

The subscription rates of The Carolina Watchman are...

Chamber of Commerce meeting to-morrow night.

Rev. Frank E. Shober and family are visiting relatives here.

Lieut. Henderson, of the United States Navy, is in town visiting friends and relatives.

Capt. John A. Runney returned from Washington last Saturday, where he has been prospecting.

There was a report on the street yesterday that "Ramsay" had been appointed postmaster here.

Mr. E. K. James will run a well equipped bus regularly to all trains from the Boyden House, commencing to-morrow morning.

Considerable apprehension was felt for the fruit crop last Saturday and Sunday nights, but there was no frost and the crop is safe so far.

Dr. Rump will be absent next Sunday attending the Presbytery at Mooresville, consequently there will be no services at the Presbyterian church.

The trained horse show which exhibited here last Friday was pronounced by most all in attendance to have been a good show for the money.

Some of our farmers had lively times during the high wind last Saturday with their clearing up fires but we have heard of little damage being done.

Two hundred negroes in a special train from the neighborhood of Salem and Winston passed through Salisbury last Thursday on their way to Mississippi.

On our first page to day will be found a striking and instructive illustration of the comparative worth of the various kinds of baking powders now in the market.

There will be a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to-morrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock. Business of importance is to be transacted and a full meeting is desired.

The Postmaster at Salisbury is still "deboss" of Uncle Sam's postal business here, notwithstanding the persistent efforts made to depose him by indefatigable aspirants.

A protracted meeting is in progress at the Methodist church. Services at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and 8 o'clock at night. Rev. Mr. Byrd is assisted by Rev. Jesse Page of Concord, an able and interesting preacher.

Sp't, Sp't, Fizz is the tune that Steere, Wells & Co.'s new soda fountain is singing now. If the proof of the pudding is in the eating then the proof of the soda must be in the drinking, which has proved to us that it is excellent.

Three Pullman horse cars passed through Salisbury last Saturday on the way to Washington. The cars contained a number of fine race horses the property of Mr. S. S. Brown and were on their way to take part in the Ivy City races.

Mr. W. H. Reiser is having gratifying sales at his jewelry establishment and a great many persons are taking advantage of the present low prices of his wares and are laying in everything in his line that they need. Readad in another column.

The rush at Schultz's store still continues and the gentlemanly proprietor and his clerks are kept busy. He is drawing customers from this whole section and the sales are greater than ever before at this season of the year. See his advertisement.

Tuesday was the 9th of April, an eventful date. A date that will be remembered by the Southern people so long as anything Southern remains. Twenty four years ago last Tuesday, Gen. Lee surrendered at Appomattox Court House, Va.

Miss Ednorah Nahar has given two entertainments in this place within the past week, to pretty large audiences, mostly of colored people. Her recitations are certainly very well done, and her stage action unsurpassed by any who have appeared in Opera Hall for years.

For good goods, truthfully represented we commend to your special attention the stock of O. B. Van Wyck whose store is so well and favorably known to all residents of this section. Mr. Van Wyck's customers are increasing in number every day and when you are in need of anything in the dry goods line go where your money is returned to you in value every time. Read his new advertisement.

The Georgia Home Insurance company, J. Rhodes Browne President, and J. Allen Brown, agent, is doubtless as safe and as liberal a company as there is in the country. Mr. Browne, the president, was once a citizen of this town for several years, and made numerous friends by his integrity in business affairs, and by his rectitude in all the relations of life. He has grown up with the city of Columbus, Ga., and for a number of years has been prominent there as one of the leading men of the place. The company of which he is president incorporated 1850, deserves the confidence and patronage of all who wish to insure.

A correspondent of the Charlotte Chronicle writing from Salisbury says that Salisbury wants to be recognized in the State Bismarck League; that G. A. Bingham has the inside track on the Internal Revenue Collectors of this district and that a wet ticket for Alderman and Mayor is out.

And we now know that spring hath come, for with an aspect meek, men go about with down-cast look—in fact have lost their cheek; for home is not a home to them, the cleaning fiend's arrived and what shall cheer a drooping heart of home's delights deprived? When from each gaping window is flopped the mats and rugs, and the cord-holes of the old-time bed are smeared with stuff for bugs; when carpets ornament the yard the parlor one in front, and every room doth smell of soap, as spring-scrubbed rooms are wont; the house is helter-skelter, topsy-turvy, up in arms; in which condition, as a home a house doth lose its charms.

Mr. C. D. Wolf is now canvassing our town for the sale of "Bible Reading for the Home Circle," a book of many new and desirable features, especially as aiding the reader in gathering Bible instruction on any given subject. The work is admirably gotten up on super-calendered paper and profusely illustrated. As an aid to the proper study of the Bible it will be found very useful.

Country Ball. There will be a Grand Country Ball at the Byden House on Easter Monday, the 22d inst., at which there will be a clog dance by a 13 year old girl and a 9 year old boy; also a break-down match by two ladies and two gentlemen, these are said to be the best dancers in the country. Spectators will be admitted for a small entrance fee.

Dr. J. B. Council will be floor manager and James Barkeet is to be general manager.

Writing School. The writing school of Mr. G. P. Jones closed last Friday. We were asked to act as one of the judges in awarding the prize for the greatest improvement, which was found difficult to do on account of the improvement of all, but the judges awarded the prize to L. M. Gaskill, and desired that special mention should be made of J. F. Gaither and L. L. Atwell.

Taken as a whole we have never seen more marked improvement in writing in one session's instructions than was shown by the pupils of Mr. Jones.

"In the Midst of Life We are in Death." William Owens a well known engineer on the Western road was found dead in his bed Tuesday morning in Asheville. For two weeks past he had been running between Asheville and Hot Springs, retired Monday night apparently well. When the servant called him Tuesday morning he received no answer, and upon approaching the bed found him asleep in death.

He had been in the employ of the road for a number of years, first in the shops, where he was regarded as a superior machinist, and then on the road. As an engineer he was classed by the railroad authorities among the most reliable, because of his fidelity to duty, his quiet and unobtrusive manner, and moral character. His remains were brought here on the 6-42 train Tuesday afternoon and carried to his home four miles from town. He leaves a wife and twelve children.

Montgomery, the Narrows, &c., &c.

Messrs. A. H. Byden, Hon. John S. Henderson and T. J. Sumner have just returned from a pleasant trip to Montgomery county, taking a visit to the Narrows, Figgstown Gold Mines, etc. The lovers of nature in her wild and unmarred features, can hardly fail to enjoy a trip in the section indicated. Hills and valleys, plains and fields, rocks and rippling streams, tall trees and far reaching native forests greet the eye of the traveller. Numerous beautiful views may be obtained from some of the high hills near the Narrows, notably from "Palmer's Mountain," and from the airy perch of Mr. John Cotton's residence, "Fair View," as it is called.

This section was once the home of a population of revolutionary heroes. The people were staunch Whigs in those trying times, and bore well their part in the struggle for independence. They were sturdy yeomanry—farmers—and some of them grew rich by the cultivation of the soil. Of this number may be mentioned the Crumps, the Harrises, the Penningtons, the Forests, the Chisolms and others. It was before the discovery of gold in that section, in 1823 or '24—always unfavorable to agricultural interests—and before the introduction of railroads in the State, which brought innovations to the social condition of the people in the sections through which they passed, creating sharp contrasts between them and the sections remote from their influence. Montgomery was abreast with other counties in the State when artificial advantages between them were equal; and if she is not so now, it is fairly chargeable to the lack of railroads, which have for years exerted their influence in other portions of the country. Her natural resources are great, and when they shall be fully developed, as we doubt not they will be, she will become one of the most attractive sections in the State. That portion of the county, west of Eldorado is destined to become a famous section and the home of wealth and culture. The immediate neighborhood of the Narrows, above and below that attractive place, once the paradise of the red man, will in time become the earthly paradise of their superior race, who will make it bloom with undreamed-of splendor.

Carp. The question often comes up where have the fine carp, that are occasionally caught in the Yadkin River near Salisbury come from. We have heard it asserted several times, and also heard it contradicted, that the government placed a great many young carp in the Yadkin River at the railroad bridge several years ago. To satisfy ourselves on this point we wrote to the Fish Commissioner and this is his reply:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5th 1889. In reply to yours of March 25th. I beg to say that 600 carp were deposited by the U. S. Commission in the Great Pee Dee River, near Society Hill, N. C., on December 21st, 1885. The Yadkin River being a tributary of the Great Pee Dee, the fish have no doubt distributed themselves throughout both streams. The presence of carp in these waters is undoubtedly due to the plant made by the U. S. Fish Commission in 1885.

Marshall McDonald, Commissioner. We are more inclined to think that the stocking of the Yadkin river is due more to the breaking away of the ponds of W. R. Fraley and others than to the cause assigned above.

Attested Popularity. There has been recently a good deal of discussion as to the relative value of the various blood purifiers on the market. As only articles of genuine merit can hold the good will of the public and be steadily in demand, it would be an easy matter to investigate and determine which one was in the lead. A reporter of the WATCHMAN called a few days ago on the various druggists of this city to ascertain which remedy of the large number advertised had the largest sale.

Mr. B. W. Wells, of the firm of Steere, Wells & Co., was first called on. He said: "We manufacture a blood remedy of our own which we of course push; outside of this the B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm), manufactured in Atlanta, is perhaps the most called for. It certainly falls behind none, so far as sales and general satisfaction are concerned."

Dr. Jno. H. Ennis was next interviewed by the reporter. The Dr. said: "Botanic Blood Balm is certainly the most popular remedy of the kind we handle. Its sales for the past two years has been largely in excess of any other remedy of the kind on the market."

Dr. Cicero Barker, of the firm of Klutz & Co., was next called on. He said: "We sell a number of blood purifiers and believe that B. B. B. gives as good satisfaction as any."

This last interview completed the reporter's task and he returned to his desk satisfied of the wide popularity of B. B. B. The druggists were unanimous in their praise of this truly great remedy. There are a number of persons in Rowan who have been permanently cured by this preparation, of terrible diseases. A few experience talks would not be amiss and we will some time in the future give them for the benefit of the afflicted.

County Locals.

[By our Correspondents.] FRANKLIN.

On last Saturday the wind blew almost a hurricane all day, making it exceedingly disagreeable and dangerous to be out of doors. We learn that fire broke out in several quarters, doing considerable damage to forests, fences, etc., but no buildings were burned so far as heard from.

On Friday, 5th inst., it was discovered early in the morning that Reuben Clark, an old colored tenant on the Marsh plantation, had, during the night, left for parts unknown, taking his family and personal effects with him, the latter all being under chattel mortgage to Mr. T. M. Rice. There is no known cause for Reuben's exodus. He was considered a harmless, honest man, and was respected in the neighborhood. He had managed, however to get largely in debt, and had been a good deal harassed by his creditors, finally giving a mortgage on all his household property, and indeed, everything he had, including a cow and calf, all of which he seems to have taken with him.

The writer had 145 small carp in a barrel sunk in the pond, awaiting orders for shipment. Early one morning, on approaching the place, he saw a mink swim across to the barrel. It climbed to the top and slid down inside, immediately re-appeared with a fish in his mouth and swam across and went under a large log. The writer got his gun, and had waited but a few moments when minkey swam across and to the barrel again. He waited till it got on top, then fired, killing it. On examination it was found that out of 145 carp only 17 remained, the mink having destroyed 128—all done in about twenty-four hours. Don't leave fish in a vessel that is not properly secured at the top. This is the third time the writer has lost fish out of the same barrel.

MILLERTOWN.

Mr. D. W. Morgan is having his horse finished and a good deal of painting done. We have had a few cases of mumps and measles, but they are about played out.

The farmers of our neighborhood are planting corn and fixing their cotton crops for the year.

E. Miller & Co., are making some fine whiskey at their distillery, the best, in fact ever made in Morgan township.

Wheat and oats are looking very fine. Mr. Joseph A. Miller has a seven-acre field on the premises of Richard Parker the finest looking piece ever known on his plantation. It will hide a rabbit anywhere.

Sold Again. The neatest swindle we have ever seen did up Salisbury last Friday to the tune of one hundred or more dollars.

He commenced operations by driving up Main street and occasionally throwing out a handful of nickels. In this way he gathered a crowd near the public square, and after doing two or three slight-of-hand tricks and selling dollars at seventy-five cents and half dollars at twenty-five cents, he announced that he had several different kinds of medicine which he would sell in five classes and at half price; the first would be 25 cents, the second 50 cents, the third \$1, the fourth \$2 and the fifth \$5, and that he would give a present to every one buying the medicines. After disposing of some twenty-five or thirty bottles of the twenty-five cent stuff he announced that \$10 would not buy another bottle, and to every one that had bought a bottle he gave 35 cents. He then commenced on a dentifrice at 50 cents per box, and after selling a good many announced that he would not sell another box for \$10, and then gave each one that had bought a box 75 cents. By this time he had a great many that wanted to patronize him, and when he offered boxes of another kind for sale at \$1, there was a big scramble to get them and he could hardly take the money in fast enough. After every one that wanted it had been supplied, he presented each one with a small bottle of what he called a catarrh remedy, and then left.

Such humbugs ought to be sent to the penitentiary, and any person allowing himself to be taken-in in such a way ought to be tapped for the similes.

Rowan the Banner County on Sunday Schools.

We copy the following extract from the proceedings of the State Sunday School Convention, recently held in Charlotte, from which it will appear that Rowan leads the State in the number and efficiency of her Sabbath schools.

T. P. Johnson, secretary, made the report from Rowan county. When he had finished reading it, the President pronounced it "an extraordinary report."

It gave a summary of the reports to the last County Convention, at which only 32 out of 54 schools were represented, for the reason given below: Officers, 142; teachers 363; scholars, 3,375; number joining the church, 205; contributions, \$821.70 library volumes, 3,256.

As the reports to the County Convention were incomplete, the Secretary, from facts in his possession, compiled a report giving the actual showing for the county as follows: Officers, 236; teachers, 612; scholars, 5,692, number joining the church, 291 contributions, 1,324. Secretary Johnson's report says further:

Owing to the fact of our last "County Convention" being held in a remote corner of our county, there was not a large representation, and consequently, but an incomplete report of the work actually performed. Out of the 54 schools in the county, but 32 were represented, by either delegates or written reports.

These 32 schools reported as follows: The "International" lesson is almost universally used. A large number of schools are "evergreen," and others are becoming so, and we are glad to report an increased interest in the work among our people generally, as "evinced by greater punctuality and liberality."

Our officers for the year 1888 and 1889 are: Rev. W. A. Lutz, President, Enochville, N. C. Thos. P. Johnson, Secretary, Salisbury, N. C. W. L. Klutz, Treasurer, Salisbury, N. C.

We also have an Executive Committee for the county, composed, "for convenience sake," of the pastors of our city churches, and superintendents of city Sunday schools, who have authority to act for the best interest of the schools, and who call our County Conventions, the next of which, The Seventeenth, meets in Salisbury this summer.

Sabbath Desecration.

There were two sermons delivered in this place Sunday on Sabbath desecration—one by Rev. Mr. King, pastor of the Lutheran church, and the other by Dr. Rump, of the Presbyterian church, from Exodus xvii:27—the last four words of the verse concerning the people who went out to gather manna on the Sabbath—and they found none.

Sabbath desecration is a stupendous crime in a country professing Christianity. Our government leads off in it, by sending out the mails, thus compelling at least a hundred thousand postal agents to break the Sabbath, and also by requiring railroad and other carriers to convey the mails, not less than half a million men are coerced into breaking the Sabbath. And yet the President annually exhorts the people to appear before God with prayer and thanksgiving for his mercy! The government systematically and regularly tramples one of the plainest and most emphatic laws of God under foot and yet presumes upon his forbearance and mercy! If this is not mockery, what is it? And shall a nation thus offending go unpunished and uncorrected? When was it ever so?

As a fruitful result of Sabbath desecration by the General Government it may be expected that the people of the country will attach small value to the restrictions put upon them by the laws of the United States. The New York Star of the 8th reports at length the base ball game played in that city last Sunday, and says the sport was largely attended. This is certainly but little less disgraceful than the cock fighting and bull baiting of Mexico and South America, where the Sabbath has long been a set day for crude and debasing sports.

Testimonial.

Messrs. Steere, Wells & Co., Salisbury, N. C., DEAR SIR:—I have used several different preparations for worms among my children but can truly say that your WORM CONQUERER is the best I have ever used. Yours truly, C. H. McKEITHAN, Rowan county, N. C.

BALTIMORE MILLINERY STORE. <OPENING> OF <SPRING MILLINERY.> THE FINEST LINE OF HATS, BONNETS, RIBBONS, FLOWERS, LACES, &c. ARE NOW ON EXHIBITION AT THE NEW MILLINERY STORE OF MRS. SUE V. FLEMING, OVER BOSTIAN & McCANLES' STORE, April 4th.

PIANOFORTE TUNING FOR SALISBURY.

Mr. OWEN H. BISHOP (pupil of Dr. Marx, Professor of Music at Berlin University, and Monsieur Benetz of Paris) has come from England and settled close to Salisbury, and is prepared to tune, regulate and repair Pianos, Organs and Pipe Organs. Having had fifteen years' practical experience in England, Ladies and gentlemen, who wish their musical instruments carefully and regularly attended to, may rely upon having thorough and conscientious work done if they will kindly favor O. H. B. with their esteemed patronage. Lining near town, no traveling expenses will be incurred, and therefore the terms will be low; viz: \$2.50 per pianoforte, if tuned occasionally, or \$9 for three tunings in one year. Please apply for further particulars by postal card or note left at this office. N. B.—Schumann says: "It is the falsest economy to allow any pianoforte to remain untuned, as it ruins both instrument and ear."

Racket Store CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Most people in range of Charlotte understand the rule and law of our business. We master it when we buy and make our bargains make our business. We mastered the Harness when we took the very large lot to be sold in the next 60 days. Forty-three set went out in one day. Write for price list or see our stock for you can buy a good set of single Harness with breast collar for \$5.75, and the same Harness with collar and harness \$6.75. A good set double Wagon Harness \$15.65, and all kinds of Harness in proportion. Saddles from \$1.90 up to \$10.00, everything in the Harness line equally cheap. 300 J. B. Stetson & Sons fine Hats which will cost you \$4.50 to \$5.00 to buy, at \$3. and \$3.50. Of course we cannot duplicate the Hats at the price and cannot give them to you again, for these had to go for dollars and we sell goods as we buy them. Well, when these are out, and that won't be long, we will give you something else, it may be as good, as cheap, or cheaper. We are running a line of Pearl Derby Hats now at \$1.00, priced by the factory that made them at \$2.50 to \$3.50. They did not get it however as the Sheriff by the inexorable law of his hammer knocked the entire lot of 200 dozen down to us and they go to our trade at \$1.00. This plays havoc with our neighbors who are selling Hats but we cannot help it, consumers must be protected, and if the merchant does not do it, who will? We understand the interest of the merchant behind his counter to be identified and joint with the customer in front. And the merchant who does not make it so has missed his calling. The old time hundred per center laughs at the idea and says it is folly. We are dependent upon the public for patronage. How can we get that? We say by giving them the best possible values for the least money, that it pays to sell goods cheap, it fills our house with buyers, builds up the volume of our business, makes us hundred and thousands of little profits, beating your few big ones an hundred fold. The greater the volume of our business, the smaller the profits we can afford to take. We sold the Berwanger stock at half price, closing it out in a few weeks. We saved the public \$10,000 on it and we did very well. We sold the Rytenburg stock of \$20,000 for half.—Saved the public \$10,000 more. During 33 months we have cut the price on thousands of things to half and less. Why ask the question how it is our trade grows and grows and grows? Respectfully, W. J. & E. M. DAVIS.

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The tenderest cord in the Human Breast is struck when you touch a mans pocket-book and I want to sing you a song that will not take long; that will get you to crying, if you have been buying before O. B. VanWyck trying.

We offer to duplicate any bill of goods, or meet any prices on any thing in Charlotte, Richmond, Baltimore or Philadelphia. We can't duplicate any baits, thrown out to catch the eye of the innocent, unsuspecting, honest Southerner but any legitimate prices we will, can, and do meet every day.

We bought a big stock and are bound to sell, and if we trample on anybody's toes by underselling them, show your big-heartedness and Christian charity by just attributing it to our ignorance. We don't know any better, so here is at you:

- Alamance as heretofore, 5c. Good Cottonades, 12 1/2c. Calicoes, the Best, 7 1/2c. Sateens worth 15c. at 10 and 12 1/2. French Sateens, the best in town, 25c. Gingham, as good as any, 8 1/2c. Plaid Nainsooks, 6 1/2c. 25 doz. 3-4 yd. square fine Linen Napkins at 1.39. Linen Table Sets—12 Napkins, 3 yds Damask—at 3.00. 70 inch Linen Damask, cost more to import than we ask. Bleached 10-4 sheeting lower than any other house in town. Curtain poles with brass ends, just in, 35c. Handsome Gilded poles worth 1.25 only 87 1/2c. Ladies Fancy Hose, New Style, big line, from 5c to 1.50 per pair. Children's Lisle Thread Ribbed Hose at 15c, worth 30. 50 dozen Towels, a big job, your choice for 25c.

Every color in Dress Goods from an elephant's breath to a monkey's grunt.

- 46 inch all wool Henriettas, 69c. 40 inch all wool Henriettas, 49c. 36 inch Henriettas 15, 25 and 35c. 40 inch all wool Diagonals, 39c.

We are bound to sell; anybody can sell as low as us if they would, but they won't. We hear of men every day who say they made big money last year; we did not. They are able to carry over their goods; we are not. We made very little last year, and will be satisfied with less this, so come along and at least give us a white man's show. We can't sleep when we cheat folks, and we ain't lost a night's sleep in two years.

Yours Anxious to please. O. B. Van Wyck, Leader in Latest Styles and Lowest Prices.

BUY the BEST Fowle's Majority 15,000. WE promised the people that if Judge Fowle was elected Governor of North Carolina, we would sell Goods 10 per cent. less than any House in Salisbury. Look at This: \$6.00 Suits reduced to \$4.00. 7.00 " " " 5.00. 10.00 " " " 8.00. 20c. double-width Dress Goods 12 1/2c. White Blankets \$1.00 per pair. Good Brogan Shoes \$1.00 per pair. THE CHEAPEST LINE OF DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, HATS & SHOES, GROCERIES. CROCKERY. In Salisbury. Do not take our word for it but come and see for yourselves. Respectfully, O. B. JULIAN & CO.

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