

Persons writing for information on matters advertised in this paper will please say—'advertised to the Watchman.'

Subscription Rates.

The subscription rates of the Carolina Watchman are as follows: 1 year, paid in advance, \$1.50; 3 months, 'del' 3 mo's \$2.00; 6 months, 'del' 12 mo's \$2.50.

Mr. C. H. McKenzie is again able to be out.

Be careful with fire-works during the holidays.

The Post Office at Charlotte is to be made a free delivery office.

Dr. Griffith's Dental Office will be closed from 27th inst to the 3rd Jan.

Draw a comparison between Christmas 1886, and Christmas 1864—at Salisbury.

What has become of the Pleasure Club? A year ago this time it was in full blast.

Our stores and shops are literally packed with Christmas goods. Go and see them.

It is reported that a gentleman from Virginia will open a boot and shoe store here on a large scale, first of the New Year.

Mr. Warner has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in New York and New Jersey.

The Colored Methodist contemplate building a new church edifice here during next year.

The usual custom of decorating the Episcopal church for Christmas will be observed.

There will be a Christmas tree service at the Lutheran and Baptist churches on Christmas Eve.

The streets are muddy enough. Salisbury's next move should be in the direction of improving the streets.

Those who know the sunny face and sky blue eyes of little May Boyden, will be sorry to learn that she is quite ill.

Dr. R. L. Payne, Jr., of Lexington, spent a day here this week. He is regarded as one of North Carolina's coming surgeons.

Misses Annie Blackmer and Jennie Bingham have returned from a visit to Tarboro and other points in Eastern Carolina.

Dr. Alex Ramsour, of Lincolnton, we learn, has located at China Grove, filling the place made vacant by the removal of Dr. Taylor to Durham.

All persons who are owing J. D. Gaskill had better pay him at once and save cost as he is suing a great many. Your time may come next. Look out!

Strive to make this your happiest Christmas. Thousands now living and enjoying good health will not live to see another Christmas on earth.

The bulk of the tobacco brought to this market thus far is inferior. Great deal of this year's crop was frost bitten—consequently worthless.

The entertainment proposed by the ladies of the St. Cecilia Club will not take place on the 28th as advertised owing to sickness, but will come off a few days later.

The late snow storm must have been unusually disastrous to rabbits, as the market has been crowded with cotton tail skins beyond any extent heretofore known.

Christmas turkeys are on hand in abundance running around loose. They roost in the trees in Mr. Ross's yard—high up, and well they may, and gobble only when the sun shines.

A tramp entered the residence of John West on Innis Street, one day last week, in open daylight, and stole an overcoat which had been left in the hall. It has been recovered.

A slight change was made on the R. & D. Road last Monday. It affects only the morning train from the South which now arrives at 8 o'clock 45 minutes a. m. All other trains due as formerly.

The condition of the public roads has interfered with the travel of the usual number of mountain wagons, that have heretofore never failed to put in an appearance at Salisbury, a week before Christmas.

An observing citizen looking out on the streets, yesterday, remarked—a great deal of running around of people, apparently busy, but I think there is less money passing than usual at this time of the year.

If there is any one class of laborers above another who deserve a rest during Christmas holidays it is the printer. A good type, who finds employment, idles away no time from 1st January to 25th December, and knows how to appreciate a season of rest.

Remember that there are a great many children in this community whose parents are not able to purchase presents for them. Their little hearts would be gladdened at receiving a Christmas gift from you. Don't forget this, you who have a sufficiency of this world's goods.

Those hunting for rare Christmas presents should not fail to call at Kluttz's Drug Store. Nor should they overlook the offerings of Messrs. Witkowski & Barnum, of Charlotte, who advertised in last week's paper, and extend their Christmas greeting in this.

Holiday passenger rates will be in effect on the W. N. C. R. R. during the holidays—tickets to any station on that division at the rate of 5 cents per mile one way for the round trip. Tickets good until Jan. 2nd '87.

"Rotation" is reviewed by a correspondent who writes over his own proper name. See first Page of this paper for Mr. Corriher's views on the subject. The letter was unavoidably crowded out of last week's paper.

We wish that each one of our merchants who have provided Christmas goods for the million, had sent us a stick of candy or a block of chewing gum—it would have afforded us an opportunity to blow them.

Look out for him!—The imp of the "ink block," the president of the "held," will pay his compliments to the readers of the WATCHMAN Christmas morning in the way peculiar to printers' devils. Don't run from him but stand your ground.

Wood is plentiful on the streets, and is cheap compared with the markets in some of our neighboring towns. Two years hence (if the new railroad is completed) the wood hauler will get \$2.50 per cord for his wood instead of present prices.

Those citizens who exerted themselves in behalf of the railroad movement by making speeches at various places—braving the rough weather that we have had the past two weeks—and laboring in other ways to bring about a favorable result, merit the everlasting thanks of the country, and they deserve to be rewarded hereafter in a substantial way.

Sunday morning services at the Presbyterian church comprised a discourse by Dr. Rumble on the 17th verse of the 23d chapter of Revelations: "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

The voting on the railroad subscription Tuesday, at the box in this town was remarkable for its unanimity. All shades in politics, color, and previous condition, came together at the polls and voted almost solid for Subscription, and the day passed without an exciting incident to divert attention from the business in hand.

There is a town somewhere in the mountains of this State named Burningtown, and according to the Franklin Press, it has a citizen named Roper, a pleasant fellow at that.

We think, however, Rowan is ahead on naming Post Offices: She has a "Saw," a "Phi" and a "Zeb," the latter evidently intended as a feather in our Senator's cap.

The Rev. Geo. B. Wetmore, after a pastorate of 32 years, has resigned the charge of Christ church and St. Andrews, Rowan, and St. James, Iredell county, to take effect as soon as a successor can be obtained. He expects to visit the congregation early in the spring. Meanwhile he will probably officiate in the vicinity of Fayetteville, which will be his post office address.

Dr. E. M. Summerell has resigned the position of Assistant Physician at the Insane Asylum at Morgantown; which place he has filled acceptably for two years. The place is vacant, and will be filled by some one early in January. Here is an opportunity for a young M. D., as it is desired by the Board of Directors that the Assistant shall be an unmarried man.

Railroad Election.

Rowan voted a subscription on Tuesday of \$100,000, by a clear majority of about 800.

The best day's work of the season. Now let the dirt fly.

Dr. Snead.

We are pleased to announce that this gentleman has come with his family to reside in this place. They come from Buchanan, Botetourt county, Va., where the Doctor long enjoyed a high standing his profession and a lucrative practice.

Half Sheet.

We shall, according to our ancient practice, issue only a half sheet next week, and that, for the purpose of giving unbroken continuance to advertisements required to be regularly published. It will also afford to the hands employed in our office a brief respite from their unremitting labors.

Miss M. C. Taaffe

Takes pleasure in extending to her friends the congratulations of the season, with many thanks for their favors during the year now closing. She will continue DRESS MAKING, as heretofore, but must notify her patrons that after this week her place will be in the remodeled building opposite the residence of Mrs. Martin Richwine, North end of Main Street.

A Joint Meeting.

The reader is invited to consider the call to be found in another column for a joint meeting of farmers at Raleigh on the 18th of January. Rowan should send a strong delegation, and we take the liberty to nominate a few gentlemen worthy to represent her, viz: T. J. Sumner, S. R. Harrison, Mack Harrison, J. K. Graham, A. M. Bost, J. F. Stansill, Tommy Thomason, A. L. Hall, John Fisher, Geo. Lyerly, Whitson Miller, Cornelius Kestler, N. R. Windsor, J. H. Hellig, A. M. Brown and E. U. Miller.

Building and Loan.

The weekly collection of this Association will be on Friday, this week, instead of Saturday, the latter being a legal holiday. F. J. M.

Narrow Escape.

There was an outbreak of fire at the St. John house, Saturday afternoon last. While it was raining in the morning the chimney was burned out, but as the roof was supposed to be wet, no danger was apprehended. In the afternoon, however, the roof was discovered to be on fire near the chimney. The house is a high two story building, and without any means of getting to the roof from the inside. It greatly alarmed Mr. N. R. Windsor's family who occupied the building, and they moved out all their property. But the fire burnt slowly, and thus afforded an opportunity to save the building, which was accomplished under great difficulties than we can undertake to relate here, by cutting a hole through the overhead plastering, and going up on a short ladder, set on tables, boxes, &c. It was a wonderful achievement under the circumstances, and its success is chiefly due to the indomitable energy of Mr. Windsor's son, Lindsay, a lad of 17 years.

Mr. Windsor desires to express his thanks to Mr. L. Simerson, his son, and Mr. Rickard, and other neighbors for their assistance.

The Year 1886

Now about to close, has witnessed greater improvements and more progress in and around Salisbury, than was ever known in any one year during her existence as a town. The erection of buildings, both residences and business houses, has been going on steadily all the year. 'Tis true the scarcity of money and short crops, have to some extent affected the various business interests represented here; but the building boom has not abated in the least. An increased spirit of enterprise is manifest on all sides. Several new streets have been laid out and opened. The gas limits have been extended. A contract to supply the town with water has been entered into—and last but not least, the bid, backed by effects for a competing line of railroad from the great west to the coast of North Carolina. A more efficient municipal Board than the present one, has never managed the affairs of the town. Take it all in all, the year just going out has been an unprecedented one in Salisbury—leaving marks all along the path she has trodden to serve as guides to the New Year in furthering the interests of the dear old town.

Gambling.

Is it true that we have a licensed gambling establishment in a very public place on Main Street, in this town? A "wheel of fortune," a sort of lottery or game of chance, doing business openly, and with no fear of the law! Crowds of negroes and boys fairly block the pavement in front of this establishment at times, and the persons inside are no doubt taking in the dimes at a lively rate.

Do these sections of the Code have no relation to the new establishment? SEC. 1045.—If any person shall establish, use or keep any gaming table, (other than a faro bank) by whatever name such table may be called, at which games of chance shall be played, he shall on conviction thereof be fined not less than two hundred dollars, and be imprisoned not less than thirty days; and every person who shall play thereat, bet any money, property or thing of value, whether the same be in stake or not, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and any fine imposed on the offender shall not be less than ten dollars.

SEC. 1047.—If any person shall open, set on foot, carry on, promote, make or draw, publicly or privately, a lottery, by whatever name, style or title the same may be denominated or known; every person so offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not exceeding two thousand dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding six months, or both, in the discretion of the court.

The evident designs of these sections is to suppress every species of gambling, of whatever form. We believe they cover the chance devices sometimes employed in church fairs. Some of the best church men have spoken against them in no doubtful tones. At all events, let us not have a licensed gambling house with ignorant, vulgar crowds blocking the pavement on the principal business street of the town.

Wild Cat Killed.

A wild cat was killed on the south side of Nantahala mountain, Saturday last, by Mr. Jacob Cloer. The animal measured 3 feet and 3 inches in length. One of its feet, which is of unusual size, was sent to this office, but as it is not supposed to possess the good luck of a rabbit's foot, we had no disposition to keep it.—Franklin Press.

Railroad Meeting.

At the request of many prominent citizens of this town and county, there will be a meeting at the Court house in Franklin, on Friday, the 24th inst., for the purpose of taking such action as will insure a railroad to our county. A full attendance of all the people is expected.—Jb

LIST OF LETTERS.

- List of letters remaining in post office at Salisbury, N. C., for the week ending Dec. 18, 1886. Ed McCoy, Maggie E. Dry, Wm Dunu, Mrs Minnie Davis, T J Ezzell, Frank Tarison, Susan Fraley, Fannie Gos, Ambus Gaither, J W Heard, M J Ivy, Walker James, J Kerfus, Holly Keenan, Dick Kindey, Frank B Lytaker, Henry Ludwick, Eley Wyatt, R J Waite, M R Watson, W R Ogden, James, James Pain, L S White.

Please say advertised when the above letters are called for. A. H. BOYDEN, P. M.

MINING DEPARTMENT.

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

MINING BRIEFS.

Work has been suspended for some time at the Sam Christian placer mine, in Montgomery county. The Southern Mining Co. has been experimenting on a portion of this property with a process for saving flour or float gold, but have so far failed in producing satisfactory results. This speaks rather lamely for the process, since the ground selected for the experiment is good and has a record for production which cannot be gainsaid. The testing, however, may not be as yet completed, and the writer has no desire to anticipate results. In a general way, processes, as most all experienced miners know, will not do to tie to.

CONCORD MINE.

This new title is hung to an old mine and one that has not the most favorable record. It is the new sobriquet for the Crowell mine, which is located near Biesville, in Stanley county.

Mr. L. S. White, of Baltimore, is superintending the work, and it is supposed that he has good reasons for the expenditures now being made at that place. New machinery in the shape of Frue Vanners (concentrators) are being put in, and preparations for working the mine are being made. The water from the shaft is being forked and the presumption is that the Brandreth shaft will be sunk to a greater depth. There are some exceedingly rich "streaks" of ore in the Crowell—Concord—and the general formation indicates the presence of rich deposits. For the sake of the industry it is hoped that they may uncover some rich and lasting ground.

YADKIN CHLORINATION WORKS.

The Yadkin Chlorination Works will suspend operations for a short time. This has been rendered necessary on account of the condition of the roads. It is impossible to obtain regular supplies of ore during the wet season, and the management has wisely concluded to suspend regular operations until early spring.

REYNOLDS MINE.

The Reynolds mine, near Troy, in Montgomery county, is not being worked just now. The suspension was necessary because of the water, which came into the mine faster than the means at command could fork it. The wet season, coupled with the desire of one of the gentlemen interested to dispose of his interest, combine to keep the property inactive. But there is too much pay ore in the Reynolds to allow it to remain long in idleness. Parties are now negotiating for it, and it is not improbable that operations may begin with improved facilities at an early day.

THE BOLSTON MINE.

In Henderson county, continues to develop in a satisfactory manner. Four tunnels have been driven on the lode, from all of which ore is being taken. It is a large low grade mass, with occasional rich pockets, but of sufficient grade and quality to justify a larger plant than is now employed in reducing the ore. They are only using a ten stamp mill and a concentrator for the manipulation of the ore. This machinery is run by steam (25-h engine) and the inference is plain that the property is doing very well, though the management is reticent when it comes to figures. This is all right so long as the public is not invited to invest in the stock.

BIG RUSSELL MINE.

The Big Russell mine, now under the control of English capital, and located near El Dorado, in Montgomery county, (Glenn brook P. O.) continues to produce, the record of production being generally uniform. Operations are probably not on a scale in keeping with the vast supply of material at command. This property is one that will require the most economical management, because the ore are of low grade. The abundance of the material and the reasonable probability of its continuance is sufficient guarantee for the enlargement of the plant. This was contemplated early in the present year, but as yet no improvement has been made.

A FOUR CARAT DIAMOND.

Col. H. C. Demming, general manager of the Marion Bullion Company, operating in McDowell county, reports the finding of a twin diamond, white, of good color, and weighing 4 carats. He says: "It seems to be free from flecks and flaws, and we will be able to cut it with very little wastage." He says that he thinks it is the largest diamond that has been recently found in North Carolina. In this he is doubtless correct. The writer has not seen the gem, but gives the report of its discovery on the authority of the gentleman named. He has been working up the gem interest in that part of the State with a view, and with the belief, that he would find diamonds. He has just returned from a visit to the mine and reports the finding of crystallized gold. He was accompanied on this trip by Col. Joseph K. Davison, of Philadelphia, a leading manufacturing jeweler, and Prof. J. Alden Smith, M. E., and State Geologist of Colorado. These gentlemen were very much pleased with what they saw and intended making a thorough examination of the property, but the recent fall of snow prevented their doing so.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

As an evidence of the interest being manifested in the State, on subjects pertaining to our resources, and with a view of educating the masses up to the point of observing intelligently the phenomena of nature as written in the soil, plant life and rocks; the organization of a Scientific Society at Highlands, in Macon county, is noted. This is a step in the right direction. Every county, not only in North Carolina, but in the whole south, should fol-

low the example set by the people in the transcantane county named. The idea is to educate the young men and train them in the habit of observing. Had this been done years ago, the resources of the South would have been famed throughout the world.

MARRIED.

By Rev. R. L. Brown, at his house on the 14th day of December, 1886, Mr. Phillip Ridenhour to Miss Clementine Cauble; the former of Stanley and the latter of Rowan county, N. C.

DIED.

In Salisbury, Dec. 21, '88, Mrs. Mary S. Gallimore, wife of Mr. O. S. Gallimore.

Lost—A gray cape trimmed in fur for a child's cloak. The finder will be rewarded by returning it to Meroney and Bro.

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NOTICE!

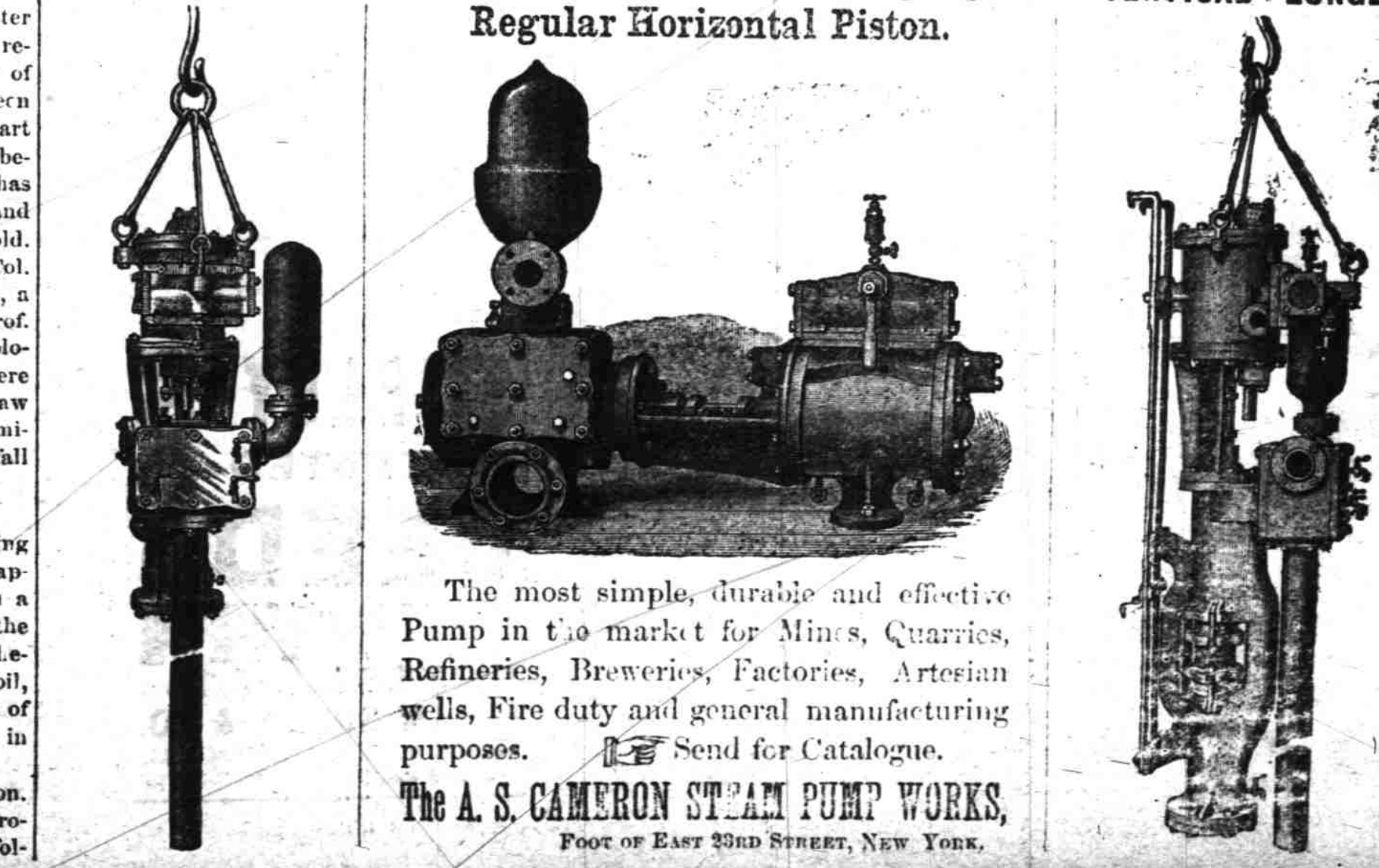
All persons indebted to me by account, note or mortgage, that has been standing some time, will please come forward and settle the same; Will take cotton and produce at market prices in payment. R. J. HOLMES. Nov. 1st, '86. 2:2m.

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