

County Sunday School Conventions will be held at each county-seat in the State on Friday, February 22d, at 10 o'clock.

Mr. John Howard, who was injured last Friday by jumping off the steps of a cab while the train was in pretty rapid motion, is still confined to his bed.

The Raleigh News-Observer publishes a letter from Mr. C. B. Lewis, author of the famous letters over the signature of "M. Quad," in which he proposes to come down from Detroit, Michigan, to write up North Carolina for the benefit of numerous persons at home and abroad.

The last "cold wave" sent the mercury a little lower down at this place than any preceding one of the present winter.

The new Racket Store is now open for trade, and readers of this paper may find it to their advantage to read their ad. in another column.

Monday morning to the surprise of all, the ground was found slightly covered with "beautiful snow." It passed away like a white frost.

Master Theo. Klutz had one of his legs broken Tuesday while playing at school, but we learn is surviving the suffering like a little major.

The entertainment at Meroney's Hall last Tuesday night for the benefit of St. Peter's Chapel was pronounced by all as a very enjoyable affair. The attendance was good.

Mr. William Blackmer, for some weeks filling a clerkship in the Internal Revenue office at this place has resigned, and Maj. Jones has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

The electric lights at the cotton factory were turned on Monday night for the first time and viewed from a distance the factory presented a very bright and pleasant appearance.

It is earnestly desired that there will be a full turnout of our citizens at the Chamber of Commerce meeting to-night, when a permanent organization will be effected and officers elected.

There will be an important meeting of the Pioneer Reel Co. No. 1, to-morrow night at the Mayor's office. A good attendance is requested as matters of importance will be brought up.

For a week past wagons have been passing our office heavily loaded with saw logs for Louier's saw mill. We don't know where the come from, but they are certainly hauling splendid stocks.

The horse exchange in the Farmer's Warehouse lot seems to be well patronized. The swapping of old and spavined horses goes merrily on nearly every day.

The ball to-night at the Boyden House promises to be quite a success. It will be carried on in the old fashioned style, and no doubt will be quite amusing to our younger generation who delight in tripping the light fantastic.

We have heard it stated several times that some of our business men are contemplating putting in an electric light plant for Salisbury, and one of our moneyed men has given it as his opinion that a plant will be in operation here in less than ninety days.

John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia has been so successful in business that he is sometimes called John Money-maker. In accounting for this success he says, "I spend \$5,000 a week in advertising, and I make money by it. Advertising is the leverage by which my store has been raised up."

Messrs. Buell and Preston, the gentlemen from Detroit, Mich., who are traveling through the South on horseback, left Salisbury last Monday, after a stay of a week. They proved themselves very gentlemanly and pleasant acquaintances, and the many friends they made here were loath to see them leave.

Seeing a crowd gathered at the Mansion House corner last Saturday and every moment adding to it, we went over and after pushing and crowding our way in near enough to see what the excitement was, what do you suppose we found? Nothing more or less than a boot-black polishing a gentleman's boots. Verily, we are behind the times.

At the last regular meeting of Elm Grove Alliance No. 966 at Gold Hill, N. C., the following preamble and resolutions were adopted: Whereas we the members of Elm Grove Alliance consider the \$500 tax on all fertilizers sold in the State as class legislation and a tax direct upon the farmers. Therefore we resolve, to request our representatives in the General Assembly to use their utmost endeavors to have the tax repealed. Resolved 2d, that we will not use any fertilizers unless we can get them at the price we paid last fall.

W. L. Douglas, aged about 19 years, son of Wm. Trexler, Sr., was sent on an errand to his brother's house last Friday night, and on coming out was struck on the forehead with a stick by a man who seemed to be waiting for him at the door. The young man knows of no probable cause for the assault. As he fell on the steps, he called to a young man in the house; and on looking, saw his assailant running away.

Death of Mr. Luke Blackmer.

This community was struck with amazement by the fatal illness of this gentleman last Friday morning. He was at the Mayor's office the night before, and took part in the deliberations of citizens who met there for the purpose of forming a Chamber of Commerce.

He was an old man, and through all the many years of his life in Salisbury, he had cheerfully borne his part in enterprises for the benefit of the community, and was willing to do so still; but that he felt that his age and infirmities forbade the acceptance of the position proposed for him.

The deceased was aged about 64 years, and had been a resident lawyer of this place for more than 40 years. He was a native of Massachusetts. He was for many years extensively known as an able lawyer and business man of this town and had the care of weighty matters entrusted to his management.

The last honors were paid to the remains of the deceased from the Episcopal church, of which he was a member, Monday morning last, at 10 o'clock. A large concourse attended the funeral, and his remains were then deposited in the new cemetery on the Harrison lands, near town.

John Howard, a fireman on the Western road, while jumping off of an engine last Friday, sustained some painful wounds and was brought down on the evening train, and carried home. John Henderson, a colored man, (known as stone-cutter John Henderson), excused himself from helping to carry on Council street and the others went on, and the next morning John was found lying dead about thirty yards from where he was left.

While the coroner was holding his inquest, word was brought that John Eagie had killed his wife, but this, upon investigation, was found to be incorrect, although he had committed an assault with a stick of wood on her. He was arrested on a charge of being a nuisance, and was bound over to Court.

This chapter would be incomplete did we not notice the fact that Dr. John Ennis was knocked down on Main street the same morning by a muscovy duck flying against him.

At a meeting of the temporary organization of this body last Thursday night, the committee appointed to draft by laws and constitution reported and the body accepted the report with a number of amendments.

The constitution embodied the usual plan of organization of such bodies and suggested that there be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer and a Board of seven Directors.

A membership fee of \$1.00 is to be charged and there will be dues of 50 cents a quarter for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the organization and to be employed in such a way as the chamber may see proper.

Meetings are to be held the first Thursday in each month and the annual meeting for the election of officers on the first Thursday in February.

A committee was appointed to explain the object and invite persons to join, and also to report at the next meeting of the different interests in Salisbury. A committee was also appointed on permanent organization to report at the next meeting to be held to-night in the Y. M. C. A. B. U.

Fire! Fire!! Fire!!!

"Hear the loud alarm bells—Brazen bells! What a tale of terror, now, their turbulency tells!"

Our citizens were awakened about half-past five o'clock yesterday morning by the ringing of the fire bell, and quickly a crowd was drawn to the Boyden House just too late to be of any assistance, as the fire, which originated in that building, was out before they got there.

It seems that it was rather expected as nearly all the day before smoke was seen to work its way through the joints in the floor in one of the Revenue offices, and it was thought by some that there was fire between the floor and ceiling below; others thought that the smoke had got in from the fire place.

The damage was slight, being mostly due to breaking down plastering and damage to carpets by water. The services of the fire department was not required, although it responded promptly.

Valentine Day.

To-day is St. Valentine's day and the mails are flooded with valentines. We received by this morning's mail a beautiful chromo lithograph picture of ourself, beautifully colored and handsome in design and finish.

The following beautiful poem had been neatly printed on the margin:

By the proof full of errors, you scan, I know very well you're a Union man; For with the Union to lean on, you get as much pay. As the member who does twice as much in a day. You boast of your promptness in meeting each due, But no one soldiers for benefits as much as you do.

County Locals.

The Farmers' Alliance at Rock is still booming. Several cases of measles in this neighborhood.

A mad dog passed through Litaker township last week, biting several other dogs, but was killed before doing much damage.

J. A. Heilig, Esq., deputy organizer of the Farmers' Alliance, has organized a lodge at Sessler's school house in Litaker township.

Mr. J. J. Basinger, our well-to-do rock-cutter, fills orders for rock from Charlotte, Concord, Salisbury and Winston. This looks like Mr. B.'s work gives satisfaction where ever it goes.

Mr. Jacob Shive and family who left Cabarrus county about three months ago and went to Kansas, has returned, and says he will live and die in the Old North State. Mr. Shive is now living in this neighborhood.

Last Thursday night while Luther Yates was wandering about in the vicinity of Rock some unknown person fired several shots at him, two of them taking effect in his left hand. The neighbors think he did the shooting himself.

From all accounts there is a trust formed on commercial fertilizers and the farmers intend to use very little of it this spring. They will do without it before submitting to the robbery. Now, brother farmers lets stand side by side this spring and use little or no guano.

Death of Charles B. Jones.

Col. Charles B. Jones died at his residence in this city, yesterday afternoon at ten minutes of five o'clock of uronic poison.

Col. Jones had been unwell for several months. Business reverses had weighed heavily on his mind, and his trouble had seriously affected his health. Under the strain, his mind gave way and on last Monday, his family physician, H. M. Wilder, who had been called into consultation with the family and friends, decided it best that Col. Jones should be removed to the Asylum at Morganton, in the hopes that the skilled treatment of that institution would soon restore him.

On Thursday the last day he was on the streets. His indomitable will power and exceptional energy had really kept him up when he ought to have been in bed. He grew steadily worse from Monday, when Dr. Wilder first saw him. His kidneys refused to perform their functions, and blood poison set in. The most important part of his career was as editor of the Charlotte Observer. Col. Jones built up that paper to be the leading journal of the State. Two years ago he ran as an independent for Congress against Hon. Alfred Rowland, the Democratic nominee. Col. Jones was defeated. At that time there was considerable party feeling against him, and the Evening Chronicle was changed into a morning daily, most of the support of the Observer was withdrawn, and given to the Chronicle. As the paper was not room for two he was forced to make an assignment. Since then he had devoted his time to settling up his old accounts, there being about \$13,000 due him on the Observer books.—Charlotte Chronicle, Feb. 10.

MARRIED.

At the residence of J. F. Ross, Feb. 13th, by Rev. F. J. Murdoch, Mr. Edward L. Parrott of Calhoun, Ga., to Miss Rose M., daughter of Mr. Wm. Howard, of this place.

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THE ATTRACTIONS of the Racket with our new stock rolling in daily, are very much more than usual. Recent heavy purchases warrant us in saying we never offered so many inducements to buyers as we shall offer for the Spring Trade.

On March 1st we shall inaugurate a sale of all kinds of harness, embracing everything in a first-class stock suited to the wants of the farmers, livermen, and all parties using harness, saddles, bridles, collars, whips, &c., embracing about 2,000 sets of first-class harness, single and double. This sale will continue until May 1st, and offers the best opportunity to buy first-class harness for a small amount of money ever offered in Charlotte.

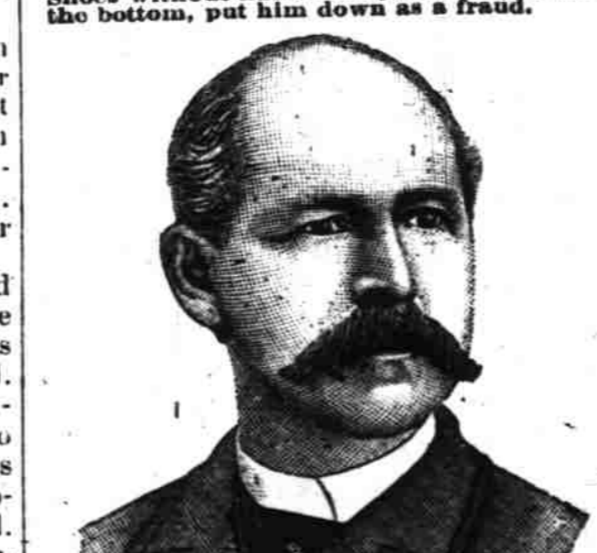
We are selling merchandise to meet the wants of our trade, and as merchants, know no reason why we should hesitate to handle any and all lines in which we can save money to the consumers. The saving of three dollars on three thousand sets of harness amounts to \$3,000 dollars. This sale will save more than that to consumers of harness. We will give you extended notice of this sale in due time. We have added to the stock of the Racket 5,000 rolls of Wall Paper, which we shall sell for 6 cents per roll and up, all put up in double rolls, and embracing the newest patterns made.

We expect to open and offer to our trade within the next ten days over two car loads of glass and queen's ware, which we propose to offer at a great sacrifice, until the line is closed out. Goods are rolling in now daily, and it will be next to an impossibility to give you an idea of the hundred of lines we are receiving. Two hundred pieces Pacific Diagonals and Plain Worsted at the unheard of prices of 10 cents per yard, 200 yds. slightly damaged by water, from \$1.00 to \$2.00 each, worth three times the money. Over 500 pieces of White Goods from 5 cents per yard up.

The finest line of Hamburgs we have ever offered, and there is no such thing as competition, with the price we give on these line goods, for the reason we bought these at a price very much below the cost of importation. One case Fruit of the Loom at 9 cents per yard. One case yard wide bleaching at 8 cents per yard—magnificent goods. One case of bleaching, fully equal to the Fruit, at 9 cents per yard. One case 3-4 bleaching at 5 cents per yard. Fifty pieces of Carpet just added to our stock with 200 Rugs. Splendid line of Ingrain Druggets, all sizes. Felt Druggets Shell and Table Oil Cloths, makes our Carpet Department one of the great attractions. Prints of all the latest shades.

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