

## WATCHMAN.

### ITEMS

One of the first signs of a business revival is the starting of the granite quarries near Salisbury. More stones are being taken out there now than ever before and a force of several hundred hands is at work. It is said that about 125 of these stone cutters make \$4.00 each day. Geo. R. Collins has charge of the quarries.—Charlotte Observer.

#### Mr. Cowles Will Speak in Rowan.

Chas. H. Cowles, republican nominee for congress, will address the voters of Rowan county at the following times and places: Woodleaf, Unity township, Monday, Oct. 5, 2 p. m.; Hart's Store, Mt. Ulla, Monday, Oct. 5, 8 p. m.; night; Gold Hill, Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2 p. m.; China Grove, Tuesday, Oct. 6, 8 p. m.; night; Tyack's Store, Morgan township, Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2 p. m.; Spencer, Wednesday, Oct. 7, 8 p. m. night.

#### Could Not Be Here.

A large number of persons were much disappointed last evening at the failure of Hon. Claude Kitchen to keep his appointment here. In the afternoon the mayor received the following message from Mr. Kitchen, who was at China Grove:

"Please cancel appointment at Salisbury tonight. I had a chill this morning and am feeling very unwell."

The Democrats of this vicinity, while disappointed, nevertheless trust that Mr. Kitchen may be able to make another appointment here which sickness will not interfere with.

#### More Democratic Clubs.

The heaven is working and the people are showing their interest in the county campaign. The latest from the field is the forming of two more Democratic clubs.

Scotch Irish township now has a club officered as follows: J. R. Guffey, president; W. N. Pence, W. H. Carter and F. N. Bryan, vice-presidents; J. Lyerly, secretary; W. A. Steele, treasurer; F. N. Bryan, H. L. Smith and N. S. Steele, committee on membership.

A club has been organized at Owens Schoolhouse with W. A. Rogers, president; J. A. Wisenheimer, W. P. Sloop and L. C. Cauble, vice-presidents; T. N. Fesperman, secretary-treasurer; Committee on membership, Geo. Smith, W. H. Canup and L. E. Fisher.

A Democratic club was organized last night at Park's School House, in Litaker township, with the following gentlemen as officers: Eli D. A. Sifford, Pres.; J. Parks, 1st Vice Pres.; J. A. Castor, 2nd Vice Pres.; M. A. Shuping, 3rd Vice Pres.; W. A. Basinger, Sec.; Committee on Membership, J. O. Basinger, J. A. Basinger, J. O. Castor and J. W. Shenck.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church, gave a reception at the Manse yesterday afternoon in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Robert T. Coit.

The Southern Railway Company has built an extension of about 500 feet of track on the grounds of the Yadkin Valley Fair Association.

W. S. Nicholson has moved his plant to his new building in the rear of the Empire Store.

The rain fell in torrents Sunday night and few persons were courageous enough to pay much attention to the pealing of the church bells.

A little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Linn, died last Saturday at the home of her parents on East Henderson street. The funeral was held Sunday at St. Matthew's church.

Dr. J. W. Carlton, one of our candidates for the legislature, made an excellent address Saturday night at Lingle's schoolhouse. This was Mr. Carlton's first effort at speaking, since his nomination. He will make numerous speeches during the progress of the campaign.

There is no doubt but the Republican candidate for sheriff will make a good race, but judging from what we can hear of the situation Mr. McKenzie's supporters need have no fears as to the result.

Officers yesterday recovered some more goods stolen from stores here, this time some skirts, the property of the Empire Store. The skirts were in the possession of a negro woman who satisfied the officers that she had purchased them.

Miss Nannie Newsom and L. L. Pool, of Providence township were married Sunday night at the residence of Rev. W. B. Dutters, this gentleman officiating at the ceremony.

#### Struck by Auto.

Struck by an automobile driven by Chauffeur Scheutour at the corner of Trade and Tryon at the western end of the square last night about 7 o'clock Rev. Harrie Mallinckrodt was knocked down and dragged for perhaps ten feet beneath the car. The machine was brought to a stop in a few seconds and bystanders quickly lifted the car from the prostrate minister, who was unable to move in his uncomfortable position. He was assisted into the Burwell-Dunn drug store a few feet away, where his injuries proved to be not serious. He was rather badly bruised about the shoulders and back, but was entirely himself in a few minutes.

Mr. Mallinckrodt was crossing Trade, going northward. The machine, owned by Norman H. Johnson, who was not in it, was headed down West Trade. Each saw the other but too late and there was no time for either to get out of the way. Mr. Mallinckrodt's many friends are rejoiced that the consequences were not more serious, as they might have been.—Charlotte Observer, 24th.

Three negro boys were the unwilling recipients of a sound thrashing in the mayor's court yesterday. Capt. Cauble acted as executioner. The offense was petty thieving and the whipping was administered with the consent of the parents.

A. L. Smoot and A. B. Saleeby organized a Baraca class at Gastonia Sunday.

## Bound Over to Court.

George Murphy, our account of whose latest escapade appeared in the WATCHMAN of last week, had a preliminary hearing in the Mayor's court last Wednesday. The prisoner waived examination. He was bound over to court under a bond of \$500, this being afterward increased to \$1000. The case will doubtless come up at the next term of Rowan Superior court, but will hardly be disposed of at that time.

#### Democratic Club Organized.

During the campaign a number of Democratic clubs have been organized in different sections of the county. The latest we have heard of is one which was organized at Woodleaf last Friday night. The officers elected were: President, J. M. Benson; secretary, R. C. Lyerly; 1st vice-president, D. C. Click; 2nd vice-president, H. P. Cranford; 3rd vice-president, R. B. Bailey.

#### Suspected of Shoplifting.

Frank and Maggie Brown, a couple of negroes who have been residents here for a short while and claim to be from Tennessee, are under arrest on a charge of shoplifting. Various merchants have missed goods recently from their stores and were at a loss to account for their disappearance. The police were led to suspect the Browns and searched their room. The officers unearthed enough merchandise of different kinds to start a small store. The couple will have some trouble explaining to the satisfaction of a jury how the stolen goods came into their possession.

#### December and—

There was a wedding in the East Ward last Wednesday night where extremes in age were much in evidence, though of course the respective ages of the bridal couple are no one's business. Walter Dillard, a beaming "grass" widower of 51 summers and about the same number of winters, led to the matrimonial altar Miss Minnie Smith, aged 15 years. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Byron Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The mother of the bride gave her consent to the marriage and graced the occasion with her presence.

#### Damon and Pythias.

The beautiful play of Damon and Pythias was presented at the opera house last Thursday night, with local talent in the principal parts. The presenting of the play under the supervision of Edward D'Oize, who took the role of Damon. Pythias was ably handled by John E. Ramsay, and the parts of Calanthe and Hermian were taken by Mrs. D'Oize and Mrs. H. K. Hexter, respectively. Bismarck Capps, Esq., made a fine Dionysius, and his work in this role called forth much merited applause. The other character did well, but the great interest of the play centers around those named. The audience was not so large as the merit of the production deserved.

#### A Card.

I want to ask, merely out of curiosity, why the theatre goers of Salisbury will consent to be persistently and systematically held up and robbed. The average theater prices of Salisbury are above those of any of the large cities. The price of \$1.50 per seat in the dress circle will be charged here for any ordinary show which comes along, while in the leading theatres of the large cities one can secure the same class of seat for 75 cents or \$1. I am told, but will not vouch for the truth of the statement, that many of the shows which cost \$1.50 in Salisbury, cost the Charlotte or Greensboro theater goer only \$1. Be this as it may the fact remains that the \$1.50 charge here is an imposition upon a long suffering public, and the theater goers of this city should arise in their might and demand that Salisbury be placed on a level with other theater towns and be given a square deal in this matter.

THEATRE GOER.

Pink Pain Tablets—Dr. Shoop's—stop headache, womanly pains, any pain, anywhere, in 20 minutes sure. Formula on the 25c box. Ask your druggist or doctor about this formula—it's fine. Cornelison & Cook.

## JOINT DEBATE COURTED.

Appointments including All the Township Have Been Made for Democratic Speaking.

The Democratic candidates for the various county offices have arranged their itinerary and the times and places of speakings are as follows:

FRA KLIN.  
Gheen's school house, Saturday night, October 3, 8 o'clock.  
Ellis school house, Tuesday night, October 6, at 8 o'clock.  
South River, Saturday night, October 3, at 8 o'clock.

PROVIDENCE.  
Trading Ford, Thursday night, Oct. 8.

MORGAN.  
Pond's school house, Monday night, October 5, at 8 o'clock.  
Muster Ground, Monday afternoon, October 5, at 2 o'clock.

ATWELL.  
Lipe & Houck's Gin, Friday afternoon, October 2, at 2 o'clock.  
Shuping's school house, Friday night, October 2, at 8 o'clock.

SCOTCH-IRISH.  
Harper's Grove, Thursday night, October 1, 8 o'clock.

STEELE.  
Blackwelder's school house, Thursday night, October 1, at 8 o'clock.

MT. ULLA.  
Mt. Ulla, at Saw Mill, Wednesday afternoon, October 14, at 2 o'clock.

Hart's Store, Wednesday night, October 14, at 8 o'clock.

BERNHARDT'S MILL.  
Granite Quarry, Thursday night, October 15, at 8 o'clock.

CLEVELAND.  
Barber's, Thursday night, October 8, at 8 o'clock.  
Cleveland, Monday night, October 12, at 8 o'clock.

LITAKER.  
Yost's school house, Tuesday night, October 6, at 8 o'clock.

CHINA GROVE.  
China Grove, Tuesday night, October 13, at 8 o'clock.

LOCKE.  
Cowan's school house, Wednesday night, October 7, at 8 o'clock.

J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, will speak at this appointment.

The Republican nominees are invited to meet the county Democratic candidates at all their appointments.

Democratic clubs will be organized at all these places after the speaking.

#### Registered Officer.

A man named Tinay Smith from Charlotte gave Officer Parker a hard tussle yesterday and attempted to carve the officer with a large knife. Yesterday morning Officer Parker noticed Sims and a couple of companions at the depot, who were rather boisterous. Mr. Parker started to arrest them when they evidenced a desire to contest the matter, Sims being especially fierce. He drew a knife and made a vicious slash at the officer, cutting his clothing in several places. A citizen near by came to the aid of the officer and the trio was taken to the police station. They made an attempt to escape and were later placed in jail for safe keeping.

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#### Notice of Sale Under Execution.

North Carolina, Rowan county. In Superior court.  
W. H. Goler vs C. C. Scmerville.  
By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior court of Rowan county in the above entitled action, I will, on

Monday the 2nd day of November, 1908, at 12 o'clock a. m., at the court house door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for CASH, to satisfy said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said C. C. Scmerville has, or had on the 2nd day of June, 1908, in the following described real estate, to-wit: One lot in the city of Salisbury, beginning at a point on the east side of the N. C. R. R. 100 feet from the center of said railroad on Monroe street and running S. 45 E. 10 feet more or less with Monroe street to Somerville's corner; thence N. 62 E. 190 feet to Somerville's corner; thence N. 45 W. 100 feet to a point 100 feet from the center of the N. C. R. R.; thence S. 62 W. 180 feet to the beginning, containing 1800 feet, more or less. For back title see deed registered in Book 70 p. 412. This the 30th day of September 1908.  
J. H. KRIBER,  
sheriff of Rowan county.

## FACTS ABOUT COUNTIES.

Some of Them Are Larger Than Many of the States.

The county is a territorial division that the United States derived from Great Britain, where the counties correspond to the provinces or departments of other European countries and in a limited sense to the states of the American Union. An Englishman addresses a letter to "Parkinson, Hants," as we address a letter to "Columbus, O.," or "Elmira, N. Y."

One state, which derives its usages from French and not from English originals, has no counties at all. In Louisiana these subdivisions of the state are still called parishes, both officially and in ordinary speech, though they are now divided into many real parishes of the church.

There are about 3,000 counties in the Union, with an average size of about 1,000 square miles, but this average is enormously exceeded in many instances and is also frequently fallen below. Leaving out certain great unsettled counties in the west, the average county would be about 500 square miles in extent.

In much of the western part of the country the size of the county is regulated mathematically. It consists of sixteen townships, each composed of thirty-six square miles, making 576 square miles in all. In other words, each township is six miles square and each county twenty-four miles square.

In Iowa there are thirty-nine counties that were formed in this way, each one of which has exactly 576 square miles. Such divisions were possible in the newer west, where these minor political divisions were made in advance of settlement. In the older parts of the country the territorial arrangements were largely accidental.

The largest county in the United States is Yavapai county, Ariz., which has an area of almost 30,000 square miles. Nine states of the Union are each smaller than this county. It is larger than the whole of West Virginia and almost as large as South Carolina.

The sixteen counties of Montana average a greater size than the state of Massachusetts. Among the other great counties of the Union are San Bernardino and San Diego, in California, which are not only vast regions, but contain a great productive territory; Humboldt and Lincoln counties, in Nevada, which are only sparsely populated, and Lincoln county, N. M., which bids fair in time to have a large population.

Although the New England states are small, the average size of the counties is greater than in most of the middle, western and southern states. Worcester county, in Massachusetts, is an example of an eastern county that is at the same time large in area and very populous. It is larger than the adjoining state of Rhode Island.

The smallest state in the Union has the smallest county as well. Bristol county, R. I., has only twenty-five square miles. At once place it is not more than two miles in breadth.—New York Tribune.

#### Sun and Earth.

The sun's greatest distance from the earth, about July 1, is nearly 94,000,000 miles; his least, about Jan. 1, rather less than 91,000,000 miles; his mean distance is about 92,333,000 miles. It may serve to give some idea of the vastness of this distance to say that a ball fired from a thirteen inch gun at the sun would require thirteen years to reach its mark, supposing its velocity to remain unchanged throughout the journey. The sun's diameter is 860,000 miles, exceeding the earth's about 109 times. The sun exceeds the earth in surface 11,750 times and in volume 1,260,000 times.

#### Ancient High Buildings.

In the Rome of the Caesars trouble was experienced with high buildings. A law was passed restricting the height of fronts to sixty feet. In order to evade it builders adopted the practice of carrying up the rear portion several stories more. Other laws bearing on the heights of buildings were passed in olden times. There was a tendency to diminish the height of stories as the buildings increased in size, and a height of 130 feet was probably attained. It is believed that the ceilings were so low that a man could not stand upright in the rooms.

#### Rice Culture.

The best of all rice known in the market for size and quality is that grown in South Carolina. The year 1694 is the earliest in which rice is known to have been grown in this country. Rice culture is as old as history, having been known in India from time immemorial. The wild rice, still plentiful in the marshy, tropical countries of southern Asia, is undoubtedly the plant from which all forms of cultured rice have been derived.—New York American.

#### Married in Cleveland.

Last Wednesday, J. M. Harrison, of Mill Bridge and Mrs. Cora H. Shelton, of Virginia, were united in marriage at the residence of Esq. D. B. Roseboro, in Cleveland, Rev. A. T. Hord officiating at the ceremony. The bride is a sister of Mrs. D. B. Roseboro. Mr. Harrison is a well known resident of our county and his many friends will congratulate him most heartily.

## Lynching Too Good For Him.

It would be difficult to conceive a more harrowing tale of man's callous indifference for woman's finer susceptibilities than the one disclosed in an application for divorce just filed before the Paris courts.

The wife who makes the petition has such a delicate and artistic nature that she suffers tortures from the hideous discord existing between the color of her husband's hair. Incredible though it may seem, the husband actually refuses to dye his hair to some less discordant hue.

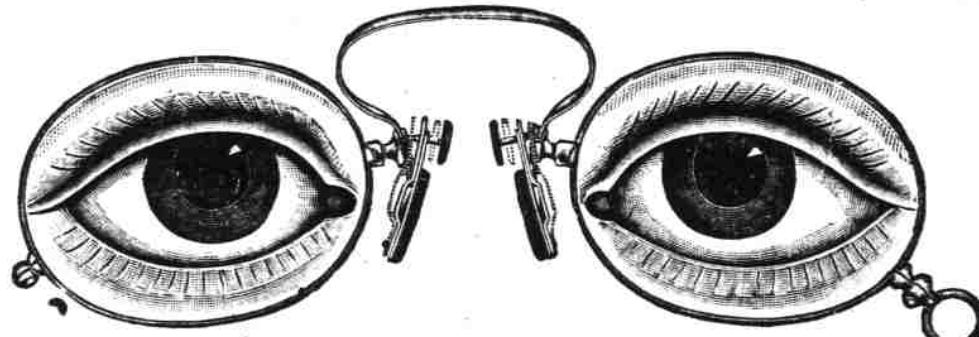
When they were married the husband's hair was a delicate, pale golden color, which went admirably with the drawing room furniture and hangings, then of a cool gray tint. Some time ago the wife refurnished her salon in a pale sad green, and every time her husband enters it his straw colored locks set his wife's nerves on edge.

Appeals, tears, faintings and fits all failed to induce the brute of a husband to dye his yellow hair, not necessarily sage green, but some tint, so in despair, the wife finally petitioned the divorce court to free her from a partner whose artistic abruptness was making her life one long nightmare.

The case promises to be interesting, especially if the judges order the furniture to be brought into court to see whether the husband's hair really makes such sickening contrasts as his wife claims.—Paris dispatch.

## SALISBURY MARKETS.

Corrected weekly by D. M. Miller.  
Apples, per bushel, 35 to 50.  
Bacon, sides per lb., 11 to 11½.  
" shoulders, per lb., 10 to 11.  
" ham, per lb., 15 to 18.  
" round, per lb., 10 to 12½.  
Butter, choice yellow, 20 to 22½.  
Chickens, per lb., 8½ to 9.  
Ducks, 20 to 30.  
Guineas, 25 to 30.  
Eggs, per doz., 17 to 20.  
Corn, per bushel, \$1.00.  
Flour, straight, per sack, \$2.30 to \$2.40.  
" pat., \$3.00 to 3.20.  
Hay, per hundred lbs., 60 to 80.  
Honey, per lb., 15 to 20.  
Lard, N. C., per lb., 10 to 12½.  
Meal, bolted, per bu., \$1.00.  
Oats, per bu., 45 to 77.  
Potatoes, Irish, per bu 50 to 60.  
Wheat per bush., 90 to \$1.00.



## Dr. U. E. Miller,

Who for some time past has been practicing his profession as Optician at Chestnut Hill and other places, is now located in D. C. Lentz's Jewelry Shop up stairs over W. H. Huff's store. It was the liberal patronage of the good people of Salisbury, Chestnut Hill and the surrounding community that caused remarkable success in my profession for which I wish to thank you. I am now prepared to do good work than ever. Come to my New Office and get the best of attention. No guess work in this office. Office Hours: 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

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