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CITY AND COUNTY.

All the Best News in Rowan and Vicinity.

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THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1892.

Dog days have come.

A Sunday school picnic will be held at Trading Ford Saturday.

Several communications were unavoidably crowded out this week.

Read the half page advertisement of Rogers' Clothing Co., in this issue.

The county commissioners met in Salisbury last Monday to adjust the taxes for 1892.

The July No. of *Scraps* has appeared and as usual is very interesting. It seems to be a fixture.

Mr. R. L. Shaver opened an ice house Wednesday at the old stand of Coughenour & Shaver.

It is reported that the schedule of trains on the Western road will be changed Sunday.

Mr. P. H. Thompson is preparing to move into his handsome new residence in East Salisbury.

We are told that the mail going by the way of Trading Ford will be sent out daily in a short time.

Miss Mary Julian left Monday night for a visit of several weeks among relatives at Floyd Court House, Va.

A band composed of young democrats has been formed in Salisbury to furnish music during the coming campaign.

Miss Mary McCulley, formerly of this place, was married last week in Leonardtown, Md., to Mr. George Abell.

Hon. Theo. F. Kluttz has been re-appointed, by the governor, as one of the directors of the North Carolina railroad.

A negro slack rope walker gave an exhibition of his skill in the vacant lot above the telegraph office yesterday evening.

We return thanks for a very handsome invitation to attend the Masonic picnic to be held at Mocksville August 11th, 1892.

Mr. T. A. Conghenour is now suffering with an abcess in his side, caused by the injury he received in a runway recently.

The opening ball at Catawba Springs will be held on July 14th. Mr. T. B. Brown, of this place, is one of the floor managers.

The annual meeting of the County Alliance is in session at the court house today. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

The small amount of reading matter this week is made necessary by the rush of advertising. Our readers will please bear with us.

At last the old shed on Main street has been torn down. It was pulled down yesterday evening to prepare for laying the new side walk.

Mr. R. Eame, Jr., of Gold Hill, has been appointed to collect gold ores from the central gold belt of this State for exhibition at the World's Fair.

A union prayer meeting was held at the Presbyterian church last night, at which Prof. F. S. Blair, State Sunday school visitor, delivered an address.

An institute for the colored teachers of the county will be held at the State Normal School in Salisbury commencing July 25th and continuing one week.

Sandy Jones, the popular negro janitor of the Old Hickory Club, died from some unknown cause last Sturday night. The club had him buried in good style.

M. S. Brown has on exhibition in the rear part of his store the $100 buggy that he is going to give away on September 15th. See ad. on first page regarding it.

A lawn party was given at the home of Miss Bessie Henderson last Saturday night complimentary to Miss Nannie Jones, of Raleigh. It was a brilliant affair.

At a regular meeting of the directors of the Salisbury Cotton Mills, held last Monday, a semi-annual dividend of six per cent. was declared, payable in sixty days.

Dr. J. M. Templeton, hailing from the eastern part of the State, delievered an address on prohibition before a small audience in the opera house on Tuesday night.

Several fire companies, from various towns have passed through Salisbury for the past few days on their way to take part in the State fireman's tournament at Asheville.

The block of Main street in front of the WATCHMAN office is being macadamized. The masons are laying a sidewalk from Mr. Frank Young's store to the Davis & Wiley bank.

Mr. Benton Ludwick, who had his gin and mill burned last month, says he will have the gin rebuilt and ready for the coming crop. The mill will not be rebuilt for the present.

The organ at the Presbyterian church is being rebuilt, and when finished will be a very fine one. Mr. L. U. Stuart, of New York, who built it, was given the contract to fix it up.

We learn that the captain of the Salisbury baseball nine has received challenges to play from Statesville, Gold Hill, Concord and one or more other towns. Baseball interest is at fever heat here.

The regular business meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held to-night. After the meeting refreshments will be served by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Messrs. F. B. and B. S. Arendell left Sunday night for Wakefield, near Raleigh, to attend the funeral of their brother, Mr. Sid. F. Arendell, who died of consumption. He was a single man and 39 years old.

The commissioner of agriculture says the cold weather has hurt the cotton crop more than the rains. Corn is hurt only where water has stood. Wheat and oats are badly hurt; not only in the shock but also where uncut. Oats became too ripe and fell down.

The regular annual institute for the white teachers of Rowan county will be held in Salisbury begining August 15th. The teachers should remember that the law requires them to attend or they cannot get certificates. The institute this year will be conducted by Prof. E. L. Hughes, of Reidsville.

The large colored posters for the Fair have arrived and as soon as the dates and other necessary printing can be done they will be sent out. Preparations are being made to make the coming Fair the best ever held. Remember the dates, October 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. The premium list is being prepared.

An exchange says that the surveyors are at work on a line for a railroad from Monroe to Winston. It also says that the survey is being taken by the Seaboard Air Line. If true, it would come by the way of Salisbury or Gold Hill. A gentleman interested in railroad matters says it is an error, that the survey is being made from Wadesboro to Winston. If this is true it will not touch this county.

A meeting to organize a military company for Salisbury will be held at the court house at 9 o'clock to-night. Offices will be elected, the organiztion made and members received. We are informed that more than thirty, the requisite number, have signified their intention of joining. The State furnishes the guns, etc., and pays for the picnics the company will take yearly at Wrightsville.

A difficulty arose between Mr. J. F. Pace, a policeman, and a drunken man by the name of Lum Hartman, last Saturday morning. It was charged that the policeman knocked Hartman down and beat him unnecessarily. A called meeting of the aldermen was held at night to investigate. The policeman was acquitted on that charge, but was put down for ten days for using profane language and abusing a citizen regarding the same matter, while on duty.

One of our subscribers came in Tuesday and brought with him one new subscription. He then, out of his own pocket, paid for three new subscriptions and ordered the paper sent to three of his neighbors who did not get the paper. This man showed his faith by his works We do not ask our subscribers to pay for the paper for their neigobors out of their own pockets, but if each one would induce a neighbor to subscribe our subscription list would be just double. Try and get one (if not more), reader.

Send Us the News.

The WATCHMAN takes much interst in public schools as well as the higher educational institutions. The public schools in this section will soon start. We hope the teachers will feel enoug interest in their work to keep us informed about their progress, etc. Write us who is teaching your schools—all the news.

Meeting of Aldermen.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of Aldermen was held at the mayor's office last Thursday night.

A bill from Messrs. N. B. and J. C. McCanless for $940.30, for macadamizing and paving streets, was approved.

The captain of the fire department presented the names for the re-organization of the colored fire company.

P. W. Brown was granted license to retail liquor in the room just above Moyle's saloon.

School Matters.

The annual meeting of the Board of Education was held at the court house last week to look after the educational interests of the county. During the past year the county has paid to her white teachers $9,754.32 and to colored teachers $3,340, and for all other school purposes $1,597.03. Total, $14,800.35, leaving a surplus of $2,627.48, Number of white pupils in county 6,108, colored 2,407. Number of whites enrolled during the year, 4,811, colored 1,770. Average attendance—whites 3,809, colored 1,288. Number of schools—white, 72; colored, 54. Value of public school property in county $14,000 white, $5,000 colored.

Average length of school term—whites, 15 5-6 weeks; colored, 14½ weeks; city scholars, 36 weeks. Average salary of white male teachers, $29; females, $23,50; average of colored male teachers, $23.50; females, $18. Number of teachers examined during the year 136, of these 39 received first grade certificates, 82 received second grade and 15 third grade.

Expression of Thanks.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you please publish in your columns this expression of thanks for a goodly number of choice arcles of room furniture presented to their pastor by the ladies of Back Creek. This expression of their esteem has done much to strengthen his hands and encourage his heart. It tends to give the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.

May they be richly rewarded. May they learn that it is more blessed to give than to receive. P.

Mill Bridge, N. C, July 22, '92.

Fresh Turnip Seed just in, and to be sold very cheap at Enniss' Drug Store.

Baseball.

The most interesting game of ball that has been witnessed here in the last three years, was the match game played in East Salisbury last Friday evening between Statesville and Salisbury. The Statesville team gave our boys only one day's notice, but it seems from later developments, that that was enough. The game was called at 4:45 and lasted three hours. Salisbury kept a little ahead of Statesville nearly all the way through, and at the end of the game the score stood 12 to 13 in favor of Salisbury.

Salisbury was last to the bat and at the close of the game only two men had been put out, with the third yet to get out before Salisbury would have finished her last inning.

When the last and winning run was made a tremendous applause rent the air, for there were at least two hundred and fifty persons on the ground.

Another game between the same teams will be played in Statesville to-morrow afternoon. It will be a very interesting game, and a large number of our sport-loving citizens are going. Reduced rates have been secured.

MECKLENBURG NEWS,

What is Going on Among the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence.

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Senator Kyle says the ticket is satisfactory to Dakota.

The People's party organized in Sampson county on the 4th.

Subscribe for the WATCHMAN. Only 25 cents for three months.

Senator Peffer says Kansas will give her vote to the Omaha ticket.

Why can't you all come over and vote for Gen. J. B. Weaver? He has no stock in a brewery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sossaman, Jr., with daughter, Ethel, of Gastonia, are visiting his parents here.

Miss Emmie Hunter has returned from Newbern, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Flanner.

The democratic party in Kansas has taken down its sign, closed up the shop and gone out of business.

Congressman Watson, of Georgia, says the ticket and platform is acceptable to Georgia and will win in that State.

Kansas is not the only State that the republicans and democrats will both close up shop in after November 8th.

Prof. and Mrs. McElroy who have been confined to their beds with fever for the past two weeks are slowly improving.

We are looking forward with keen interest to the people's mass meeting to be held here on the 16th. All are invited.

Rev. John Smith, a young divine just from the seminary, will supply the pulpit of the A. R. P. church during the summer.

W. W. McDowell, a flagman on the C. C. & A., railroad, met with an accident last week that resulted in his death the next day.

We commend our board of aldermen for their stringent enforcement of the sanitary law. The health of the town is paramount to all else.

The free coinage bill was defeated in the House yesterday by a majority of 16. That gives Weaver one million more votes and Cleveland that much less.

The People's party may be somewhat lacking in votes, but it can get up more enthusiasm on short notice than any other party in existence.—*New York Herald.*

A wagon load of our young people picnicked on the river last Saturday, fishing being the order of the day. We rise to ask, where are the fish? Echo answers, where?

The democrats of Kansas have endorsed the electoral ticket of the People's party of that State and gone over with them, bag and baggage. One State for Mr. Weaver to start with.

The news from the wheat crop continues good as our farmers get it threshed. Mr. J. M. Kirkpatrick threshed from 3 acres 99 bushels, Mr. C. T. Brown from 3 acres threshed 102½ bushels.

An old hayseeder asked a dude the other day what was the meaning of the anti-Force Bill club. He said it was to scare the Alliance in. Go home, bud, and tell your mamma she wants you.

The chaplain of the present congress is blind. We think that is a good thing. We don't believe a chaplain could be induced to stay there if he could see the work that is cut out for him to do.

A cucumber a foot long was on exhibition at Dr. J. B. Alexander's drug store. It was grown by Mr. McD Aldredge, a good allianceman of the city. The seed was purchased from Dr. Alexander's store.

It is said that two McD.'s of this city went into the ring last Saturday and that Sullivan and Kilrain would have been ashamed of themselves if they had been outside of the ropes and saw what happened.

The Kansas democrats held their State convention at Topeko on Wednesday the 6th. They made an unconditional surrender to the People's party and endorsed the latter's State and electoral tickets.

The list takers yesterday finished the work of transcribing the names of those who made their tax returns to the tax book. There were nearly 3,000 names in all. The number of delinquent was greater than last year.

Miss Annie Harley Sinclair, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Alex. Sinclair, formerly pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, died at the home of her sister, Mrs Dr. Pelham, in Asheville at 10:47 p. m. last night, aged 17 years.

The country watermelon will not make its appearence for three weeks yet. From "Ferrell town," Sharon and other good melon districts the reports are that the present cool weather will retard the ripening of the melons of that section.

Now that Congressman Bland was humiliatingly defeated as a delegate to Chicago, and Cleveland, the enemy of free silver, was endorsed by the convention that defeated Bland, will the latter please tell us where his political home is?—*Cincinnati Herald.*

Capt. Alexander is wanted at home to to head off the third party craze.—*News.*

The old hayseeders of Mecklenburg county and of the sixth district are watching, reading and thinking for themselves. They are not carrying their brains in Capt. Alexander's head.

A great number of the boss papers of the State are trotting Cleveland about on Stevenson's back and trying to make the people believe Stevenson was born in Iredell county. The best information we can get shows that he missed being born in Iredell by about 1,100 days and the bread winners of Iredell are going to act on the eighth day of November as if he had never been born at all.

We have been reading fierce democratic and republican papers from all parts of the nation since the conventions and we have only found one spot that both parties will not carry, and that is Sampson county, North Carolina. They have organized a third party.

Mr. F. S. Neal, a good Alliance brother who does business in the city and farms out five miles in the country, tells us that he threshed 177½ bushels of oats from 3½ acres, from 6½ acres he threshed 312½ bushels. In all he threshed 887 bushels. That is more oats than Carter had.

The present House of Representatives with its overwhelming democratic membership and its free trade element does not represent the people as the majority confess by its failure to pass an out and out tariff reduction bill and the free coinage bill. They stand in with the classes.

Price Mills Alliance, in Union county, has passed resolutions standing firmly on all the Alliance demands as shown in the platform. One resolution reads as follows: "That we know how to vote and don't expect to be told by the little political papers who are supported by Wall street."

Some of our county Solomons told us a few weeks ago that it would not do any good for the House to pass a free coinage bill as the Senate would defeat it. How about it now. The Senate has passed it and the House defeated it. As Boss Tweed used, to say, what are you going to do about it?

The Vanderbilt furnaces at Birmingham, Alabama, have been shut down owing to the unsatisfactory demand for iron and the stringency of the money market. It throws one hundred men out of employment.—*Ex.*

There must be some mistake about money being scarce. One of our large weeklies said a few days back that money was as plentiful as it ever had been.

Capt. W. W. Tague, elector for the eighth congressional district, called at our den last Saturday morning while on his way home from the Omaha convention. He is jubilant over the prospect north and northwest. He gave us an interesting account of the convention.

We see that Mr. Cleveland has refused to allow a woman's society in New York the use of his wife's name to bestow upon their club. He is right, and he should stop this trim business that is going on, or the woods will be full of Cleve and Steve, if the children can stand it.

There came near being a serious accident at the stockade Friday afternoon. The big derrick fell and Parks Prim, a little son of one of the guards, narrowly escaped being killed. Jim Patterson had tied a tremendous rock to the derrick, and instead of the derrick pulling the rock, the rock pulled the derrick. It fell a distance of twenty feet.

We read a letter last week from a Congressman, and among other things he said he was as much opposed to Cleveland's financial policy as any one, but would support him. Oh, consistency, what a jewel. Support a man that you acknowledge is opposed to what you believe is for the best interest of your constituents.

This has been a campaign thus far of baby talk, mostly, but nothing has been heard of the People's party baby or the Prohibition baby. Ten to one that Weaver's is a rag baby and that Bidwell's is a rag baby.—*Observer.*

One man who was at Chicago at the democratic convention says that Bidwell could not have gotten anything but empty bottles in that city when the delegates left if his baby had been starving.

The New York *World*, a Cleveland democrat paper, says the People's party represents discontent with existing conditions and the evils they point out are actual and the need of a remedy is great and that the party has origin in the conviction that the existing conditions unduly favor a class at the expense of the masses, and that is true; it protests against plutocracy, and such protest is justified; it makes a demand for an equal chance for all men and that demand is just and it is far from unlikely that the People's party will carry the electoral vote of several of the Western States.

Persons coming in from the country report wheat badly sprouted from the recent rains where it had not been gathered in.

The new postoffice which the *Observer* mentioned last week to be established at Sheva in Lemly's township will be opened to-morrow. Mr. J. M. Wilson is the postmaster. There will be daily mail between Sheva and Charlotte.

Alliance Notes.

Alliancemen of the county are making big preparations for the meeting of the county Alliance next week. There are 36 Alliances in this county, and at the last meeting of the county Alliance all were represented but two. The indications are that the coming meeting will be the largest ever held.

State Secretary Barnes says he has had more applications for membership blanks than ever before.

The Alliance at Alexandriana has doubled its membership since the January meeting.

Polk Alliance will discuss the Australian ballot system at its next meeting.

Alliancemen are looking forward with great pleasure to hearing Prof. W. D. Vinbon talk at the meeting Thursday.—*Observer.*

History Lesson.

History class come up and tell me what you know about the democrat and republican platforms.

Q.—Why were the democrats delayed in getting out their platform?

A.—It had to be wired to Buzzard Roost one plank at a time and let Mr. Cleveland see it.

Q.—What do they say about the poor white laborers of this country that are out of work and are being shot down by cut throats for refusing to obey their masters?

A.—Not one word.

Q.—What do they say about the oppressed of Russia?

A.—Oh, they are going to send some fellows over there and stamp the feathers off the Czar.

Q.—Why are they so interested in the poor of Ireland and Russia?

A.—Well, they don't care a fig for them, but it is a bid for the Jew and Irish vote at home.

Q.—How are they on the pension business?

A.—The republicans say they are still willing to take care of the veterans, and the democrats say they appreciate the patriotism of the boys for saving the Union, and they are willing to stand by them, their widows and their children.

Q.—What is the difference between them?

A.—The democrats hold a full hand, the republicans only hold a lone Jack.

Q.—What do they say about national defence?

A.—The democrats insist on the negro ruta baga ditch being completed and not allow John Bull to have anything to do with it.

Q.—What do the republicans say about the negro ruta baga ditch?

A.—They say amen. They don't want John Bull to take his grass hoppers to market on that route.

Q.—Well, what is the difference between the two platforms in the way of promising relief to the masses?

A.—The odds is all the difference we find.

Good. Get the next lesson.

Rankin News.

Correspondence of the Watchman.

Sharon Alliance at its last meeting adopted unanimously the St. Louis conference platform, and also the demands of the last State Alliance.

The cotton acreage in this community has been reduced 50 per cent. and corn has increased as much.

Rev. Jesse W. Siler, of Texas, but formerly of this State, has taken charge of Providence Presbyterian church. Mr. Siler is a good preacher and will please his people.

Good wheat: Mr. C. T. Brown threshed from three acres of land 104 bushels of wheat, and Mr. J. M. Kirkpatrick threshed from three acres 103 bushels. This is a large yield and shows what Sharon soil will produce.

FARMER JONES.