

LOCAL ITEMS.

Lent begins next Wednesday. The quietest woman is very apt to bustle around now adays. Judge W. J. Montgomery will open court at Beaufort on the 13th. Mr. Jno. B. Caldwell has moved to the house of Mr. Freeman on Corbin street. Mr. John C. Wadsworth is having his dwelling improved by the spreading of a new coat of paint. Rev. Mr. Grant paid a visit to his father's family at Belwood, Cleveland county, last week. The house wife is beginning to rummage about in the seed bag for an assortment for early planting. You need not look for the partial eclipse of the sun that is announced for tomorrow. It is invisible here. Our schools are in full blast, and the merry voices of the children make music on the street as they go to and from school. The taxes on lands have been settled, and the Sheriff says the personal property and poll taxes still due must be settled at once. Girls, if the old bachelors don't come to terms soon, just offer them a counterfeit fifty cent piece, and see how quickly they will shriek for a better half. Mr. J. M. Hendrix, of Mt. Pleasant, has kindly consented to act as our agent at that place. All cash subscriptions received for by him will be acknowledged by us. "My son," said a dotting mother to her eight-year-old, "what pleasure do you feel like giving up during the Lenten season?" "Well, ma, I guess I'll stay away from school," was the reply. Rev. A. Walker White, a native of Cabarrus, has resigned the pastorate of the Wilksboro and Taylorsville charge in this State, and accepted a call to the Presbyterian church at Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. C. A. Pitts received, last week by express, a pair of pure Essex pigs from a Georgia stock farm. Mr. Pitts claims that the Essex have given better results to the hog raisers in this section than any other breed. Rev. Mr. Payne gave a party to the young men belonging to his Bible class on Monday evening. Each one had the pleasure of accompanying the lady of his own choosing. The occasion was a very enjoyable one. One of our very best citizens and the staunchest of republicans, who has never slipped in a vote otherwise than straight, says that just any kind of a candidate can beat the very best high tariff man in the country. The old log house by the side of Brown's livery stable has been torn down and hauled away. The oldest inhabitant don't know when it was first put up, but everybody thinks it ought to have been down long ago. Last Saturday Mr. A. G. Lentz was rapidly disposing of "green goods" in front of his market. The transaction was perfectly legal and many of our citizens revelled in that early spring luxury, "a mess of pork and greens." From a poster handed us by W. C. Coleman, we see that Rev. J. C. Prize, the gifted colored orator of our state, will make an address here on Tuesday night next at Caton's Hall. He will be accompanied by two of the best artists of his race. The proceeds of this concert will be donated to Livingstone College at Salisbury. The concert is highly spoken of by some of our exchanges. To those of our friends who are in the bee culture let us say that an agricultural exchange remarks that "spring is the best time to remove bees." It may be but if a bee settles on your neck, or any other portion of your anatomy, in the fall, don't wait until the spring to move it. There is a good reason why you shouldn't—and you will discover what the reason is soon after the bee alights. This is election year, national, state and county. If you want the news of how the nation wags, subscribe for THE STANDARD. Remember our terms, CASH in advance. Those sending in their names as subscribers not accompanied with the cash will only be kept on probation two weeks, and then will be dropped. Give us your hearty cooperation in this way, and we will give you the brightest, newsiest paper on Cabarrus's record. Wednesday last the proprietorship of the Morris House changed hands, Mr. D. P. Daywalt moving out, and Mr. Wm. Fisher moving in. Mr. Daywalt now occupies the Swink house on Depot street. The traveling public will miss so genial a host. We hope Mr. Fisher's venture will be a successful one, and that he will so cater to the wants of a traveling public as to command the patronage due a first class hotelist.

Tuesday next is Valentine day. Miss Rosa Harris is visiting in Winston. Day after tomorrow is Shrove Sunday. Collector Craige arrived on the noon train yesterday. Mr. Jno. W. Wadsworth, of Charlotte, was in town Monday and Tuesday. A delegation of the Salvation Army from Charlotte, is expected here today. Mr. George Michael boarded the train Tuesday evening for his home in Illinois. We learn that Dr. C. A. Misenheimer, of Pioneer Mill, will move to Charlotte at an early date. Dr. Cosby has been quite sick for a week. He is at Mr. Taylor Weddington's near the new factory. Not one of our readers, we suppose, wants the word straw spelled backwards on the end of their nose. The culbert between Fetzer's Drug Store and Litaker's corner has been opened and cleaned out this week. S. Shuping & Co. advertise their new stock of groceries in this issue. They are accommodating business men. Give them a trial. We have had a big scrape in town this week—the accumulated mud on our macadamized streets has been scraped up and hauled off. Quite a crowd gathered in front of the court house Monday evening, and Col. Long auctioneered off mortgaged lands, lands for taxes, and some personal property. The farmers of No. 4, organized an Alliance last Friday night at Petrea's school house. Eighteen names were enrolled as members, and the organization bids fair to have a rapid increase. Mr. H. S. Hunter last year raised on one measured acre of R. A. Brown's farm 2742 pounds of seed cotton, or 2 bales. In 1886 the same acre yielded about 1400 pounds. The cases that occupied the latter part of court last week were disposed of as follows: C. A. Overcash vs. P. L. Seaford. Verdict for plaintiff. George Michael vs. A. Foil. Verdict for plaintiff. M. L. Holmes and others vs. Newman. Mistrial. A young man by the name of Robinson brought to town five pretty fox skins on Monday and sold them to Mr. H. M. Goodman. Our friend Goodman has no competition in the fur trade, but says he wishes he did have. He is just ready to ship this winter's purchases and people would be surprised at the number of rabbit skins, mink skins, fox skins, &c., that is brought to this market. On Saturday evening last many of the farmers of No. 8 Township met at St. John's Grange Hall in a very formal business like manner. The object of the meeting was to consider the most economic plan of purchasing fertilizers for the coming season. Mr. Archey Cline was called to the chair, and Esquire H. C. McAllister appointed secretary. A lengthy discussion was participated in by many in relation to the subject. Statements and proposals from manufacturers and dealers were read and carefully considered, and the meeting decided unanimously in favor of purchasing on the co-operative plan. The proposals introduced demonstrated the fact that thereby \$5 per ton could be saved on purchases. Twenty tons were subscribed for by those present. Tuesday we wandered up to Forest Hill. Firstly we found Mr. Will Odell busy in his office, but he laid down his pen, gave us a grip and subscribed for THE STANDARD before we had stopped gazing at the pretty, convenient business office; but when, by invitation, we peeped into the private apartment and compared it to an editorial sanctum scattered with exchanges and old proofs, we couldn't go in for fear we would break the last one of the commandments. Secondly, we got a pass and went into the factory. The continuous clacking and humming of machinery made us almost deaf and the turning, twisting and winding of pulleys, belting, looms, and so forth made us dizzy. The upshot of our visit was, that we are convinced that it is the biggest, best arranged and most orderly factory in the old North State. Everything is in apple pie order and jogs along like clock work. There are 400 hands now employed. COUNTY EDUCATIONAL FUND. Statement of settlement with Jno. A. Cline, Treasurer, by R. W. Allison, chairman of board, and J. L. Stafford, committee, for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1887: On hand Dec. 1, 1886, \$4,419.65 Received from taxes, judgments, &c., 8,718.73 Total on hand received, \$13,138.43 Paid for school expenses of white, 5,613.42 Do. of colored, 3,380.24 Paid to Superintendent, 132.00 Paid School Board, 189.15 Total paid and vouchers filed, \$9,314.80 Treasurer's commission, 252.86 Total credits, 9,567.66 Remaining in hands of Treasurer Nov. 30, 1887, \$3,570.77

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING. The following accounts were audited and ordered to be paid: W. J. Hill, stove, &c., for poor house, \$22.50 J. W. Mehaffey, winding clock, 5 00 D. P. Dayvault, feeding jurors, 12 00 J. F. Willeford, goods for poor house, 17 07 C. A. Sherwood, attention to poor house, 41 35 D. A. Caldwell, repairs at court house, 4 55 J. S. Harris, assessor in 1887, 14 00 F. V. Snell, opening pipes at jail, 5 00 C. A. Black, wood for public road, 2 00 James Ellis, wood for public road, 75 A. B. Young, lumber for public road, 3 07 J. F. Pethel, work on public road, 1 00 D. P. Walter, hauling on public road, 1 00 F. W. Glass, hauling on public road, 1 00 Levi Partee, wood on public road, 1 00 J. R. Ritchie, hauling on public road, 1 00 Sarah Winecoff, wood for public road, 37 J. B. Furr, do, 2 50 R. W. Allison, do, 9 50 Geo. M. Misenheimer, do, 1 00 Wm. Goodman, do, 3 62 J. N. Brown, holding inquest, 8 60 F. A. Archibald, juror on inquest, 2 15 J. D. Hegler, do, 1 70 D. H. White, do, 1 60 W. G. Newell, do, 1 80 Jno. A. Leffer, do, 1 80 Dr. R. S. Young, post mortem examination on A. Hamilton, 10 00 Samuel Sloop, for paupers' coffins, 7 50 Wilson Bost, five sills for public road, 50 Jno. R. Patterson, jail fees, 27 46 Wm. Propst, Sheriff, court cost January term of court, 16 50 Wm. Propst, Sheriff, court cost in case of G. W. Patterson, 11 75 The following persons were allowed to make return and pay single taxes for 1887, viz: Jno. Lady, C. A. Montgomery, Susan Penick and Sarah Blackwelder. Taxes were ordered to be refunded to Thos. McCauley and H. Miller. Petition for a public road from National road to Depot Street, then by Smith's grove to the creek, across the railroad and into road leading to Rocky River church, was ordered to be published. A petition for public bridge over Buffalo creek at Bradford's mill, was ordered to be published. We give below a few extracts from a Shelby correspondent, which came in too late for publication in full. Thanks to the writer. Write again: "By the merest accident I came across a copy of THE STANDARD a few days ago, and of course I had a desire to look over it, as I am a 'type slinger' myself, and more, because I have recollections very dear to me of Concord and its clever people. I read your paper with pleasure, and allow me to congratulate you, as well as Concord and Cabarrus on having one of the best papers in the State. We are having a genuine cotton factory boom here; two factories completed and three more will be in due course of time, besides two more in the county. Work on our new railroad from Shelby to Cranberry is progressing rapidly, and after the weather becomes more favorable it will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The C. C. & C. Railroad have received a lot of the finest passenger coaches in the South, and ere long we will have three railroads, five cotton factories, three tobacco factories, two foundries and machine shops, one door, sash and blind establishment; and we have one of the best summer resorts in the world—Cleveland Springs—which, by the way, has changed hands and is being remodeled and otherwise improved, and when completed, the new proprietors guarantee to please the most fastidious. And lastly, I am proud to say that Shelby has two good newspapers, the Aurora and New Era. B. NO. 5 ITEMS. We have the largest Farmer's Alliance in the county, and they have ordered a large grocery bill from New York. As to corn and western bacon No. 5 will use but little this year, as they have the home made kind. There is more winter grain sown than usual, and it is looking well. We are now busy putting in Spring oats. Mr. Lawrence Beaver is teaching the public school and every one is pleased with him. He has a well ordered old time spelling bee one night in every week. Our debating society meets weekly on Thursday night. Mr. J. C. Dayvault and R. J. Cook's singing school meets each Saturday evening. Next week will give you a few weights of No. 5 porkers. C. Rev. Mr. Pearson is to begin work in New Berne on the 19th inst.

LEAP YEAR PARTY. The Leap Year party at the residence of Mr. B. F. Rogers on Wednesday evening was the happy event of the season. The long established custom of the year was gracefully, and we may say willingly, submitted to by the lords of creation. Those who participated in the pleasant affair are as follows: Prof. Cook, Miss Bessie Heilig, Rev. Eubanks, Miss Jennie Smith, Dr. Archey, Miss Fannie Fisher, Dr. Pharr, Miss McCorkle, Dr. Fetzer, Miss Lelia King, A. E. Lentz, Miss Nannie Gibson, John Leslie, Miss Scot Pharr, James Yorke, Miss Jennie Gibson, Ed Gibson, Miss Emma Phifer, Robert Ridenhour, Miss Josie Hill, F. L. Smith, Miss Lillie Patterson, Frank Goodson, Miss Fannie McInch, Gowan Dusenberry, Miss Kate Reed, Will Sapp, Miss Lallie Hill, Bob Keistler, Miss Ada Rogers, Bob Cannon, Miss Florence Ury, Rob Wheeler, Miss Lizzie Bost, George Patterson, Miss Rose Harris, M. H. Caldwell, Miss Mamie Wadsworth of Charlotte, T. W. Morrison, Miss Ettie Gibson, Caleb Richmond, Miss Anna Neal, John Reed, Miss Minnie Erwin, Caleb Swink, Miss Fannie McInch, Lynn Erwin, Miss Nannie Gibson, Quint Smith, Miss Corrie Fetzer, Fred Smith, Miss Lucy Richmond. COSTUMES. Miss Mamie Wadsworth, cream surah and diamonds. Miss Nellie cream satin and beads. Miss Fannie Fisher, pink nuns veiling, valenciennes. Miss Scot Pharr, satin roses, lace and roses. Miss Ettie Gibson, black silk lace and hyacinths. Miss Minnie Erwin, black silk lace and roses. Miss Lizzie Bost, cream cashmere lace and ribbon. Miss Lucy Richmond, black and amber tulle. Miss Fannie McInch, black silk lace and plumes. Miss Jennie Gibson, garnet silk. Miss Rose Harris, cream satin and pearls. Miss Corinne Harris, pink nuns veiling and pearls. Miss Kate Reed, green satin and pink roses. Miss Lillie Patterson, pink cashmere and tulle. Miss Florence Ury, cream nuns veiling and lace. Miss Lallie Hill, cream surah and ribbons. Miss Emma Phifer, cream cashmere and surah. Miss Jennie Smith, black silk lace and plumes. Miss Lelia King, black silk lace and ribbons. Miss Ada Rogers, Spanish silk, lace and diamonds. Miss Rosa McCorkle, blue satin hand embroidered and real lace. Miss Bessie Heilig, blue silk and velvet. Miss Josie Hill, black silk. Mrs. Dusenberry, black moire and jet. Mrs. Dr. Young, white cashmere brocaded satin. DEATHS. Friday afternoon, Feb. 2, at 4 o'clock, Mr. H. C. Quantz, of Concord, aged 36 years. In the death of Mr. Quantz the town of Concord has lost a good citizen and the church to which he belonged a faithful member. The sorrowing mother, sister, wife and children have the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community in their sad bereavement. On Saturday evening last the messenger of death called away from ones the spirit of Mrs. Henderson Winecoff, of No. 4 Township. Her death was quite sudden and unexpected, she having been in good health up to Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Winecoff was the daughter of our aged and respected townsman, Mrs. Willis Elkins, and spent her girlhood days in Concord. In the bright bloom of womanhood she took upon herself the duties of wife. A husband's loving companion, a gentle, tender mother and a kind neighbor has "passed over the river," whilst those she left behind "Look through the gathering shadows of the grave." "Thine is our spirits trust." M. T. PLEASANT ITEMS. Mrs. Margaret Barrier, of Barrier's Mill, has been quite sick. Mrs. Sidney Hearne, of Albemarle, is visiting at her father's, Maj. Heilig. Mr. Geo. D. Bost has been quite sick for some time, but is improving. Messrs Cook & Foil have purchased the J. M. Freese property in the northern part of town. Mr. George Scott, who lived near this place, died last Friday, 3d inst. He had been a long sufferer with that dread disease, consumption. Some of the business men of this place want telephone connection with Concord. Such connection would certainly be quite a convenience for our town. Let's go to work and have it. The pastor of Bethel charge, Rev. G. H. Cox, will be installed at Bethel church, near Misenheimer's Springs, on the third Sunday, Rev. Prof. J. G. Schaid and J. A. Linn officiating. The "Regulators" were in full force here last Friday night. The street from Buchanan B & Co's to

Moore & Dreher's store was completely blocked with barrels, boxes, benches, &c. The only damage done was the turning bottom up of the calaboose. The boys only wanted a little fun. Rumor says they were frightened while ringing the Seminary bell, and one of the boys got a muddy face. HER HEAD IN A LION'S MOUTH. A Dublin dispatch of Saturday says: At the conclusion of a performance at a music hall in Dublin last night Mlle. Senide, one of the performers, placed her head in a lion's mouth for the purpose of having her photograph taken in that position. A certain flash of light caused the beast to close his jaws and he retired growling to the corner of his cage, dragging his helpless victim with him. Then he shook the girl violently, tearing her bare breast with his claws. The attendants at once sprung toward the cage and attacked the lion with irons and finally succeeded in beating him off Mlle. Senide was removed to her lodgings and medical aid was summoned. Her neck, shoulders, breast and one arm are terribly lacerated, but she is still alive. Later it was stated that Mlle. Senide's injuries are not of a serious nature, and that she has offered to appear tonight and repeat her performance with the lion. DISCOVERED HIS FAULT IN TIME. A handsomely dressed young woman entered a crowded street car. A long whiskered old fellow, wearing a dingy slouch hat and a suit of homespun clothes, got up and said: "Miss, take my seat. I don't look as well as these here gentlemen—nodding at several men—but I've discovered that I've got more politeness." The young woman sat down without thanking the old fellow, and, slyly winking at a woman who she knew, whispered: "How do you like my gallant country hoosier? Don't you think he would cut quite a figure in a dime museum?" "Miss," said the old fellow with a smile which clearly bespoke his unconsciousness of the un lady like ridicule, "I b'leve I left my pocket book thar on the seat. Will you please get up a minute?" The young woman got up. The old fellow sat down, and stroking his whiskers, remarked: "B'leve I'll just keep on sittin' here, miss. I stood up so much at the dime museum just now that I'm sorter tired. I've got a little more politeness than these here gentlemen, but I have discovered that I ain't got nigh so much sense." The collections of internal revenue for this, the Fifth District of the State, during the month of January were as follows: At Winston, \$61,747.30 "Salisbury, 21,248.17 "Statesville, 14,659.63 "Mt. Airy, 7,488.18 "Asheville, 2,920.88 Total, \$107,112.06 WHY STANFORD VOTED FOR LAMAR. WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Senator Stanford, of California, has written the following letter to a constituent who asked his reason for voting for the confirmation of Mr. Lamar as a Justice of the United States Supreme Court: "WASHINGTON, Feb. 6, 1888. "Your letter asking my reasons for voting for Mr. Lamar received. I voted for him because I considered him one of the best men in the South for the place. He is, in my judgment, a broad, liberal-minded man, of a great deal of learning. He was professor of law in a university in Mississippi. I think he is a thoroughly converted Unionist, and I do not think it wise to reject any one on the ground alone that they were engaged in the late rebellion. I think that we want to be one people, politically and socially. Gen. Grant expressed the idea when he said 'Let us have peace.' Mr. Lamar's loyalty and integrity to the Union was passed upon most conclusively when both houses of Congress provided for the succession to the presidency and made him an heir only a few removes from the Presidency. I was reluctant to find myself not in harmony with all the Republican Senators, but it was a case, so far as my action was concerned, and entirely for my own judgment and conscience, and I voted accordingly. Respectfully yours, "LEONARD STANFORD." MARDI GRAS.—Round trip tickets will be issued from all coupon ticket offices on the Richmond & Danville Railroad to attend the Mardi Gras celebrations in the cities of New Orleans, Mobile and Memphis. The tickets will be on sale February 8th to 13th inclusive, good to return until and including February 26th. Tom Ellis, editor of the Hornet, at Birmingham, Ala., was shot and mortally wounded by Detective Sullivan Saturday evening. Ellis published matter in his paper concerning Sullivan which the latter regarded as libelous.

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