

The subscription rates of the Carolina Watchman are...

Register before Saturday if you want to vote in the railroad election.

Will overcoats were comfortable Monday and fires not uncomfortable.

Friday night (21st) is the third anniversary of that notable earthquake.

Last week was a thronged time in Salisbury, and much business was done.

Four negro prisoners were taken this week from the county to the Penitentiary.

There will be communion services in the Presbyterian church in this place Sunday morning next.

Judge McElver added to the list of witnesses at the Penitentiary last week the amount of half dozen.

The Rowan County Sunday School assembly met in the Presbyterian church in this place to-day.

Several of our merchants leave this week and the first of next for the Southern market to lay in goods.

Rev. Mr. Lutz was absent last Sunday assisting the pastor of the Methodist church of Concord in special services.

Prof. J. B. Cook of the Concord Standard spent a few days in town this week attending to the Lutheran Synod.

Consumers are getting in a supply of coal and wood. The prices of wood has advanced a little. Coal about the same as last year.

Gov. Fowle, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Helen Fowle, passed through town Tuesday night on their way to Hot Springs.

The picnic of the Smiths Alliance No. 1397 has been postponed indefinitely owing to a called meeting of the County Alliance in the same date.

Saturday is the last day the registration book will be open, and if you don't register before that time you cannot vote at the railroad election.

Is there any other agency that does more to advance and promote the growth of a town than a well conducted newspaper?

S. B. Colley, one of the Confederate veterans in line last Thursday, wore on his watch chain five bullets that had been cut out of his body.

One of our farmers in the lower end of the county besides raising other stock is raising black cats for sale, and has them of all sizes and ages.

There will be preaching at Salem E. church, Rowan County, next Sunday, at 11 o'clock by Rev. C. B. Miller, and at 4 o'clock by Rev. Strickler.

Dr. Rungie and family returned from flowing back last Saturday, and we regret to learn that Miss Linda Lee, his accomplished daughter, is confined to bed with fever.

At the examination of the teachers in attendance at the county teachers institute last week Mr. C. R. Owens received highest mark. Five of the teachers averaged above 90.

Mrs. Sarah Halyburton, who lived in Salisbury more than twenty years, until two years ago died of cancer at the residence of her son-in-law Mr. L. L. Lutz, in Winston, on Friday 23d inst.

In a visit to Thompson's shops yesterday we found all hands at work on an order for 250 window sash and a large number of doors for a firm in Anderson, S. C. Good work is always in demand.

Mr. Joseph Correll had a snare drum at the reunion of the veterans last Thursday that has been in his possession since 1861. The snare differs from the present style of drums, being longer and larger.

Mr. John Henry Farabart, a former citizen of this town, and well known to all residents died of typhoid fever, at Bryson City in Davidson county, on the 26th inst. His remains were brought here for burial.

Rev. Mr. Peschaw, of Wilmington President of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, preached an interesting sermon to a large congregation at the church of that denomination here on Sunday morning.

The entertainment given at Meroney's hall last Thursday and Friday nights, for the benefit of the Methodist parsonage was a financial success and the audience had a good laugh and seemed to enjoy it immensely.

Miss Bessie Neely who accompanied the teachers on their excursion across the ocean remained in London with some of the party for a few days longer on sight-seeing. Most of the party are back and report a delightful trip.

Charlotte will vote in November on an appropriation of ninety thousand dollars for the purpose of Macadamizing the streets. Also a bid of fifty thousand dollars as an inducement to get the Charlotte and Southern Railroad to come to town.

Charlotte is already heavily indebted, the result of voting subscriptions for railroads, but she knows the good of railroad facilities and is willing to shoulder the further responsibilities in order that she may continue to hold prestige as the foremost city in Western North Carolina.

Mr. J. B. Lanier's canning factory may be put down as one of the biggest concerns on that line in the South, and it is only necessary to visit the factory and observe the extreme care with which fruits and vegetables are assorted and handled to be convinced of the superiority of his goods.

Rowan should have been represented at the fruit fair held at Winston last week. She can show hands with any county in the State in the line of fine fruits. The fair was the largest ever held in the State, and was success in every way, so we learn.

Dr. Isaac Taylor, first assistant physician to Western North Carolina Insane Asylum, well known in this section for his superior professional attainments, went to Raleigh last week to take charge of the Eastern Asylum till the board of directors shall elect a superintendent to take the place of Dr. Grissom.

Prof. McIver will deliver an address in the Court House, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, on the subject of "The relation of the people to the public Schools." Judging from what we have seen of Prof. McIver, as an instructor, we should say this will be a treat and every one who can should go. All are invited.

Henry Winford who was convicted of burglary last week at our court was sentenced to be hanged on October 25th. The probabilities are that his sentence will be commuted, as we learn that the Judge, Solicitor, Jury and all the members of the bar signed a petition to the Governor asking such action on account of the age of the boy. Should the sentence be carried out we sincerely hope to our commissioners, should they decide to execute the sentence in public, will have it done outside of town and not compel those of our citizens who live opposite the jail to leave home to escape from seeing the necessary preparations attending such an execution and perhaps the sight itself.

The Fireman's Picnic will take place Sept. 4th, without fail, at Mr. A. L. Hall's.

The Curse of the Nation.

The attention of the reader is invited to a sermon by Dr. Talmage on the first page of this paper under the above caption. And if any one can answer or disprove any or all of its points, the columns of the WATCHMAN are at his service, if the answer be pertinent and argumentative.

North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Session at St. John's, Salisbury.

The object of this special session was to consider a new constitution with view to adoption, and also to examine candidate C. A. Brown, and ordain him to the sacred office of the Gospel ministry. The ordination ceremony was performed last night, Rev. W. A. Lutz preaching the ordination sermon.

There are about thirty-five or forty ministers connected with the N. C. Synod. Only about half of these were present at the call session. Most of the lay delegates were in attendance.

Fodder Pulling.

This is one of the severest labors of the farm, and the time for it is at hand. Some excellent farmers are of the opinion that stripping the stalks of its blades injures the ears, so that, due allowance being made for the labor of pulling fodder and saving it, there is very little, if anything, made by pulling fodder. We mention these as suggested questions involved in the subject, but offer no opinion of our own. We do think, however, that a cheaper provender may be produced by cultivating grasses, and in this connection would invite special attention to the growth of alfalfa, of which an account was published in our last issue. Grass may be easily harvested with the mower, and would save the health and strength of the farmer and his laborers.

Fire.

The excellent residence of Mr. Moses L. Bean, in the West Ward, of this place, was burned to the ground Thursday night last, between 8 and 10 o'clock. It was a large two story house, insured for \$2,000. The fire originated in a back room used as a cook kitchen, and as too often happens, was probably due to something about the stove pipe where it entered the chimney. This room was separated by a door from the rooms ordinarily occupied by the family, and the fire was not discovered before it had run up between the ceiling and the chimney and made too great headway to be arrested by the family with the means at their command. They gave alarm, and the neighbors, Mr. Weber, Mr. Able Covan, the Messrs. Watson, McCubbins, and others, were quickly on the ground, but seeing it impossible to save the building, did what they could to bring out the furniture, which was mostly saved. Mrs. Bean, having gone to bed before the fire was discovered, made a hasty retreat with the children of the family. She also had in her hand a drawer or box containing papers and money, but it was jostled out of her hand and part of its contents lost—a pocket book with a considerable sum was lost.

The real companies, the "Pioneer" ahead of the rest, were on the ground in time to be too late, owing no doubt to delay in giving the alarm, and to the distance (1,500 yards) to be traveled. But after arrival and trial, it was found that the horse lacked about 50 yards in length to reach the fire, and were of no practical value.

Providence Township and the Yadkin Railroad.

'Tis said that the people of Providence township will not vote for the \$1,000 subscription to the Yadkin railroad because the township will not receive any benefit from the road and that it will increase the township taxes. Now, let us see! In 1888 the whole taxable value of real and personal property in the township was \$281,315. It is about the same this year. This amount taxed at the rate of 65 cents on the \$100 of valuation (what was paid) made \$1,848.05. So it is fair to say she will pay this much this year. Well, the tax on \$4,000 bonds, she will vote for, at 5 per cent. interest, amounts to just \$200 more per year. This added to the present tax makes \$2,048.05 she would have to pay.

Now, the township will have not less than five miles of the Yadkin railroad through the township. For the road to run from near Dunn's mountain to Dutch Second Creek, the township lines, is just about five miles.

Again, this road will be taxed like other roads—at \$5,000 per mile for the road-bed and \$5,000 per mile for the rolling stock, \$10,000 per mile for the five miles is \$50,000. This at 65 cents on the \$100 is \$325. Take this from the whole tax of \$2,048.05 and we have left \$1,723.05 that the township will have to pay as against \$1,848.05, a saving in tax of \$125 and get the railroad. Whereas, if the railroad is voted down the township will have the old tax to pay and have no railroad. In other words, the yearly taxes have been about \$1,848.05, the township's quota, and if she gets an advance of \$50,000 in her taxable valuation at the same rate would make more than her quota of the taxes paid, and hence she will get credit for the extra amount and each individual will have less to pay each year. If she does not vote for the road she will not get it but it will be built entirely in Gold Hill and Morgan townships.

This is enough, not to say a word about the general enhancement of her lands, mines, timber, population, &c. Again, she would lose the benefit of a depot that would be located in the township. Thus we have every reason in the world why Providence should turn out, register and vote for the subscription to the enterprise in which she has so large and important an interest.

Veterans' Reunion.

The first annual reunion of the Rowan county Confederate veterans took place last Thursday. About ten o'clock a. m. the line was formed with a drum and five corps in the lead, followed by the fire department, and took up the line of march for Harrison's grove, where a bountiful dinner was served and speeches were made by Maj. Robbins and A. H. Boyden. After dinner it was resolved to create a relief fund for the benefit of Rowan county disabled soldiers, and a relief committee composed of Lt. Col. Jno. A. Ramsay, Maj. Jno. Beard and Chaplain J. F. Tuttle, was appointed. D. A. Atwell, A. E. Sherrill and C. R. Barker were appointed as a central finance committee, and the Captain, 1st Lieutenant and Orderly Sergeant of each company were appointed as township finance committees to report on the first Thursday in January, 1890.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the thanks of the Rowan Veteran Association are heartily tendered to Commissary Price and Commissary Sergeant Lipe, and especially to the ladies of Salisbury and surrounding country for their interest and assistance in making this, our first reunion, a pleasant success.

About 40 veterans were in line. The next annual reunion is to be held on the first Thursday in September 1890.

DEATH OF MRS. M. W. OVERMAN.

A pure and lovely woman gone to her glorious reward. Died in this city after an illness of eighteen days, MARY W. OVERMAN, wife of Chas. A. Overman, and grand daughter of the late Rev. Robt. Drake, D. D. of Wilmington, N. C. Mrs. Overman was a Marylander by birth, but for the past seven years she had lived mostly in North Carolina. In character she was all that was lofty and beautiful, being rarely gifted in heart and brain, possessing charming intellectuality. She was graceful and unobtrusive in manner, and all who knew her were drawn to her by an irresistible magnetism; and wherever she lived her influence for good was felt. Her daily life was spotless as a lily, and her work and testimony for the blessed Master was felt. In boarding houses in different cities where she sometimes sojourned, she drew many to the feet of Jesus by her spiritual walk and advice. She has passed into the "Light," and her memory is blessed.

The tariff on wool is having the effect of stopping the woolen mills. Says the Raleigh News-Observer:

About a week ago we printed a list of recent failures in that branch of business. Since then other mills have succumbed. In Rhode Island the Wauregan Company, which had two mills, employing 1600 hands; the Nottingham Mills, and the Thornton Worsted Mills; the British Hosiery Company and others, have either suspended or are involved. In Philadelphia several woolen failures have also occurred. The Philadelphia men do not attempt to conceal the cause but publicly ascribe it to the tariff.

The iron men of Massachusetts are in like bad case. We think it very probable that the influence of these embarrassments will tend to promote a revision of the tariff and the drift will be towards the Democratic doctrine of free raw material. Sooner or later it will come. The wisdom of our policy will receive the sanction of beneficial experience and the Democratic party will be justified for its devoted adherence to sound principles of political economy.

Lehman, Dunn & Co., of Montgomery, Ala. have issued a cotton circular in which they say the present year's crop is to be the largest yet made, and for (conjectural) reasons the cotton first into the market will bring good prices.

Washington Letter. (From our regular correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 26, 1889.

Permission has been granted by the Agricultural department to some of the Knight Templars who will attend the Conclave in this city next October to pitch their tents in the department grounds.

The Postmaster General is all alone in his glory this morning and he only arrived in town to-day, and it is doubtful whether he will remain. No other member of the cabinet is expected before next week.

A special train left this city Saturday night with a large crowd bound for Milwaukee to attend the G. A. R. encampment. The business men of Washington have invited the organization to hold their next annual encampment here.

Arrangements have been completed for a grand excursion, extending from October 31, to November 14th, and taking in every place of interest from Omaha to Massachusetts, to be given by the State department to the delegates to the Three America's Congress which meets here October 21. Some unfavorable comment has been made here because the South is not to be visited by the excursionists. It hardly seems fair to leave that section out as long as it is on a trip which has to be paid for by the Government.

"Mahone's nomination by the republicans," said a Virginia democrat of prominence, "has made the fight a serious thing for us. Mahone, as an organizer, has few equals and no superiors and we have got a hard fight on hand. Democrats here believe they can win but only by the hardest kind of work."

To think of the International Exposition of 1892 being held in any other city than Washington is out of the question. The Government owns ample grounds here right down in the heart of the city to erect all the necessary buildings upon. Four fifths of the Congressmen heard from on the subject favor Washington and there is not the slightest doubt that the Exposition will be held here as it should be.

Representative Breckenridge of Kentucky was in this city last week. He does not think the republicans will have any trouble to organize the House, nor does he think there will be any serious contentions over the contested election cases unless the republicans attempt to seat men not legally entitled to the seats. Personally Mr. Breckenridge is opposed to an extra session of Congress but from a political standpoint he hopes one will be called. He said: "to have discordant elements together is an element of weakness."

Frank Hatton has "let up" on the Civil Service Commission. Perhaps he is waiting for Mr. Roosevelt to return, and perhaps—he has been "fixed." A new democratic weekly paper is to be issued here in a few days. It is understood that the principle stockholders are New Yorkers. If republicans here know anything of the president's intentions in the matter, the idea of calling an extra session of Congress has been abandoned.

Dr. Grissom

Has published in the Raleigh News-Observer a long letter in review of the proceedings in his case, and gives his reasons for his resignation of the superintendency of the Insane Asylum. The doctor reflects with severity on the Governor and others for the manner of his taking off. It was not to be expected that he would employ very honeyed words on a subject about which he must feel very keenly, and so his letter bristles with sharp and pointed invectives. Whatever real or only apparent justification may exist for the treatment of the Doctor by the Raleigh people and other communities, and the press of the State, the verdict of acquittal awarded him by the Board of Directors after an examination extending through weeks, gives him a leverage of power, and he uses it in his letter with decided effect.

And yet it is apparent from the facts in the case as set forth by the editorial notice of it in the News-Observer, that Governor Fowle has not transcended his duty in the appointment of a Board of Charities; nor, indeed, has he acted hastily or indiscreetly in any step taken in the business, however it may seem to Dr. Grissom, whose reflections charge him with injustice illegality and tyranny.

Baltimore Sun gives an account of a wonderful flower recently discovered in Sumatra, called the Amorpholus Titanum. It has only one leaf and that 45 feet in circumference. The leaf stalk is large and 10 feet long. Flower magnificent in proportions, color, &c. but it emits the very fonleest odor known to the upper world, and the strongest.

This description brings to mind a flower found in this county. The plant is decidedly peculiar in form, grows about two feet high. The flower is about six inches long, shaped somewhat like a coffee pot spout, of a dark liver color. Curious enough in appearance, but when at a certain stage of blooming it attracts the buzzards, which swoop down and rest on the garden fence to hold a consultation over it.

The Democrats have cherished the hope that one of the new States—Montana—would go democratic; but the Charlotte Chronicle says: That hope, however, is deluged with cold water by a Democrat whose undoubted intelligence gives weight to his views. Senator Pugh, of Alabama, has recently been in the Northwest as a member of a Senate committee, and after his observations there, says he takes no stock in the belief that the democrats will carry any of the new States. The railroads, banks and other corporations have the upper hand there. Senator Pugh thinks it is probable that a complete roster of the voters would show a majority of Democrats were all of the employees of the various corporations permitted to express freely their sentiments at the polls, but they are given to understand that they must cast their ballots for the party that will give their employers the most liberal legislation in Congress and the State Legislature.

I hereby return thanks to the good people of Salisbury and teachers from the country who rendered such valuable service in helping to remove our property from our burning house, as such aid is highly appreciated. Respectfully, AUG. 27, 1889. M. L. BRAN.

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Having made arrangements to handle COAL more extensively the next season, and having contracted with more responsible Coal miners and shippers, I would most respectfully solicit any orders you may intrust in my hands, promising to furnish you promptly with what coal you may need the coming season at the lowest market prices. Will handle only the best grades of ANTHRACITE—Egg, Stove and Chestnut sizes—as well as BITUMINOUS (or soft)—Block—Lump, Stove and grate.

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THE Select School for Girls, formerly conducted by Miss Jennie Caldwell, will be continued in the same building and on the terms as heretofore. The fall session opens Wednesday, Sept. 4th, 1889. MISS LIZZIE KERR, MISS JENNIE CALDWELL.

WANTED

The name of every man in Western North Carolina who has timber land, improved and unimproved, farm lands, town lots and properties for sale. We must have bottom prices, full, clear and correct descriptions. Persons wishing to buy, sell or rent properties will find it to their interest to write to or call on

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