

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1882.

**LOCAL RECORDS.**

Three rooms in the Room building for rent.

Old papers sold at the Room office at half a cent apiece.

Job Printing done in the best style and at low rates at the Room office.

Capt. J. J. Crump begs leave to inform his friends that he will remain with Shaw & Harris for another year, and will be pleased to serve them as heretofore.

Dr. L. A. Hucks has received a lot of fresh vaccine virus, and is prepared to vaccinate all who may apply, on reasonable terms. Beware of the small pox and be vaccinated!

You will find some extra good bargains at London's in Wooden Goods, Ready-made Clothing, also good bargains to be had in Boots and Shoes. Now is the time to buy your Valentines. A beautiful lot on hand.

For bargains in all kind of winter goods, go to Shaw & Harris. They have just received a lot of heavy, hand-pegged Boots, suitable for the mud. They have also received a full stock of Garden Seeds.

Now residing at London's a lot of No. 1 New Crop Cider Molasses, Buckwheat Flour, Meal, Sugar, Coffee, Canned Goods, and all kinds of Groceries. A lot of fresh garden seed (Bust's and Ferry's), Onion Sets, If you intend using any Garage this spring call on London and hear something to your interest.

PECULIAR MILK.—Mr. Madison Buckner of Hadley township has a cow, whose milk is not sweet like the fresh milk of other cows, but is sour, and cannot be curdled into butter.

Our Barber gone.—Our town is now without a barber, for our professor of the tonsorial art being a preacher his Conference has sent him to another circuit. Pittsboro's loss is Oxford's gain.

REVERSE RAID.—A few days ago deputy marshal T. W. Womble made a raid into the north-eastern corner of this county and captured an illicit still in full blast. The persons running it escaped.

AN ABSENT POSTMASTER.—The Post master of a neighboring town has been absent from his office for more than ten years, and is now living in Texas, his duties being performed all the time by a deputy.

CRIMES FOR.—We regret to learn that, on last Thursday, Mr. Peter Smith, of Matthews township, while engaged in a chopping match, one of his feet very severely. The loss of blood was so great as to cause him to faint.

VALENTINE'S DAY.—Next Tuesday known as "St. Valentine's Day," and is anxiously looked forward to by the young folks, who then exchange little love missives called valentines. On that day it is said birds select their mates.

LARGE CROWD IN TOWN.—There was a larger crowd in town last Monday (Commissioners' day) than has been here in some time. This was owing doubtless to the day being so pleasant after many weeks of such disagreeable weather.

LARGE PIG.—Capt. J. A. Pugh, of Hickory Mountain township, recently killed a pig (he called it) that was fourteen months old and weighed 395 pounds. It would have weighed more, but during last summer it had a severe attack of cholera that nearly killed it.

PATING SCHOOL ORDERS.—For the information and convenience of persons who may hold school orders we are requested to state that the sheriff and the county superintendent will be at Pittsboro every Thursday; so that persons can come here on that day in any week and get their orders countersigned and paid.

HEAVY RAIN.—On last Friday night and Saturday morning we had the heaviest rain and severest storm that has been known in this section for a long time. The small streams were higher than have been known for years, and New Hope, Haw, Rocky, and Deep rivers were boaming. There is certainly no lack of water now.

A PROMISING BOY.—We were told the other day, by one of our subscribers that when his copy of the Room came, a few weeks ago, with the **X** mark on it little boy begged him to renew his subscription and offered to give all the money he had (twenty-five cents) to help him pay it. That boy shows the right spirit and will make a man worth talking about.

ROAD OVERSEERS.—Last Saturday was the day for the semi-annual meeting of the supervisors of the public roads in the different townships. In this township the supervisors met and appointed the following overseers: R. J. Powell, Wesley Thomas, J. M. Griffin, J. E. Edmonds, Rufus Womble, A. J. Lovell, James P. Strangman, and W. B. Hatch. The other overseers who did not report to the supervisors are continued for another year.

GOOD APPOINTMENT.—At the last meeting of the county commissioners Mr. Thomas H. Harrington resigned the office of constable in Oakwood township, and Mr. Oran S. Johnson was appointed to fill the vacancy. This is an excellent appointment, for Mr. Johnson has had considerable experience as an officer some years ago and was known as one of the best in the county.

WINTER FROST.—While wood is not so scarce and costly this winter as last, yet it is a very expensive item. Last winter there was very great suffering in nearly every town in the State on account of the scarcity of wood, but warned by that experience everybody tried to lay in a good supply for this winter. The continued bad weather, however, has now caused wood to be difficult to get, and in some places it is exorbitantly high. At Asheville the Citizen says it sells at the rate of eight dollars a cord!

UNIVERSITY RAILROAD.—We are pleased to learn that the University railroad is completed to within one mile of Chapel Hill, and that trains have begun to run regularly. A train leaves the terminus near Chapel Hill, early in the morning, runs to Raleigh and returns in the afternoon. This is great convenience to the people of that section and will enable them to spend the day in Raleigh and be at home by night.

Why not extend this road into Chatham? It can be done, and will be done if our people will make the proper exertion.

A CHATHAM BOY.—We have been given a shilling from the time of engine No. 30 of the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad, which is quite a curiosity. Another shilling was given in exhibition in M. J. F. Womble's cellar. They were sent by Mr. W. T. Brewer, one of the employes of the shop—Raleigh News & Observer.

This young man is a native of this place, who went to Raleigh a few years ago and entered the machine shops, and by industry and need alone application has become one of the best machinists in the country. Our country and our young men would be more prosperous if none of them followed the example of our young townsmen.

MORE LINGERIE.—Two or three weeks ago we mentioned that one of our countrymen had some very large cuts, and it seems that this has "put on meat" the owner of every big cut in the country, and we verily believe that everybody has been weighing his petticoats to claim this championship. The largest that have yet been weighed are one belonging to Mr. James White, that weighed 13 lbs., and the one whose proud owner is Mr. E. L. Tyson, that weighs 14 lbs. The latter cut is said to be not only immense in size but a desperate fighter. Now, beat these out, if you can!

DRAWS NIGHT POEMS.—On last Monday, as Mr. John W. Petty was riding along the public road leading to Sanford, at a point near the Moore county line, he found the dead body of a negro man lying in the edge of the roadside. He at once rode to the nearest house for help and with two other gentlemen returned to the corpse, but did not touch it, as they thought it unlawful to do so before a jury of inquiry could examine it. They say the negro had been ill or died suddenly from some other natural cause. Mr. Petty reported the case to a magistrate, who advised him to inform the coroner, that the coroner for building the new court house have until 1st of July to complete the same.

**Commissioners' Meeting.**

The county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on last Monday and the day. The following accounts were audited and ordered to be paid:

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