of the office to which they want it directed; otherwise the object desired may not be accomplished by our inability to find on our books the name of the man writing to us.

The Lectures.

Rev. Dr. Davis delivered the two lectures announced for last Sunday. His lecture on Japan was most interesting, and was listened to by a large audience in the Presbyterian church. In the evening the Methodist church was crowded to its utmost capacity to hear the lecture on China and the work of the Methodist missions. The lecture was pronounced the finest that Dr. Davis has yet made here. He is enthusiastic and thoroughly devoted to the missionary cause, and it is a great pleasure to hear him.

Shoe Factory.

There seems a prospect for establishing a shoe factory here at an early day. Aldrich, Haskins & Co., shoe manufacturers of Lakeville, Mass., are in correspondence with gentlemen here, having in view the establishment of such a factory. This is the kind of people who are needed and wanted in the South. An aggregation of small industries is better than a colossal scheme, so far as the growth of the town is concerned. These people will be welcomed, should they determine to turn this way.

Extracrdinary Growth.

A clinton grape cutting was set in the ground against the wall of this office, March 10th, 1884. It took root and the first year made a growth of about 10 feet, counting the main branches and laterals. In February of the present year it was cut back to two eyes or buds, from which sprang two main branches, which made, one 24½ feet and the other 25—49½ feet in the two. But adding to this the lateral branches on each main stem, we have the extraordinary growth of 160 feet of vine from a cutting the second year after setting.

The Railroad Meeting.

The meeting of the Directors of the northern extension of the Yakin Railroad was held according to appointment at South River, on the 17th inst. There was not a quorum present, but all of the counties were represented. Mr. Gwin, of the firm of Gwin & Chatham, manufacturers, was present and took an active part. They adjourned to meet at Mocksville on the 8th of December, when it is expected a full attendance will be present. One reason why more of the Rowan delegates were not present was the evident careless attitude of the people of Davie at the meeting held in Mocksville a short time since.

Chrysanthemums.

Mr. Luke Blackmer has, probably, the largest variety of this beautiful fall flower of any person in the State. They comprise all shades of color from dark red to pure white, and together form a boquet of rare beauty and delightful fragrance. He has one—a seedling of his own production—of purple color — double — whose fringe-like petals spread out in a disk of five inches, (measured), and is in very striking contrast with any other in his garden, especially as to size. The chrysanthemum is a hardy plant and should be cultivated by all who have an eye for the beautiful.

The Vagrant Law.

Have we no vagrant laws? Yes, but when have they ever been enforced! The policemen of this town ought to keep a little book in their pockets in which to note down the names of the idlers who may be found standing, sitting, and lounging about in the streets of the town, a public nuisance. Note down day by day these vagabonds. A, 20 days during this month. B, 15 days, and so on; make up a record against them, and then let the officers of the law require them to show how they make their living, or go to work on the streets. No man or woman has a moral right to be idle, and any man may be required to show the means of his living should the question be raised.

Dangerous.

This is the cotton ginning season. Don't forget that it is dangerous to work about a cotton gin when running. If it should get choked, or need other attention, it is safest to throw off the band and stop the gin. It is safer to roll up the sleeves of your shirt than to go about the saws with garments swinging loosely around. Danger—danger—always about a cotton gin in motion, and "don't you forget it." Only a day or two ago a young man in Mecklenburg, named Davis, says the *Observer*, lost his right arm in a gin while raking away the accumulations underneath it. It was torn to pieces and had to be amputated close up to the shoulder. Such cases should be a warning, but people will be careless and consequently pay the penalty—sometimes amounting to life itself.

Rare Old Liquor.

While lowering the floor of one of the rooms connected with the old Mansion Hotel, opening on Main street, an old time pocket flask was exhumed some two feet below the surface of the ground. It was filled with whiskey and the spectators eagerly tasted the contents until none remained. The house was build in 1845, so Rev. Mr. Lambeth says, which makes this bottle of brandy forty years old. It was probably hidden by some of the workmen and was covered with clay before he thought to remove it. The cork stopper had long since decayed, but the bottle was standing upright. They do say the brandy tasted mellow and good.

JIM BROWN'S HATCHET.

Mr. Lambeth relates a story about Jim Brown's hatchet. Jim is an old time negro, and was employed as carpenter. In boxing up the eaves he carelessly left his hatchet in the boxing. They refused to let him tear up the work to regain his property. It so happened some six years ago, that old Jim had to repair this same roof, and his pleasure may be imagined as he drew the hatchet from its resting place. Thirty-four years had come and gone and old Jim had seen many changes during this interval.

An old English half-penny was also found, dated 1775, with head of George the III.

Diversified Industries.

Salisbury wants diversified industries. A cotton market is a good thing, a tobacco market better; but either, alone or combined, has not produced a city in the South of fifteen thousand inhabitants. What is needed here, in addition to the already established tobacco and cotton markets, is the erection of machine shops of various kinds, foundries, furniture manufactories, shoe manufacturies, etc. Towns that are dependent upon one enterprise alone, tobacco or cotton, for instance, while they not infrequently double their population in a few years, while the fever is on, yet on the abatement of the fever, the growth in population diminishes or entirely ceases. Encourage any and everything from the blacksmith shop to the mammoth cotton factory.

Two Orphans.

The Standard Dramatic Company failed to appear in "My Partner" as advertised, but played "Two Orphans" to a rather disappointed audience. The Orphans had been rendered here before, and did not draw a large house. The music, both band and orchestral, was very ordinary. Salisbury audiences are rather hard to please in the matter of music, since they have been thoroughly educated in distinguishing musical music from mere noise on instruments, by competent teachers in all branches of music. Had the Standards played "My Partner" as advertised, they would have left a more favorable i npression.

The Hoop of Gold Company played to a large house last Friday night. This is without doubt a strong combination, but the play could not be put on the stage properly here. It was too small to accommodate the scenery, and the loss of the scenery coupled with the fact that they had no music, took away much of the pleasure reasonably expected by the audience.

Personal.

R. L. Crawford, Jr., of Winston, is here.

Maj. Bomar and wife, and Miss Wilson, of Morganton, were here this week.

Mrs. Branch, of Raleigh, has been visiting Kerr Craige, Esq.

Miss Lottie Mock has returned from a visit to friends in New York.

Mrs. Asbury, of Charlotte, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Blair, of this place.

Mrs. Baker, wife of Mr. D. A. Baker, of Statesville, is the guest of Mr. C. F. Baker.

Miss Wharton, of Virginia, is visiting relatives here—Mrs. Edwin Shaver, and Mrs. Rumple.

Mrs. G. P. Erwin attended the marriage of Mr. Dick Evans to Miss Maggie Chambers, at Statesville on the 17th inst.

Mrs. Amanda Caldwell, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Theo. F. Kluttz, has returned to her home in Statesville.

Mr. A. H. Craige and Mr. Lipencott, of Philadelphia, are visiting friends in this county, and are having some fine sport among the birds.

Miss Ella Brown has returned from Charlotte, bringing with her Miss Lillie Scott. Mrs. J. E. Fogarty, of Highlands, is also a guest at Mrs. John D. Brown's.

Jersey Red Pigs.

This breed of hogs, though much vaunted for a while, have not given first-rate satisfaction to those who have tried them. The Poland China and the Berkshire, on the contrary, have generally sustained their good character, and are most in favor. There is so much depending on the keep or treatment of hogs, however, that we should be cautious in condemning any particular breed, not even excepting the razor-backs and pine-rooters to be found all through the country. Plentiful feeding and good attention to the comfort of pigs will make fat hogs of any breed. The most beautiful animal of the hog kind we ever saw was made from a scrubby pine-rooter. He was hardy, grew tall and graceful throughout, and was almost as active as a deer when driven to the butchers. Good attention and plentiful feeding did it, and so it will be with any breed. Dr. J. J. Summerell has two red Jersey pigs, crossed on Poland China, 13 months old, estimated at 300 lbs, which is certainly very fine; but they verify nothing in respect to the breed, except as a cross. The Doctor is a good feeder and rarely fails to make fine pork, without regard to breed.

For the Watchman.

Fogy Farmer.

MR. EDITOR: I am reliably informed that some one signing himself "Fogy Farmer" has written some very cowardly letters to parties at High Point, from the Salisbury postoffice. I merely wish to say to those interested, on your account and my own, that while I am bitterly opposed to the destruction of my birds, I have never resorted to anonymous letter-writing to protect them; and I should be glad to see this coward who has stolen my *nom de plume*, receive a coward's punishment.

FOGY FARMER.

MINING DEPARTMENT.

T. K. BRUNER, EDITOR.

Mr. Williams, Supt. of Long Creek mine, in Gaston county, was here this week.

Prof. Tiernan, of Asheville, has just returned from a prospecting tour in Montgomery county, and is much impressed with the section.

Gold Mine Sold.

It is reported that C. J. Knight, Esq., of Montgomery county, has sold a recently discovered gold deposit for $12,000. The particulars have not been g ven.

In Montgomery County

prospects for big mining are flattering. Properties are changing hands and large amounts of money are being spent for machinery. The impetus given to mining by the successful working of the Big Russell and the Coggins mines is beginning to be felt. There is no doubt but that Montgomery is the richest free gold producing district in the State.

Cherokee County, Ga.

Mr. John S. Bird, Jr., of Charleston, S. C., reports that he is largely interested in a gold mine in Cherokee county, Ga., which has never been worked. The ore assays—specimens from three localities assayed—from sixty to three hundred and fifty-eight dollars to the ton. This is an encouraging show for a new property.

Vein Mountain Gold.

The Vein Mountain placer gold mine, in McDowell county, is producing some fine nuggets now. Recent reports mention two, weighing two pounds each. This is encouraging news from this property, which has been idle for some time. Machinery is being placed on the property just now. It is hoped a fine record will be made when they get in good working order.

Shive Mine.

The Shive mine is in Cabarrus county, just over the southern border of Rowan, and is on an extension of some of the gold bearing veins of this county. It is being opened by S. C. Miller. The Roseman mine, in the same neighborhood, on the Rowan side, is to be opened soon. This property has been developed recently by the owner, Dr. M. A. J. Roseman, to 27 feet below the water line. It looks well, so he says, and is in good condition.

North State.

The board of directors of the North State Copper and Gold Mining Company, at a meeting held in the Co's office at the mine, in Guilford county, on the 7th inst., declared an "Irish dividend" of ten cents on the share. This assessment must be paid by the 14th of December. The money is to be used in sinking the main shaft 100 feet deeper. When this work is done the main shaft will be nearly 500 feet deep. Their 20 stamp mill will probably be put in operation about the first of the coming year.

Corundum.

Prof. J. A. D. Stevenson of Statesville, has shown the writer a lot of deep blue opaque crystals—perfect form—of corundum in a matrix of fibrolite. They are from a locality in Iredell county. Prof. Stevenson thinks that in this locality will ultimately be found crystals of sufficient purity and transparence to be used as gems. These opaque crystals have the true sapphire color, and Prof. Stevenson's long and careful study of the corundum localities of Iredell and surrounding counties makes his opinion valuable. He says the fibrolite—a changed corundum—is a rather rare mineral in this State, but that it occurs massive in this locality. The crystals of corundum are perfectly formed hexagonal prysms.

Cable Creek.

Cable Creek is a small stream which has its source somewhere near Davis mountain, in Randolph county, and empties into Buck creek some three miles below its source. For a long time this short stream has been known as a prolific source for placer gold, and washing the dirt and gravel on its banks has given occasional employment to the people living near for more than fifty years. There is now considerable panning all along this branch. The workmen dig down through the alluvium one to two feet to the grit bed which is panned or washed in rockers, paying one dollar and upward a day per hand. In some places they have turned the water from the original channel and are engaged in digging and washing the bed grit, which is also profitable. Recently they found while panning, small quantities of quicksilver in some of the gravel beds, and at a depth of two feet under surface soil. This was doubtless used long ago and by persons unknown to anyone living in the neighborhood now.

First California Nugget.

In the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington, is the small nugget of gold, a little larger than a pea, that first met the eyes of James Marshall in the saw mill raceway at Sacramento, and was the beginning of those discoveries in California that have added nearly $1,500,000,000 in gold to the world's stock of the precious metals—*Exchange*.

The above item has been going the rounds of the press, associated occasionally with a kindred story, giving the credit to yet another person. While in New Orleans last winter, the writer met Henry G. Hanks, F. G. S., F. R. M. S., State Mineralogist of California, who had charge of the vast collection from that State. He carried in his pocket the first nugget ever found in that State, and he said it was identified by Mrs. Peter L. Wimmer, an humble Georgia woman. Prof. Hanks had borrowed the nugget, a small one, and was having a cast made of it.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.—Remember that Mr. Jas. H. McKenzie, is regularly engaged as general canvassing and collecting Agent for the WATCHMAN, and he will call on all delinquent subscribers. Be ready to meet him. The WATCHMAN has been over indulgent with subscribers and a reform is necessary. It is due both subscribers and the Proprietor that old scores be settled up.

SALISBURY MARKET.

Nov. 19,

Corn, freely, at 40@50; Meal, 80@00; Wheat, 90@100; Flour per sack, $2.25@$2.35; Western bulk meats, 8@10; Lard, 10@12½; Beef, retail, 6@10; on the hoof, 2½@3½; Butter 20@25; Eggs, 12½; Hay, 30@40; Fodder, 00@00; Shucks, 00; Bran, 30; Potatoes, Irish, for table 30@40; for planting $1@1.25; Sweet potatoes 30@40; Peas, 125@00; Oats, 35@40; Tallow, 6; Dry Hides, 10; Rabbit furs, 00@00 cts per dozen; Mink skins, 00@00.

Cotton, ready sales at 9¼ cts for good middling—highest, 09¼.

Tobacco, sales every day and prices satfsfactory.

Poultry, in steady demand, but prices moderate.

Salisbury Tobacco Market.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY J. J. HANKINS, PROPRIETOR KLUTTZ'S WAREHOUSE.

Lugs, common dark	4 to 6
" medium red	5 to 8
Leaf, common short green.	5 to 7
" good " red	7 to 9
" med. fillers	8 to 12
" fine "	10 to 16
Smokers, common to medium	6 to 10
" good "	12 to 16
" fine	15 to 25
Wrappers, common	15 to 20
" medium	20 to 30
" fine	30 to 50
" fancy	50 to 70

Market active.

Breaks have been quite full for the past week, with a slight decline in common grades, while all desirable goods are taken at full quotations.

Nov 17, 1885.—

Our Philadelphia markets are corrected every week.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET.—Evans Bros., large Produce Commission Merchants, 56 North Water street, Philadelphia, report the following city markets: Eggs, Virginia and Southern, 12@13.—Live poultry 12@13 cts. per pound; dressed 00@00; turkeys 00@00, according to quality; ducks 00@10; geese 00@00.—Live cattle 5@6; hogs, live 5½@6.—Potatoes: Early Rose, choice, per bush., 00@00; Burbanks, choice 00@00; Peerless, 00@00; Pearl Mammoth, 00@00.—Cheese: N. Y. Factory, choice 7½@8½; fair to good, 6½ to 7½ Pennsylvania full cream, 6½@7½; part skims, fancy 4@05; full skims, 1½@2½.—Dried Fruits: Apples, evaporated, in cases, 0@0; sliced N. Carolina, fancy 0@00; good sliced 0; blackberries 0@00; cherries, pitted, prime dry 00@00 peaches, pared, evaporated 00@00; N. C. sliced 0@0; unpared halves, new, 0@00; quarters 00@00; evaporated 0@00; pears, 00@00; plums, 00; raspberries, 0@00 per pound.—Feathers, choice geese 48@50.—Hides, dry, 10@11.—Honey in comb, 10@11; beeswax 24@25.