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The drain pipes at the jail are being taken up and repaired.

Attend church to-morrow, and do not forget to take along a contribution to the Orphans.

Winston is clamoring for a market house. They ought to have—so should Salisbury.

The many friends of Mr. Will Wiley are pleased to see him back to his old home again.

This has been a favorable week, so far, for traffic. Streets crowded with wagons every day.

The J. D. Small foundry has been sold to the Yadkin Manufacturing Company at Milledgeville.

Persons who have promised us firewood should redeem their promises without further delay—winter is upon us.

Mr. Net Murphy has bought out the stock of the late Mr. A. C. Harris, and will carry on business at the old stand.

Hunting parties have arranged to try their luck on Thursday. Birds are said to be plentiful—especially on land that is posted.

Messrs. Gallagher Bros., our photographers, have some very fine pictures of Rev. Mr. Pearson for sale. We have seen them and they are good.

Work on the big tunnel on the Western road is going ahead day and night. It is thought that it will be in condition to run trains through by first of next week.

GOOD.—One of our merchants declined to advertise for fear of getting custom he could not accommodate; and another because his business was already a dead sure thing.

The United Southern Synod (Lutheran) of the South is in session at Savannah, Georgia. Rev. Mr. King and Mr. P. N. Heilig of this place took the cars Tuesday to attend the meeting.

Is that unsightly thing, called a pump, standing in the middle of the public square, really a benefit to the town, or is it there just because it has not been removed? If it is a necessity, why, let it stand—otherwise take it way.

We are to have another paper sure The brick building next to John Mowery's tailor shop has been rented, and the *Press* will be issued from there by the Messrs. Tipton's. We welcome them to the field and wish them success.

The farmers have had favorable weather the past week, for seeding and gathering crops. They should spend to-morrow in giving thanks to Almighty God for the many blessings bestowed during the year, even upon the unjust.

We copy from the *State Chronicle* a description of the Rev. Mr. Pearson and his labors in Raleigh, which will be read with interest by many persons in this community, who will cherish for a great while the tenderest recollections of the distinguished Evangelist.

Thieves are trying to break up Young & Bostian. Three weeks ago Saturday they stole a sack of flour from the store, the next Saturday they took a country ham and last Saturday a pair of shoes. Edgar Johnston saw a negro take the shoes and gave chase but was out run.

Northern people with money who emigrate South, settle in towns, equipped with modern conveniences; because of the fact that they have had such advantages up North, and do not propose to be deprived of them. We can offer them good climate, gas and water works; but no market house.

The Presbyterian and Methodist churches will unite in Thanksgiving services at the Presbyterian church, Rev. Mr. Byrd preaching at 11 o'clock. A collection will be taken up for the benefit of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. There will also be exercises at the other churches.

We have heard the concert given by the Appollo Club of Statesville, last Thursday night, very highly spoken of. This concert was under the direct management of Prof. W. H. Neave of our town, who has been for some time musical director of this club.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Bobbitt was able to be on the street yesterday, the first time in four weeks. He is improving very fast and will attend conference at Fayetteville next week. The Methodist of the Salisbury District, whom he has served as Presiding Elder for the past three years, desire his return, in the same capacity, another year.

Rev. Charles W. Byrd will close the conference year as pastor of the Methodist congregation here, next Sunday, and leave for Conference on Monday. He is a talented young divine, and as preacher and pastor, has given entire satisfaction. His people are strongly attached to him, and this entire community unite with them in the desire for his return another year. There has been ninety eight accessions to the memberships of the Methodist church this year under his administration.

Mr. Butts' attractive panorama of Bible scenes will be presented in Meroney's Hall, Thursday and Friday nights of this week. This exhibition will be under the care and for the benefit of the Young Men's Christian Association and we trust that our citizens generally, will attend, as the scenes are instructive as well as pleasing and at the same time the money will be spent in a good cause.

Blossoms from Mississippi.

Mr. W. H. Still, a subscriber to this paper at Oxford, Mississippi, seeing notices of cherry blossoms left at this office by Rowan subscribers, Nov. 6th, sends us a bunch of flowers from his Mississippi home consisting of apple, cherry and cotton blossoms, gathered from the trees and fields at his place on the 19th November. Oxford is about as much further south of Salisbury as is Camden, S. C.

Short Signted.

The Post Office Department requires all mail matter that can be sent by railroad for a part of the way to a certain destination to go by rail. In one case at least in this county there should be an exception to the rule. The horse mail for Mill Bridge leaves here Friday morning and reaches Mill Bridge by 10 or 11 o'clock, same day. But under the rule of the P. O. Department mail is sent by railroad to China Grove; and from there it is taken by horse mail, and cannot reach Mill Bridge before late Saturday evening—too late for accommodation. This is a cause of annoyance to those who should receive their mail matter on Friday.

Court.

Court is in session here this week and Judge Clark is pushing through the docket with his usual promptness. Many witnesses have had to pay costs for not being there on time. Up to this time about 25 cases have been disposed of, some by acquittal some by sci. fa. and some by convictions. In the following cases the parties were found guilty:

Molly Smith plead guilty of f. and a., judgment suspended.

Henry Chambers plead guilty of larceny, judgment suspended.

Oli Hess and Bet Hess plead guilty of a. and b., judgment suspended.

J. B. Trexler, convicted of affray, judgment suspended.

A. A. Sheppard and Sampson Jordon plead guilty of affray, judgment suspended.

Ramsay Hall, convicted of larceny, two months in jail and to be worked by County Commissioners.

About 25 other cases disposed of, some by acquittal and some sci. fa. cases.

Louis Vogler and W. M. Barker, affray, both guilty.

John Hardy, misdemeanor, plead guilty, payment of costs.

The following visiting lawyers are in attendance: B. F. Long, Solicitor; W. M. Robbins and R. F. Armfield of Statesville; T. B. Baily and J. A. Williamson, Mocksville; J. M. Brown, Albermarle.

REV. MR. PEARSON.

How He Looks—How He Preaches—What He is Doing.

Of a build slightly below medium, coal black hair, complexion almost cadaverous, dressed in black, with collar buttoned up close to his chin, so that not a particle of his shirt-front showed, pale, boyish-looking, and fragile, Rev. Mr. Pearson stood up before a thousand people for the first time Sunday night. Every eye rested upon him. A cursory glance at him fails to give any idea of his power. He doesn't look a born leader or a great revivalist. He even appears to be timid, and as he stood up and looked around him, there was a disappointed feeling to be seen in most faces. "Is that Mr. Pearson?" was whispered through the congregation. "He looks like a mere boy," was the low-spoken comment. And if he looked like a boy, and disappointed the congregation by his size and carriage, his first words of prayer were even more disappointing. His voice is thin, not the voice one expects in a man who has succeeded so wonderfully as has Mr. Pearson. It is not strong, deep, nor is it like that of any great preacher ever heard in Raleigh. His prayer was short, but it was full of trusting faith. He didn't CONDESCEND to address the Almighty, but sent up his petition in all humility, but with all faith, and as one who knows that it will be heard. It was not loud. He didn't think the Lord had to be "hollered at." It had a low and trusting tone, that is found only in those who pray much, and believe in the efficacy of prayer.

"Be not deceived, God is not mocked—whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap," were the words chosen as his text. He went to the marrow of his text, and divided the sermon into three heads: First, the certainty of the reaping; second, the reaping will be of the same quality as the sowing; third, the reaping will be in excess of the sowing. These points were elaborated, and made plain by illustration, drawn chiefly from the Bible and every day life. He is clear cut and lucid, and his sermon made a profound impression.

"Wherein lies his power?" we have been asked. The *Chronicle* thinks the secret of his power is to be found in the fact that he believes the truths he preaches. Now, there are many kinds of faith, and most preachers believe what they preach, but not in the sense that Mr. Pearson does. He believes every word in the Bible. He takes it as the rule of life unquestioningly. He believes with all the intensity of his soul. It has taken hold of him and controls his life. So strong is his faith, that it is a part of him. It is incarnate. No man ever moved men who did not believe with all his heart, mind and strength what he preached. Few men's faith is as strong as this; therefore, few men move their fellows. This is true in politics and philosophy, as well as in preaching. Intensity of faith is the secret of Mr. Pearson's power. Accompanying this faith is his knowledge of the Bible. Every argument he makes is clinched with a scriptural quotation. "To the law and to the testimony," is his motto. He has logic in his sermons. He is lawyer-like in his love of and quotation of precedent, and his precedents are drawn from the "Word," as he always calls the Bible. He is a Bible scholar, and has it at his finger's end. His illustrations are apt and striking, sometimes ludicrous. Like all men who believe a solemn truth solemnly, he is in dead earnest. He is direct. He is plain. He is strong. It is possible that he would not be called a great preacher by theologians; but to those who, like Dr. Lyman Beecher, believe that the greatest and best knowledge for preachers to have is "to know how to save souls," he is a great preacher.

Calm, quiet, and deeply in earnest, he looks like "one crying in the wilderness," and his song is as the song of the forerunner of old, "Make ye His paths straight." His face is not unlike that of Alexander Stephens, and his voice is not unlike that of John Randolph. And he is like both these men in that nobody questions that he has power. They might differ as to wherein that power lies, but there is agreement that he possesses it, and that he has gained it by no clap-trap or short-hand methods of trying to save men.

He has a Bible meeting every afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and preaches every night at the First Baptist Church. Large crowds wait upon his ministry, and good results flow from the services.—*Raleigh Chronicle.*

Rev. Mr. Pearson at Raleigh.

Raleigh News-Observer, Nov. 22.

At the First Baptist church Rev. R. G. Pearson, the evangelist, preached one of the most logical and powerful sermons ever delivered in this city. Its burden and object were to establish the Divine authenticity and inspiration of "The Word," as he calls the Bible, for the benefit of those who wanted to doubt it or were skeptical concerning it. The largest audience that ever assembled in the building was present; every seat was occupied before 7 o'clock and the crowds that went away on account of not being able to get in at that time made it look as though a large audience was just leaving the church. Even the vestibule of the church was full of people who strove to catch what the preacher said. The sermon delivered was like lighting up a brilliant chandelier in a dark room. Every matter which had stood or apparently could stand in the way of a full belief in the Bible was resistlessly swept away. The vast audience for the greater part of the time maintained a death-like stillness, though hundreds were standing, that every word might be caught. The power and illustration of the sermon it is impossible to describe. In print it would make a strong and deep impression on any one who read it, but not to such an extent as when delivered by Mr. Pearson. Its force may be faintly realized when it is said that men old in years and wisdom, who had all their lives given little thought to matters of religion and who probably had heard sermon after sermon without feeling or seeing any considerable force in them, melted at this one and professed faith before leaving the building. Such is Mr. Pearson's power and ability in dealing with "The Word" and with luke-warm and unregenerate people.

For the Watchman.

Drops From Rockwell.

Mr. Editor:—Having heard nothing from our Rockwell correspondent for some time, suppose he must have exhausted himself with one piece.

If you will allow me space I will send you a few of the interesting notes until our correspondent recovers.

Farmers are now making fast time in their seeding, but few are through.

Drills are much used for seeding wheat. There are six in a circle of four miles, but these cannot do the work as fast as farmers wish.

Mrs. E. C. B. Hambley is still very low, but we are glad to say she is slowly improving.

Mrs. M. Trexler is slowly recovering from her injuries.

Mr. John Trexler (brother of Rev. H. Trexler) lost a very good horse a few days ago. No cause known.

Beef cattle are both fat and plentiful in this neighborhood. The other day as Mr. John Miller was driving a fine steer home, he became unmanageable and ran through Mr. Henry Miller's house, but came very near ending his mad career in Mrs. Mary Miller's flower pit. Mr. Miller had another brought to-day but he was too well secured to attempt his predecessor's daring feat, being tied by the head and foot and *held by the tail.*

Last Wednesday night some one went through Mrs. Sinker's woods with a torch and dropped a few coals which ignited the leaves, but fortunately was soon discovered and stopped before any serious harm resulted. Beware of torches—there is a *law.*

A chicken thief was caught by Mr. S. Hamton, Wednesday night.

When our last correspondent spoke so freely of fox hunters, we know not why he said nothing about our mink hunter, as Mr. Martin E. Miller has certainly deserved that name. Night after night he has been heard in the thickets chasing them from one den to another. Indeed such havoc among them has he made as to far exceed the fable in Webster's spellar of the cat in the meal tub. We expect that like her he will have to resort to strategem, and like her roll himself up—not in meal—but in a big heap of chicken feathers to get them to come out of their dens.

PLOW BOY.

A fashionably dressed and fine looking man was chased through one of the streets of New York last week for snatching up and running off with a cabbage head. He was run down, caught, and imprisoned to answer for it

MINING DEPARTMENT.

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

Gypsum.

Mr. R. H. Lyon, of Green, N. C., owns a large deposit of gypsum—sulphate of lime—which is a very fine quality. This material is useful as a fertilizer of soils. It enters into the composition of grasses, potatoes and other vegetable growths. Some of these plants will not thrive in soils entirely free from this material. It is also used in many other ways, and this deposit should be utilized in some way at once.

TO DRILL FOR COAL.

W. B. Crews, of Oxford, Granville county, has determined to get a diamond drill for exploring certain coal deposits in that county. Lignite has been found there on the surface, and when it was attempted to sink pits for exploring, it was found that the red sandstone proved too strong and that mode of search was abandoned. This led to the determination referred to and the result will be looked after with much interest.

KAOLIN.

There is considerable enquiry being made for superior grades of kaolin—decomposed feldspar—by parties who propose to establish a porcelain factory in this State. There is no such factory in this country—one devoted to the production of only such ware as is properly called porcelain—and there is no rational reason for the absence of that industry in the United States. There are many places where the ordinary stone china ware is made, but the parties interested in this enquiry have something higher and better in view. Those who may know of deposits of this material of superior grade may communicate with Mr. T. C. Harris, Curator of the State Museum, at Raleigh. It is well known that valuable deposits of this material exists in Iredell, Burke, Guilford and other counties in the State. The owners or controlers of these should take steps to bring them to the public notice.

P. Linehan & Co., of Granite Quarry fame, have taken contract to build 22 miles of the railroad from Henderson to Durham. This will give them greater facilities for shipping their Belgian block and rubble stone. They are doing a big business in this way and the fact that they are able to undertake such work as indicated by the above, shows that granite quarrying is no insignificant business. When will the good people of this county utilize Dunn's mountain? It is superior stone and is convenient to transportation. An organization might be effective in bringing this stone into market. A tram road could be constructed that would answer every purpose, or better still, a wire tram could be built that would deliver in the town as much or little of crushed stone, or of larger size stone, as the demands of the trade might require. This is an important matter and one day it will be a paying business, unless the town should be moved to some more convenient place, which isn't likely.

SAM CHRISTIAN.

Capt. Ramsay, civil engineer, engaged in engineering work at this mine was in town a few days ago, and reports the preliminary work as progressing finely. It is found that the distance the water is to be carried is 10,812 feet (2 miles and 252 feet) and the elevation is something over 400 feet. It will require from 1,500 to 2,000 horse power to elevate the quantity of water that will be required to work the mine. This is a big undertaking and we hope to see it a big success. We will watch the progress of the work with a great deal of interest.