LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Map of Busy Life—COWPER.

Cold, very cold weather.

U. M. Pless, of Lentz, gave us a call Tuesday.

G. H. Heilig, of this city, called on us last week.

Jacob Feldman went to Lexington Tuesday morning.

John S. Beaver, of Eli, dropped in to see us last week.

Dr. J. E. Smoot, of Concord, spent Saturday in the city.

Miss Sallie Barrier, of Blackmer, was in the city last Friday.

Col. Dick Cowan, of Watsonville, called to see us last week.

B. A. Knox, of Cleveland, had some fine beef catttle in the city Monday.

See the WATCHMAN's clubbing rates with other papers in another column.

We gladly welcome "B. K." of China Grove as one among our correspondents. Come again.

There is some talk in Railroad circles, of building a new depot upon the spot where the old car shops stood.

There will be a pound party at Mr. Cyrus Barnhardt's near China Grove, Saturday night. A general good time is expected by the young folks.

J. W. Kennedy and children went to Charlotte Friday, where they will be employed in a cotton mill. They had been working in the Vance mill.

Grip and measles are abroad in the land, seeking whom they may devour, and it is hard to tell whether the children or the grown up people, are most miserable.

It is said that a certain young widower about town, has brought woe to the hearts of some young men in the surrounding communities. Yes sir, the widowers never fail.

'Squire C. L. Brown, of Eli, was in the city Friday on his rounds soliciting money to help build a new Lutheran church in that community. He was at Bethel church Sunday.

There will be only tw[illegible]es, both of the sun, and [illegible] in the United States [illegible] of 1897. The first will [illegible] sunset on Februa[illegible]ond some hours af[illegible]h.

Please sen[illegible] riage that ta[illegible] borhood or a[illegible] ty. [illegible] and [illegible] ing th[illegible] Also send us a note [illegible]st drop us a postal. We [illegible] glad to publish them.

A correspondent writing to the Concord Standard from China Grove, says:

"Rev. J. P. Miller has been elected to take charge of the China Grove High School. Mr. Miller is quite a young man and full of energy, and we hope the patrons and all will work together so as to be able to reap the full benefits of a good school. He is very ably assisted at present by Miss Ethel Patterson."

United States Senator J. C. Pritchard and J. M. Moody came down the Western Monday and stopped over here Monday night. They went on to Raleigh Tuesday, where they remained for a few days. The Senator will then go to Washington, where he will mingle with the other statesmen of the country.

Dr. Julius D. Dreher, president of the foremost educational institution in the South, Roanoke College, Salem, Va., was the guest of Mrs. P. M. Heilig, of this city last Friday and Friday night. He had been in South Carolina recuperating for some time. He left Saturday morning for Salem.

During the fire Tuesday morning we heard a gentleman remark that many years ago he was in Philadelphia and the weather was intensely cold. A fire broke out and the firemen turned the water on, but it was a long time before they succeeded in subduing the flames, as the water was frozen into hail as it shot forth from the nozzel of the hose.

We observed at the fire Tuesday morning that there were too many "bosses." We had always supposed that it was the firemen or the chief's place to do that part of the business on such occasions; but it seemed to one looking on that there were entirely too many bosses on the ground and their orders came in conflict with each other right and left. The result was that there was a general confusion of things.

There is consideable stir in Greensboro over a case of small pox. A drummer by the name of Tucker is said to have carried the disease there from Florida. One hotel has been closed, and people are leaving the city. Capt B. J Fisher, of that place has telegraphed to Baltimore for a small-pox specialist to come down and diagnose the case. Some think it is a case of chicken-pox.

The second snow of 1897, and the third for the season fell Tuesday night.

H. A. Bernhardt has a cow that gave birth to twin calves Sunday night.

Dr. E. Rose Dorset left Monday morning for Rendleman to spend several days.

Bob Smith, a convict, escaped from the gang Saturday. As yet he has not been apprehended.

M. A. Holshouser, Esq., and daughter, Miss Ellen, of Rockwell, were in the city Friday last.

Miss Addy Williams, local reporter for the Charlotte Observer, spent Friday night last in this city.

C. F. Cushing, of this city, gave us a pleasant call last week. Mr. Cushing is certainly a very interesting gentleman.

Miss Jennie Trexler, of Rockwell, came up Saturday and was the guest of Misses Mollie and Carrie Cauble over Sunday.

They say that Salisbury will never have electric lights so long as the gentlemen, who now own the gas works, live. Oh, my how long!

We learn that the Patterson cotton mill at China Grove, has stopped night work for the present on account of so many of the employees being sick.

Rev. H. N. Miller, of Manning, was a pleasant caller last week. He left his subscription, and says he thinks the WATCHMAN greatly improved.

On Last Friday the city fire bell was placed in position in the new city hall, which is nearing completion. When completed it will be quite a handsome building.

Two negroes, Bill Kyle and Harry McClain, had a fight in Hogans Alley Friday night. A brick from the hand of McClain struck Kyle's head tearing a hole in his scalp.

The Sunday school teachers of the Presbyterian church have organized themselves into a Teachers Union, for the purpose of discussing the lessons weekly, for the following Sunday.

Two negro men had a rather tough game at Spencer Sunday evening. They used rock on each other quite freely for a while, and they shed their blood in the cause for which they faught. They were not arrested.

J. P. Lentz, a former salesman at Kluttz & Rendleman's, and Chas Shaver, of Greensboro, will in the near future open up a grocery store in the old Mansion house, next door below Hu[illegible]ffs. Both of these gentlemen have co[illegible] considerable experience.

[illegible]. F. Castella came up from Atlanta, [illegible], Saturday to take charge of the [illegible]estern Union Telegraph office, of [illegible]s city. Mr. Castella takes the [illegible]ce of Mr. Maher, who had just located here, and was called to the bedside of his sick father, and will remain in Newport News, Va., in the future.

On last Sunday some dogs made a raid on Rev. R. L. Brown's sheep, killing several. These dogs are not likely to kill any more, as they were killed. It seems that it is almost imposible for our farmers to realize that they cannot build up the sheep industry when they or their neighbor, keep a pack of dogs to tear it down. In every such case as this the best remedy to be applied is a dose of cold lead discharged from the barrel of a gun into the dogs.

Lentz Alliance Reports.

Lentz Alliance met January 22nd, 1897, and subscribed $7 toward the shoe factory. The following persons subscribed: P. R. Cress, H. N. Goodnight, R. Safrit. J. E. Goodnight, N. Pless, O. Beaver and H. O. Deal.

Thief Caught.

On last Sunday Deputy Sheriff Bob Monroe landed a burglar behind the bars. It was John Dedman, who, on the night of the 27th of last August, broke into D. M. Miller's dwelling and made way with a quantity of goods He had until recently escaped the search of the officers, but Saturday they got wind of him and he was arrested at Anderson Beaver's house near Denis Mountain. He will be tried for his life at next term of court, as Mr. Miller says he forcibly entered his dwelling.

Dedmon was tried before Andrew Murphew, Esq., Monday and was bound over to court in a bond of $50 for his appearance at February court.

Still They Come.

The following is a list of those who have favored us with their back dues and renewals since our last issue, and some are new subscribers:

W. R. Gaskey, Salisbury.
Geo. H. Heilig, "
Solomon Morgan, "
Leo Schulz, "
L. D. H. Brown, Faith,
George Jones, Loretta, N. C.
G. F. Hiles, Vineland, N. J.
Rev. H. N. Miller, Manning.
Henry J. Albright, Manning.
J. C. Kesler, Dongola, Illinois.

G. A. Goodman dropped in to see us Wednesday.

H. J. Freeze, of Russell, paid the WATCHMAN a visit Tuesday.

Capt. E. B. C. Hambley returned from New York Friday night.

The fire Tuesday morning attracted a crowd of several hundred people.

Capt. Hambley, of Rockwell, went to Charlotte Monday on business, and returned Tuesday.

Mr. John Howard's little boy burned his face right badly last week by falling against the stove.

General Superintendant W. H. Green, of the Southern, was in the city last Friday night.

Third Assistant Postmaster-General Kerr Craig, of this city, left Tuesday morning for Washington City.

The Observer says Mr. Harold Tyler, of Salisbury, has gone to Washington to work for the Western Union Telegraph Company.

It was cold Tuesday morning and ice had frozen on many of the firemens' clothes, while wrestling with the flames. They worked manfully all the same.

Owing to the severe cold weather for the past week, work on the City Hall has greatly been hindred and it will be sometime yet before the hall will be completed.

Mr. Cutler, of Boston, proposes to furnish the town with fifty arc lights for $45 per year. We surely think the commissioners at their next meeting ought to accept this or some other and give us light.

The Smithdeal Hardware and Furniture Company are vacating the store room occupied as a furniture room, on the corner of Main and Fisher streets. H. G. Tyson & Co., will move into the store room next month.

Mr. Leo Schulz, manager of the bottling and beer works here for a number of years, will move from his present stand sometime next month. Mr. Shultz has also been conducting a saloon and restaurant in connection with his beer works.

Our correspondents should not forget to send us the news from their respective localities. We have plenty of room and plenty of type. Now we want you to give us plenty news, and we want the news every week, rain or shine, let it come. You will always find us on hand at the old stand.

The special industrial edition of The Daily Record, pu[illegible]shed at Greensboro, came to our o[illegible] day, and it is certainly a cr[illegible] some of the foremost me[illegible] State, as well as some out of the State, which are master pieces on each subject treated.

James Ketchie, who is employed by W. J. T. Robinson, one of our city barbers, went to Charlotte Sunday on a few days visit to relatives and friends. He will return to-night. Our evening contemporary had him written up as being off on his wedding tour and that he was to have been married on Wednesday to a young lady of Fort Mill, S. C. However, Mr. Robinson tells us this is a mistake, as he is only gone off on a visit.

A Thorough Business Man.

One of the old landmarks in Salisbury's business world is the reliable and widely known dry goods and clothing house of Victor Wallace. He is a born merchant and therefore a successfull business man. He has been doing business for over thirty years. He established himself in business here in 1865. During these years of business intercourse with our people of this town and county, he has made warm friends by the thousands. His stock comprises everything usually kept in a first-class general merchandise establishment. Mr. Wallace goes to the very best markets to buy his goods, and having made the mercantile business a life-long study, comes as near knowing the wants of the people as any man in business in Salisbury. See his ad in another column.

It Deserves Your Support.

Every year every local paper gives from 100 to 5,000 free lines for the sole benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The local editor in proportion to his means does more for his own town than any other ten men, and in all fairness, man to man, he ought to be supportod, not because you happen to like him or admire his writing, but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be so brilliant or crowned with great thoughts, but financially it is more of a benefit to a community than the preacher or teacher. Understand us, now; we do not mean morally or intellectually, but financially, and yet on the moral question you will find the majority of the local papers on the right side of the question. To-day the editors of local papers do the most work for the least money of any men on earth. Subscribe for your local paper, not as a charity, but as an investment.—Exchange.

MARRIAGES

Charles W. Noland and Miss Katie Harris were made man and wife Monday night by Rev. Marr at his home.

On January 19th, in Scotch Irish Township, at the home of the bride's mother, Mr. Henry T. Johnson, of Iredell county, to Miss Marion E. Dry, C. A. Guffy, Esq. officiating.

On January 20th, at Alpha, Scotch Irish Township, by C. A. Guffy Esq. M. John C. Wilhelm, of Rowan, to Miss Nolia Hair, of Iredell county.

On Sunday, January 17th, Miss Ester Suther to Mr. Mike Basinger, both of Lentz, this county.

This morning at the Lutheran church, Miss Bessie Trexler, of this city, was married to Mr. F. L. Tatum, also of this city.

Tuesday Morning's Fire.

Tuesday morning about nine o'clock smoke was seen to be issueing from the row known as the "Smith deal Row" on Fisher street. The fire alarm which was first given since the fire-bell was placed in position in the new Town Hall, was promptly responded to by our fireman. These stores were only one story structures, and were covered with tin. The fire originated between overhead cealing and the roof, over the room occupied by Mr Sheppard. Owing to this fact it was impossible to get at the fire, until it burned through the walls of the building. The firemen worked heroically to save the house, but it is a total wreck. Each of the stores were occupied at the time. The first room was occupied by Will Horah, who was conducting a furniture business in it; the second was occupied by Mrs. McGowan, the dressmaker; the third by Louis Lichenstein, tailor; the fourth by Dr. S. P. Wright, and the other one by Sheppard. Lum[illegible] ties sustained any loss by the fire, as everything was removed to the streets before it gained much headway. The building was owned by Messrs N. B. McCanless and J. S. McCubbis, Jr., and the loss is fully covered by insurance. The amount of insurance is $500.

Dr. Talmage speaking of the country newspaper says: "A newspaper whose columns overflow with advertisements of business men has more influence in attracting attention to, and building up the town, than another agency that can be employed. People go where there is business. Capital and labor will locate where there is an enterprising community. No power on earth is so strong to build up a town as a newspaper well patronized and its power should be appreciated."

DEATHS

On Sunday night, at his home near Cleveland, Mr. J. C. Graham, who had been sick for some time with pneumonia. Mr. Graham was a promising young man, and leaves a wife and two children, besides many friends to mourn their loss. The burial exercises were conducted from Third Creek church Tuesday.

NOTICE.

In compliance with article two, section twelve of the Constitution of North Carolina, Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the General Assembly at the session to begin in January next, for a passage of a law amending the charter of the city of Salisbury, Rowan county, North Carolina, this December 30th, 1896.

12-30-96-1m MANY CITIZENS.

CITY MARKET REPORTS

These reports are corrected weekly, by Messrs. Kluttz & Rendleman.

Cotton	6¾ to 7⅛
Corn	45 to 50
Meal	50 to 55
Peas	60 to 70
Beans	1 00 to 1 25
Potatoes, sweet	40 to 50
" Irish	50 to 60
Onions	1 00 to 1 50
Turnips	20 to 25
Wheat	95 to 1 00
Flour	2 50 to 2 75
Butter	12½ to 15
Eggs	12½ to 15
Chickens	15 to 25
Turkeys per lb	7 to 8
Pork per lb	5 to 5½

Once Upon a Time.

Once upon a time, a certain man lived in a certain town, and this certain man owned a part interest in a certain building in that certain town. He had that certain building insured in the sum of $500. On a certain cold morning in the winter of 189- this certain building caught fire. When this certain building took fire, the firemen and citizens of that certain town were putting forth their every effort to extinguish the flames consuming this building, when this certain man, who owned a certain part in this certain building, came upon the scene of the fire. After viewing this certain burning building for a short time, this certain man, who owned a part of this certain building, turned away whistling and said: "I don't give a d——n, let it burn down, it is insured for five-hundred dollars." Now in that certain town an evening paper was published the same day, in which an article appeared saying that this certain man, who owned a part in that certain building that had been destroyed by fire in that certain town, desired to thank the fire company and citizens geneally for their efforts in trying to save his property from fire &c. And this certain building was insured for $500, and of course in the course of time this certain man drew his insurance.

HELP WANTED.

I WANT a respectable white woman, between the age of thirty and forty years, to assist my wife in housekeeping, milking cows, &c. A good home and reasonable remuneration awaits the right woman. Address X. Y. Z., care WATCHMAN, Salisbury, N. C., giving good references as to competency and respectability.

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