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Day's length a little less than 10 hours. The highest price paid here for cotton this season was 9¢.

Over 800 names have been registered in Salisbury, to vote on the R. R.

Indications now point to an election in favor of Bonds on next Tuesday 21st.

Rev. Dr. Bobbitt preached for the Baptist congregation on last Sunday night.

Mr. Chas. H. McKenzie, we regret to learn, is quite ill. Called a physician on Saturday.

Every county that has held an election on subscribing to the new railroad, has voted to issue bonds.

Mr. Stallings, who has recently moved to Salisbury will ply the vocation of tobacco auctioneer.

Rev. C. W. Byrd, pastor of Methodist church here for the ensuing year, will preach his first sermon next Sunday.

Mr. Abel Cowan lost a valuable horse on Tuesday of last week—fell dead while hitched to a wagon, without any known cause.

A cold wave struck this place yesterday evening and at night brought rain and snow. The mercury stood at 19 this morning.

Mayor Neave, who has been confined to his room for a week or more with a severe cold—is out again and able to attend to business.

Mr. Abbott, the jeweler, has removed his store to the wooden building adjoining the Holmes block, first door above the Express office.

Hunters are on the tramp almost every day. They report the birds in good condition notwithstanding the sticking qualities of the snow.

The Gold Dust, a colored Baptist paper, of this place, is the ablest edited journal by a colored man we have yet seen. It is very neatly got up.

The cold snap has diminished the size of wood piles and coal bins. Will I have enough to last me through the winter? is the prevailing question.

A great many Christmas goods have been disposed of already, especially fine presents. Those who want pick and choice are obliged to select early.

Mr. George Lyerly has the credit of having brought to this market yesterday the finest bale of cotton ever seen by Mr. Ross, a cotton buyer. It sold at 9.05.

The man who fails to register and vote for the railroad on Tuesday next, thereby showing himself not to be an enterprising citizen, will regret it all his days.

The usual auction was conducted at the stand on Saturday, and was unusually well attended. Everything, ranging from a shot gun to a horse, was given to the highest bidder.

Last Saturday was probably the busiest day, in all lines of business, that Salisbury has had during the Fall. A larger crowd is seldom seen on the streets except on public occasions.

Those who had plenty of coal or good dry wood went through the late snow storm without indelible impressions, and will forget in a month, the day on which it commenced.

Hon. J. S. Henderson has recently had an operation performed on one of his eyes—from which he has been suffering for some time. His friends will be glad to know that he has found relief in the operation.

The ladies of the Methodist church who were engaged in making the Mikado Teas a success on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week, are more than pleased with the proceeds realized therefrom.

"A Messenger To The Members of St. Johns"—was the title of a circular given to all who were in attendance at the Lutheran church last Sunday morning. It contains the Church Directory, a Pastoral Letter, Lutheran Statistics, and many other things of interest to the members of that denomination.

There is no place in the country where new comers have more difficulty in securing board away from a Hotel than in Salisbury. A few good private boarding houses would be paying institutions here. We have a few such and they are always filled—applicants being turned off about every day. Accommodations at our Hotels are as good as elsewhere, but a great many prefer private boarding houses.

The custom of not lighting the street lamps, on Moonlight nights, should not be strictly adhered to, but governed by circumstances. The weather and condition of the streets made it difficult to attend church last Sunday night without encountering mud and getting the feet damp, which to some extent could have been avoided, had the lamps been burning. The thick clouds obscured the light of the moon, and that should be sufficient reason for burning gas, especially on Sunday night when people like to attend church.

A premium should be offered by the Government, State or national, for a metal roofer who can cover a house so as to keep out the water. Is there a tin roof anywhere that does not leak?—Is there one in Salisbury? The St. Cecilia Club proposes to give another one of their charming entertainments at the Opera House Tuesday evening Dec. 28th. A novel, attractive and elaborate programme has been arranged and the Club hopes to be encouraged by a large audience. Admission 25, children 10 cents.

Dr. Isaac Taylor, who has been practicing medicine at China Grove the past three years, passed through this place on Wednesday en route to Durham, where he will engage in the practice of his profession. The Doctor has many friends in town who wish him abundant success in his new field of labor.

There is some excellent reading matter on the 1st and 4th pages of this paper. Read "Rail Road Election—Facts for the People," if you have not already done so; "Scientific Miscellany," "The dandelion and Crocus," and especially "Offices for the Whites," and "Old Age"—Subjects which interest almost everybody and beneficial to all.

Sarah Hill, colored, the mother of several children, found her youngest dead, Tuesday forenoon, and could give no certain account of what killed it. It was in bed. An old negress called on the Coroner to inform him that there was nothing wrong in the case, and unless some one complains, that is to be the end of it.

What has become of the hog raisers of Rowan? Before the war almost every farmer had pork to sell at this season of the year, some of them from 1000 to 5000 pounds. Many of them a smaller quantity. What has become of them and the four horse teams and big wagons that used to supply our market with pork by the wholesale. Now the fresh meat dealers in town dole out pork by the two or three lbs. at 10 cents. What a change—for the worse, in this line.

Business has been lively on our streets this week notwithstanding the bottom is falling out of our dirt roads. The snow went away slowly with the exception of Sunday and Monday, and then very rapidly; and it has left the public roads in fine condition to be cut into deep ruts and holes. Yet produce is coming in, and the streets have been thronged every day and the people, borrowing cheerfulness from the bright sun and hopeful prospects, have never looked happier.

"Cheap John!" What nonsense! Every man who sells goods or tricks, makes a profit on them either in selling or buying. If the latter, he gets his goods without paying for them—by hook or by crook. Trade with respectable merchants whom you know to be honest and who expect to thrive by honest dealing.

Pay Up. The Sheriff, C. C. Krider, has issued notices for his last round, to be made in January, beginning on the 4th. Those in arrears should stir around and get ready for him. It is a great worry to call on a debtor from half a dozen to a dozen times for taxes, or any debt whatever. It makes men feel uncharitable and vindictive. It washes out and obliterates the "milk of human kindness" to a degree that is absolutely painful to bear.

Gold Production in North Carolina. The article that appeared in the Herald of November 18th was reprinted in the Financial and Mining Record of New York, and copied by the Watchman, without either crediting this paper with the matter.—North Carolina Herald.

The article referred to above was credited to the Financial and Mining Record of New York from which we clipped it, and where it appeared without credit, except by the name of the author, Geo. B. Hanna, A. A. Newspapers don't usually go behind the author of an open letter to tell where it was first published.

Attempted Robbery. Monday night last, about 11 o'clock, a man was detected by Mr. R. M. Pendleton in trying to break into his kitchen, but who fled precipitately on Mr. P.'s opening the back door leading out to the kitchen. On examining the building it was found that the fellow had cut away a part of the window sash, and would very soon have been in. Conjecturing that he would return during the night, Mr. Pendleton stood on guard for him. Sure enough, about 8 o'clock in the morning, the fellow was back again; but was prematurely alarmed by a little noise in the house, and fled—two shots rapidly delivered, quickening his flight to its utmost stretch.

Grand Concert. There was quite a grand musical entertainment given in the chapel of Salem Female Academy, last Saturday evening, by the Salem Orchestra, if we may judge by the programme and what we have heard of it. We see that our townsman, Prof. W. H. Neave, had a conspicuous part in the performances; and when we remember that invited assistants always do their best when away from home, we doubt not he made no exception to the rule on this occasion. There is no music in the country where good music and a plenty of it, is more highly appreciated than in the ancient and famous town of Salem; nor one where more excellent performers are found. We feel flattered, that under such circumstances, they should call on Salisbury to contribute to make up a musical event of extraordinary interest.

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MINING DEPARTMENT.

T. K. BRUNER EDITOR, RALEIGH, N. C.

Resuming the review of mining in the South, as reported to the United States Government by R. P. Waring, Assayer in charge of the Charlotte Assay office, the operations and output of the SOUTH CAROLINA MINES will next be reviewed. Mr. Waring says: "The mining industry in this State is confined to a few places, and is under conditions which change but little from year to year. These conditions favor steady work and a measurably uniform production."

He then adverts to speculative mining which he says has found but little scope in the State. This may be considered as greatly favoring legitimate and purely business in our sister State, while the practice of "speculation" and other greater frauds in North Carolina have done more to cripple the industry than most any other single cause. The auriferous deposits of S. C. are but poorly suited to the demands of questionable transactions because the formations are for the most part of large extent, and of low grade, so that when favorable conditions are met with operations are calculable for with reasonable accuracy.

No new mines were opened during the year, and three were discontinued. There was considerable exploitation done in parts of the State which may yet result in some profitable development. The suspension of these mines must account for the falling off of the production of the State. The following is official for the year:

Table with 2 columns: Counties, Value in dollars. Includes Lancaster and Chesterfield (40,000), Spartanburg, Union and York (3,000), Miscellaneous (1,000), Total (44,000).

The information of the writer does not justify the prediction that a more flattering result may be expected in the near future. There are several causes which forbid too sanguine expectations on this score and not the least is litigation. However, the situation in the State in 1887 may be much more hopeful than present indications would indicate; because the recent impulse given mining in the south may also improve the situation in the "Palmetto State."

GEORGIA MINES.

Georgia has held its own under difficulties that might have been fatal in North Carolina. New properties have been developed which have kept the production up to normal, while a few properties have been abandoned because unprofitable. From very necessity the Georgia miner is obliged to practice rigid economy and reduce mining, milling and amalgamation to the minimum, in order to accomplish anything at all with the material worked. When it is known that much of the ore treated is worth as little as one dollar to the ton, the difficulties of the situation will easily suggest themselves. They are fortunate in the topographical features of the country which enable them to use automatic machinery to the best advantage. Under these circumstances the mining problem in Georgia is somewhat simplified.

The following is the official estimate of the State's production:

Table with 2 columns: Counties, Value in dollars. Includes Raben and Habersham (2,000), Columbia and Merriweather dist. (4,000), Lincoln (5,500), McDuffie (6,000), White (7,500), Lumpkin (7,500), Dawson (2,000), Towns to Gilmer & Carroll (6,000), Cherokee (18,000), Miscellaneous (9,000), Total (132,500).

This is a creditable exhibit and demonstrates the fact that economical handling of low grade ore may be made profitable. There is nothing in the situation to warrant a prediction that there will be any material falling off in next year's report, and on the contrary there may be an increase, provided the same economy and care is practiced.

ALABAMA.

Here but little has been done, and the development of the State has not been characterized by any marked activity. So little has been accomplished that the entire output for the year only amounts to eight or ten thousand dollars. Mining for precious metals is not likely to become of permanent or large proportions in the near future, while the State is taking the lead in the production of cheap iron.

THE UWHARRIE MINE.

This valuable property in Randolph county was adverted to several weeks ago but not in sufficient scope to give the reader a fair idea of the magnitude of the work, nor any clue as to who the men are, who have gone so determinately to work on this property.

The mine has been secured by the Baltimore and North State Company, composed largely of business men in Baltimore, and is being worked by them. The officers are as follows: President, M. Bergman, (Bergman Mfg. Co.) Vice President, Chas. K. Oliver, (of C. A. Gambrill & Co.) Treasurer, Warren H. Sadler; (Principal Bryant, Stratton & Sadler Business College, and supreme treasurer Order of Golden Chain.) Mr. Joseph Colm, of Lynchburg, Va., is one of the board of directors. These men are conducting the affairs of the Uwharrie mine with the same fidelity which has so long served them in their respective daily avocations, and which has enabled them to succeed in the past. Mr. B. L. Loney, their superintendent at the mine, has had large experience and exhibits the traits necessary in a careful manager.

There is but one shaft, but it is large carefully constructed and capable of doing all the work necessary for some time to come. It is 74 by 14 feet, and has reached a depth of more than 136 feet, is still being sunk. There are two levels one 70 feet from the surface, has, linear measure, 84 feet in the north end, and an aggregate of 64 feet in the south wing. The next level is 50 feet below this and has 84 feet in the north and 28 feet in the south wing. Work is being done in both wings of this level, and also in a winze which is being sunk from the upper level. This winze has reached a depth of nearly 35 feet and will be sunk to the second level. The ore body is a mass of unusual size. The shaft has gone down in ore all the way, and they are working in ore in the lower level. There is a cross cut at the 70 foot level which shows an ore width of 18 feet. There are practically no walls in the mine, and the miners judge the character of the material being worked by the fracture. The formation is the Huronian slate, and the indications are that there is an abundance of the material now being taken out to be had in the mine. The ore on the dumps and in sight runs up to several thousand tons. This formation, as a rule is rich in auriferous veins of quartzite, aiorite chlorite, &c.

The 3-story mill house is nearly ready for the active operation of the stamp mills, and in fact, has ten stamps already in position. The building was constructed with capacity for 20 stamps, and the other 10 may be added next spring. The house is constructed for the automatic handling of the ores which will not be handled after leaving the mill. The ore is largely free milling of low grade, and carries but a small percentage of sulphurets, which will be concentrated and shipped for treatment.

The outlook for the Uwharrie is certainly flattering and when the mill starts and the problem of working a low grade ore to profit is solved, we expect to see mining in the State take a new start.

Chapel Hill, N. C., Dec. 8, 1886. T. K. Bruner, Esq. Mining Editor, Carolina Watchman.

Dear Sir:—Trusting to your well known interest in mining matters I beg leave to ask for some information through the columns of your paper. At a recent meeting of the Elisha Mitchell Society here there was discussed the influence of mineral deposits upon vegetation. It is well known that in many parts of the world such deposits do influence vegetation. For instance at Aix la Chapelle (the German Aachen) in Belgium the zinc deposits are characterized by the presence of the Calaminaria (Viola calaminaria) near Lutra. In many of the lead districts of this country occurs the "Lead Cabbage," with roots 40 to 50 feet in length. At Maidaupcek in Servia the mineral deposits are made known by the growth of birch trees, which elsewhere occur but seldom in the country. On the river Edder in Hesse it has been observed that a high growth of thistles marks the presence of gold bodies. Near Hohenelbe in Bohemia the red poppy marks the presence of copper bodies. Many other instances might be quoted of this singular connection between mineral deposits and vegetation, but these will suffice for the present. Has anything of the kind been observed in this State? I am unable to answer this question, although I have heard that in some of the eastern counties the presence of mart within a few feet of the surface is indicated by the vegetation.

If you have any information on this subject, or if any of those to whom your paper goes have any, I should be very glad to hear about it. It may not be without interest to some of your readers to know that agricultural mathematicians, Lohnseis Rossler and others writing in the 16, 17 and 18th centuries held strongly to the opinion that the quality and kinds of grass, herbs, and trees indicated the presence of lodes. Thus a sparse yellow vegetation, of unhealthy appearance, the trees spindling and forked, was looked upon as sure signs of lodes. These indications are still regarded as of value, as we learn Gaetzschmann (Die Aufund Untereuchung von Lagerstätten nutzbarer mineralien, 2^{te} auf. p. 314).

The subject is a very interesting one and a very important one, for external characteristics were the only means employed by the old miners for finding lodes, &c. These old miners were wonderful successful in searching for such hidden treasures, and they had by no means the same advantages we enjoy. They were an amazingly sagacious set of men, and could easily put us to the blush when it comes to the close, patient observation of minute phenomena. The trouble with most people is that they do not know what to look for. Their attention is concentrated on some one thing, while all the time perhaps the thing they are looking for is plainly indicated by something they do not see although it is immediately before them. W. B. PHILLIPS.

Mr. T. K. Bruner, of Salisbury, has been unanimously elected secretary of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, to succeed Mr. P. M. Wilson, who has resigned to give his attention to private business interests. Mr. Bruner is well known to our readers through the "Mining Notes," which he reports every week for the MANUFACTURERS' RECORD. He is closely identified with the industrial development of the State, and is admirably fitted for the position to which he has been called. The Department of Agriculture is to be congratulated upon the selection of one so thoroughly conversant with the resources of the State and so energetic in making them known. Mr. Bruner will continue to contribute his "Mining Notes" to our columns, and in his new position will have even better facilities than heretofore for gathering the latest news in mining interests.—Manufacturers' Record.

The Cluverius Case. THE "OLD MAN" FOUND AND ARRESTED... SAYS HE LEFT LILLIAN WITH CLUVERIUS. REYMOND, Dec. 12.—Pending the trial of Cluverius, a colored waiter at the hotel testified that he saw an old man with Lillian Madison and Cluve in the hotel parlor on the afternoon of the night she was murdered. The old man could not be found, although detectives searched rigorously for him. Since Cluverius was respited by the Governor to the 14th of January next, an old man has been arrested by Capt. Charles Epps of the Richmond police. Capt. Epps refused to give the name of the party arrested, but states that the old man is a Richmond mechanic, who admits that he met Miss Madison on the street near the American Hotel on the night of the murder in question; that she asked him to show her to the ladies' parlor of the hotel; that he did so, a d left her with Cluverius, and knew nothing more about this case. This is all that has yet been given out.

A Smash Up Last Wednesday, the buggy shop of Mr. J. T. McCain at this place, gave way to the pressure of sleet and snow and the entire roof fell in. C. Spence had a good buggy in the shop at the time it was broken badly. Also the roof of a lumber shelter belonging to Mr. J. M. Bivine fell in, but no serious damage was done.—Stanly Observer.

MARRIED.

By Rev. R. L. Brown, at his residence on the 8th of December, 1886, Mr. Nehemiah Dunham to Miss Fannie F. Corner; the former of the State of New Jersey, the latter of Rowan county.

In Scotch Irish Township, Nov. 24, by Rev. R. W. Boyd, Mr. Wm. D. Pennington and Anna M. Correll.

DIED.

In this county Dec. 10th '86, of Malarial fever, Lindsay, infant son of H. G. and Alice Cranford, aged about 2 years.

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MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND

In Scotch Irish Township, Saturday Dec. 18, 1886.

A tract of land belonging to Julius Wilson, consisting of fifty-one acres, more or less, will be sold at public sale at the Courthouse door in Salisbury on Monday the 24 day of January 1887, to satisfy the provisions of a mortgage given to Wm. W. Mott, Sept. 4th, 1886, and registered in Book 2, page 891, Register's office of Rowan county. This tract adjoins the lands of Burton Montgomery, Scott Turner, Isaac Lowery and Margaret Addie and Polly Wilhelm.—Sale will take place at 12 o'clock, M. Terms Cash. Wm. W. MOTT, 6:1m.

NOTICE!

All persons indebted to me by account, note or mortgage, that has been standing some time, will please come forward and settle the same; Will take cotton and produce at market prices in payment. R. J. HOLMES.

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