

"THERE'S A CHIEF AMANG YE TAKIN NOTES AND FAITH HE'LL PRENT THEM."

Meeting of Magistrates.

Next Monday the magistrates of the several townships of the county will meet with the County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of levying the taxes for 1889 and electing a Board of Education, in addition to the consideration of other matters that may be brought before them.

Work Done.

With that machine that makes 25,000 pressed brick per day, R. A. Brown has completed his work at the depot brick yard, from which bricks for Patterson's new store and the Cannon factory addition were obtained. On Tuesday evening he moved his machinery to Forest Hill, where he assists the Messrs. Cecil in making bricks for the bag factory.

A Call Received.

Rev. J. D. Newton, of the Baptist church in this place, has received a call to the pastorate of several churches near Durham. We are glad that Mr. Newton has decided to remain with us and continue his labors with the good people whom he has so acceptably served for more than a year. His brother, Rev. C. C. Newton, of Durham, will at an early day go as missionary to Africa.

Short Hay Crop.

The "first cutting" will prove a small one in the hay business in this county. A trip into the country a few days ago revealed to us the fact that many meadows and clover-grass lots, which promised bountiful crops, have a short and considerably dried coat of grass and clover. Our people are taking to grass raising more and more every year, and this partial failure will evidently dampen the enthusiasm of many, but with a good season these same lands will yet bear a good crop of hay.

The Owner Found.

The money, of which a note was made in last week's STANDARD, has been claimed. This money, three twenty-dollar bills, was rolled together and found in Mr. R. A. Carter's store by his son Ephraim, who, when finding it, called his father, who at once was satisfied that it belonged to someone else. Last Tuesday Mr. George W. Whitley, of Stany county, came in and proved his property. Stany county farmers surely have money. By the way Ephraim Carter deserves no honor for reporting his find, but wouldn't this country be a glorious one if all the young men were of Ephraim's type?

A Short Speech.

A nicely-dressed gentleman, with a "good face on him," stopping at the St. Cloud last week, made quite a short speech at the Cannon factory Thursday night. In the midst of his oration (soliciting hands to go to Tennessee to work in a mill) Mr. J. W. Cannon, the secretary and treasurer of the company, walked in. It was not long until the silver-tongued orator stepped down from his mounted position and, taking to his heels, was soon lost in the shadows of the woods near by.

The operators at the factory, of course, are satisfied with their situation, and listened to this man only through mere respect.

Deaths.

Last Friday, at her home in No. 4 township, Mrs. Burt Furr, after a short illness with fever and bronchitis, died. Mrs. Furr was aged thirty-three years, nine months and twenty-four days. She leaves a husband and four children. Her remains were buried at Poplar Tent on Saturday, Rev. M. V. Sherrill preaching the funeral.

Last Sunday morning Mrs. Monroe Coleman, of this place, breathed her last. She was about fifty-five years old. For a number of years she had been a great sufferer from cancer. Her remains were interred in the Presbyterian graveyard on Sunday, Rev. Mr. Page conducting the funeral.

Mr. Charles Allen Caldwell, of this place, died Wednesday last about noon, in the sixty-fourth year of his age. He had been seriously sick for several weeks, and his death had been expected for some time. He was stricken with paralysis about two years ago, and had never fully recovered. The body was buried at Back Creek church, Mecklenburg county, yesterday, of which church Mr. Caldwell had for many years been a member. The remains were accompanied to their last resting-place by a delegation from Stokes Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Concord.

Mr. Caldwell moved to Concord in 1862, and was engaged in merchandising until about 1870, and since that time has been a contractor. He was well and favorably known as one of Calarrus' good citizens, and his familiar face will be much missed on our streets. The bereaved family have our kindest sympathies.

SHORT LOCALS.

—Yesterday was Ascension Day.

—There are 1,816 Alliances in the State.

—The County Commissioners meet next Monday.

—The Concord Male Academy closes to-day.

—Early May wheat and some oats are being cut.

—The usual prevalence of summer complaints is reported.

—Mr. Pearson, the evangelist, is doing a big work in Greensboro.

—The bumble-bee is having a hard time of it—cotton so small.

—Mr. John Kirksey, of No. 3 township, died last Monday of consumption.

—The colored fire company went up to Salisbury yesterday to join in a celebration.

—Read Dr. J. W. Moore's interesting letter. Let us hear from you again, Doctor.

—In a few days the telegraph office will be removed into the St. Cloud Hotel office.

—There will be preaching at the Baptist church on next Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

—Misses Lilly Long, Kate Ship and Emma Hall, Charlotte teachers, have gone to Europe.

—Mr. C. G. Montgomery has been suffering for several days with a severe boil in his throat.

—Vaughan Brothers have opened a new candy store in the room formerly occupied by THE STANDARD.

—Charlotte is taking steps for a big exposition this fall. It is a good idea and we wish them much success.

—The newly appointed magistrates who have not yet qualified have only a few days left in which to qualify.

—Mr. John Allen, of No. 1 township, called upon us last week. His eighty-four years rest lightly upon him yet.

—The force on the street railway are doing some heavy work. They are now near the residence of Mr. G. G. Richmond.

—Owing to the death of Mary Payne, the commencement exercises of the Concord Female Academy were dispensed with.

—It is said that Mr. Mark Morrison, formerly with Hoover, Lore & Co., is to be the delivery clerk in the Charlotte post-office.

—Notwithstanding the injurious effects of dry weather, Yorke & Wadsworth have ordered their second car-load of mowers.

—In our editorial last week, by a "lapis pennis," we were made to say a "sheep in wolf's clothing," instead of vice versa.

—Our local prophets expected great things of the change of the moon on the 29th in bringing rain. It didn't come. What next?

—One of the merits of the electric lights, says a faithful student, is, "they relieve me of the annoyance of bugs and candle flies."

—The stockholders of the Concord Female Academy will meet at W. M. Smith's office next Monday. Business of importance will be transacted.

—Mr. W. E. Best and Miss Florence Brantly were married last Thursday in No. 5. An old fashion "belling" expressed the best wishes of a host of friends.

—As one of the good results of Rev. Mr. Price's preaching, last week, it is said that three of our young ladies have offered themselves as foreign missionaries.

—Prof. A. Graham was re-elected Superintendent of the Graded Schools in Charlotte Monday night. Mr. John M. Walker, a local reporter of the Chronicle, was elected first assistant.

—We are requested by the president, John Fink, to announce that the Hose and Reel Company will meet next Tuesday night, in Town Hall, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance.

—There is considerable life about Forest Hill now. Two brick machines are in operation, and already the foundations for forty cottages have been built. It looks like a city on a hill.

—We surrender much of our editorial space to the publication of the Road Law, and much of our local page to county correspondence, which we think to be of special interest to our readers.

—Masters Gus Thies and Earle Brown had quite an experience last Saturday. The horse they were driving ran away, spilling them in a promiscuous heap on the side of the road. No one hurt.

—One of our prominent citizens has a novel way of foretelling events—by dreams. If he dreams a thing happens, that is a sure sign that it will not happen. This is of frequent occurrence, too.

—Salisbury had a big hail storm on Sunday. Window glass suffered terribly. The new Lutheran church was damaged to the extent of \$1,000. The wheat crop and fruit are much damaged in that section.

As we go to press the indications are that we will have a refreshing rain.

—Messrs. J. P. Allison, McInch, John Leslie, Dolph Lentz and Robert Keistler accompanied Mr. Payne to Winston, where his daughter Mary was buried Tuesday.

—The commencement exercises of the Virginia Dare Institute at Catons' Hall last night were very interesting and entertaining. The final exercises will be held to-night. We hope to give a fuller account of them next week.

—The catalogue of Davidson College for the year 1888-'89 is on our table. It contains a handsome steel engraving of the building and grounds. Ninety-six pupils are enrolled—six States and one foreign country being represented.

—D. S. Harmon, a graduate of the St. Petersburg, Russia, College, has established an office at the St. Cloud Hotel, where he can be consulted by those in need of spectacles and eye-glasses. The gentleman is highly recommended by parties in several towns of North Carolina.

—The young gentlemen of our town will do a handsome thing next Monday evening in giving a banquet at the St. Cloud complimentary to the young ladies who have been with us for nearly a year—Miss Lina McDonald, Misses Lillian and Abbie Matson and Miss Ella Sechrist. THE STANDARD returns thanks for an invitation.

—Rev. S. S. Rahn, a former Professor of Latin in North Carolina College, Mt. Pleasant, having resigned the charge at Sandy Run, S. C., will, in July, assume the duties of pastor of the Lutheran church in Yorkville, Va. Prof. Rahn has many friends in this county who will be glad to learn that his labors have been crowned with most splendid success.

Photographs.

Mr. John C. Leslie has been on the sick list.

Mr. C. M. Thompson, of Lexington, was here Tuesday.

Mr. George W. Patterson returned Wednesday from Washington.

Miss Julia Magruder, the authoress, is visiting at Mr. R. E. Gibson's.

Mr. W. E. Loesser, of Charlotte, will open a jewelry business here in a few days.

Mr. J. M. Moore, who has been quite sick for the past week, is able to be about again.

Mrs. Luther Lentz and family, of Mt. Holly, passed through town Wednesday evening.

Miss Hattie Davidson, of Hopewell, Mecklenburg county, is visiting Miss Isabel Montgomery.

Dr. J. P. Gibson has been missed at his drug store for several days—sickness keeping him confined.

Mr. Chas. Overman, of Charlotte, is spending several days with his brother-in-law, Esq. R. W. Allison.

"Uncle" Jake Stirewalt, of Mill Hill, was here Wednesday. Though growing old he is active and full of business.

Miss Orrilla Bost returned from Newton Saturday last, where she had been visiting relatives. She was accompanied by her brother.

Mr. Moses A. Foil, son of Mr. Edmund Foil, of Mt. Pleasant, passed through Monday from Catawba College, where he graduated last week. He will read medicine.

Old Love.

J. "Noon" Ingram, whose departure for South America was noted in THE STANDARD several weeks ago, "changed his mind" when he got to Charlotte. He is now in Washington nursing an application for an appointment, in some capacity, to Australia. Maybe he'll succeed. Mr. Ingram knows all about that country, and Mr. Harrison would do himself an honor by appointing Mr. Ingram.

Fifteen Thousand.

Our mention of the big factory in last week's issue brought to light the fact that for the use of our factories in this place 15,000 bales of cotton will be required per year. This is a big item. It is far more than is raised in the county and even more, by half, than is sold in this market. With more and other enterprises a market will be created here in which can be sold, to advantage, everything produced on a farm.

With a growing population, and the greater part not even having a garden of any consequence, it appears that several truck farms started near here would prove paying investments.

It Required a Cow.

Last Saturday Mr. John A. Rankin, of Mill Hill, had quite a narrow escape. While doing some work in a pasture in which he had his cattle a bull showed fight, and Mr. Rankin, knowing the danger and uncertainty of a flat-footed run from the beast, called for his gun, and as he kept giving way before the approaching animal, he gave the bull the full benefit of two loads of shot. The animal, while not at all hurt, allowed Mr. R. to leave the field in an orderly manner.

Hotel Arrivals.

The following are the arrivals at the St. Cloud Hotel for the week ending May 30th, 1889:

T. R. Bartlett, R. C. Thompson, W. H. Austin, C. Parks, J. Oppenheimer, L. Frayer, C. E. Weyer, J. F. Anderson, J. B. Dawson, C. M. Thompson, E. C. Grasswick, R. M. Oats, D. S. Harmon, J. G. Neal, J. Y. Hall, V. O. Willis, W. S. Nash, C. S. Preston, W. J. McNutt, H. W. Butterworth, H. J. Leopold, Mrs. Pharr and daughter, W. J. Harkey, J. W. Biggs, W. C. Whitner, G. Ingram, S. J. Pemberton, R. J. Williams, E. M. Bell, J. S. Mason, J. B. Sloan, R. S. Young, L. M. Coggin, W. S. Bingham, D. J. Fox, L. S. Flow, J. S. Harris, A. Thies, H. S. Chadwick, Gus Frank, W. J. Sherwood, W. H. Stallon, H. S. Cunningham, E. C. Peck, Charles Wilpen.

The following are the arrivals at the Morris House, H. McNamara, proprietor, for the week ending May 30th, 1889:

Albert Sherrill, M. T. Nesbit, R. W. Pressly, M. H. Walter, H. T. J. Ludwig, Dr. P. M. Henderson, R. E. Peterson, E. S. Shuman, L. M. Coggin, W. M. Keller, M. Olesby, J. M. Cross, W. S. Hartzell, B. J. Weadington, Henry Davis, S. C. Alexander, George Culp, C. L. Erwin, G. C. Goodman.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Albemarle Items.

Albemarle is a doubly dry town just at this time.

Mr. J. R. Elkins and his son Paul left home Saturday for a short visit to your town.

Rev. John Bennett, of the Baptist church, preached in the court house last Sunday night. He will soon organize a church here.

Rev. C. W. Byrd, of Salisbury, will deliver the literary address Wednesday of commencement; Rev. J. C. Rowe, our former pastor, will preach on Tuesday before at 11 A. M.

In a few days the Republican post-master, John R. Burris, will move in and take possession. Guess he thinks that fortune, which eluded his grasp last fall, has, though tardy, at length rewarded him.

We are soon to have a colored brass band. The Mt. Pleasant negroes after coming down and showing the Albemarle negroes how they could blow, succeeding in selling them their instruments, which are third hand, to be delivered in a month or two.

Mt. Pleasant Items.

Miss Mamie Crawford is having a fine case of mumps.

Rev. W. R. Brown of Organ church was here last Monday.

The town commissioners have had a pump put in the public well.

Master Walter Daniels is now selling tobacco for Gaskill of Salisbury.

Rev. Heller, of Grace church, Rowan county, spent Saturday night with L. J. Foil.

Mr. Zeke Ketchie, having returned from a visit to Stany, reports having had a fine time.

A certain senior has been very restless for the past week on account of the departure of his "gryl."

Our boys have a new by-word since their visit to Charlotte. It is "has you got any cold beer in the cellar?"

We must return our hearty thanks to the Professors of North Carolina College for their faithful services. "Long life to them."

Our friend Billy says the eye glasses used by students of this day remind him of the head-lights of a special freight train.

Several of our boys visited Charlotte last Monday. They returned Tuesday, reporting a large crowd and a very pleasant time.

The ladies of the seminary will render on Wednesday evening, 5th inst., at 7 1/2 o'clock, the beautiful cantata, "Queen of the Roses."

It is with regret that we chronicle the departure of Mr. A. V. Sherrill, generally known as "Uncle Albert," who left for his home last Saturday.

H. N. Miller, a student of the college, will remain in our midst during the summer vacation and teach a school just below Mount Pleasant.

We have been informed that the Rev. J. D. Shirey will preach the bachelors' sermon. He is a man of more than ordinary talent, and will no doubt deliver a fine sermon.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Lutheran church will furnish refreshments during commencement week, so come prepared to keep cool, feel good yourself and make others feel good.

The Frick Manufacturing Company was organized at this place on last Friday. The company have bought fifteen acres of land in the northern part of town from Dr. Shimpock and will commence building in July.

A place on Buffalo Creek, known as "Devil's Hole," is becoming quite conspicuous. Last Saturday there were at least twenty boys present. One, being hired by the others, jumped in with his clothes on. He most emphatically declares that he heard the chains rattle.

On last Monday Timothy Tucker had a vicious bull that became unmanageable, and he whipped out the old man and boys. He butted Mr. Tucker down and severely bruised him, so much so that he had to be carried to the house. We are glad to report that Mr. Tucker is improving.

The students of the college are anxious for school to close. Many of them anticipate fine times this summer; one intends to walk through the mountains to Knoxville, Tenn., his former home. We hear that Stany is going to send quite a delegation of students next term; hurrah for her.

Biltmore Items.

Our water works seem to be the attraction.

Miss Bessie Sherrill spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Ada Perdue.

Miss Casper has been visiting Miss Lizzie Culp during the past week.

A Mr. Pless, from near China Grove, spent a day or two here the first of the week.

We are anticipating having quite a gay time on the fourth of July. We will tell you more anon.

We had a severe frost one night last week. A great many beans were cut down, and sweet potato slips were nipped badly.

Notwithstanding the dry weather the wheat crop promises to be good. Capt. Parker has the best prospect he has had for years.

We have never known butter so plentiful. The market is overrun. The best of butter can be engaged at fifteen cents per pound.

We hope the readers of THE STANDARD will excuse us this time as we are being seriously entertained with bad company—tooth-ache.

Strawberries are very plentiful and can be bought, ready capped, at five cents per quart. If the price of sugar would only be reduced how we would rejoice.

Mr. Charles Ritchie, the grandfather of the young man Ritchie who once had a hardware store in your town, died last Sabbath morning. He was a consistent member of New Bethel Evangelical Lutheran church.

Uncle Ivy has a remarkable good stand of corn, and as for gardens, they are almost a failure. Procrastination, though a "thief of time," has for once in our life time, proved a benefit to many, for it rarely occurs that a lazy man is rewarded.

We had another death in our place on Monday morning. This time a little babe, the son of Mr. Jim Coggins. He died of cholera infantum, and was sick only a few days.

Mr. Will Ritchie's little child was quite sick for a day or two with the same disease but has recovered.

Clear Creek Items.

Book agents are among us.

Frost on the 23rd inst.—a big one. People are up with their farm work.

Julius Garmon, Esq., is distilling sassafras roots into oil.

What is excellent but the straw will be short. Oats no good.

All who littered their Irish potatoes will make some even if it don't rain.

Cherries are getting ripe; there is nothing like cherry pie with sugar on it.

Rev. Jenkins continues to warn them to "Flee from the wrath to come."

Uncle Allen said he saw ice on some old slabs just below the mill Tuesday morning.

The present indications are that the chintz bug crop will be smaller than for several years.

There are seven grist mills in two miles of here. The water mills have about spun out till it rains.

Mr. H. R. Small, who has been extremely low with the typhoid fever for the past six weeks, is recovering rapidly.

People about here get sick from eating strawberries, but they love them so much they will keep eating them till they can't eat any more.

The merchants have gobbled in about all the little pocket change in the country, and will do a monstrous business through the credit season.

A few of our neighbors went to Charlotte the 20th, but most every body feels so bad about the dry weather and crop prospects that they won't try to have any fun.

Mr. Frank Klontz, of Charlotte, moved into a vacant house near our post-office, but became dissatisfied and returned to Charlotte. He is suffering from rheumatism, and his family are also in bad health.

The refreshing rains which we have always been used to having heretofore have ceased to come as in the days of yore, and the blighting effects of drought are not confined to crops and vegetation but the heavy lines of care are written on every face. The people are drying up.

Many talk of planting their cotton fields in corn. As there is not a man in this section who has a stand of cotton and no prospect for one, it occurs to us that all such cotton lands should be planted in corn at once. The extra condition of cotton land with the fertilizer would insure a good corn crop if it were in the rain enough. It seems the people have a chance of trying to see if they can't make some corn at home instead of buying it from the North. They had better make the effort.

CONCORD MARKETS.

COTTON MARKET.

Corrected weekly by D. F. CANNON.

Stained Middling..... \$1.09

Low Middling..... 94

High Middling..... 101

Good Middling..... 101

PRODUCE MARKET.

Corrected weekly by DOVE, BOST & FISK.

Bacon..... 10

Sugar cured hams..... 15@18

Bulk meat sides..... 10

Beef..... 18

Butter..... 15@20

Chickens..... 20@25

Corn..... 50@55

Lard..... 12

N. C. Flour..... \$2.50@3.00

Meal..... 475

Oats..... 150

Cash..... 40@50

Tallow..... 405

Salt..... 45@75

Letter from Texas.

SPRINGTOWN, TEXAS, May 23d, 1889.

MISSISSIPPI EDITORS: I promised my friends that I would let them hear from me when I got to Texas, and as it would be impossible for me to write a letter to each, I take this means of writing to all.

At 1 o'clock, A. M., February 26th, I and family boarded the train at Concord, N. C., and on the 28th at 10 A. M. we arrived at Weatherford, Texas, and a drive of seventeen miles through rain and mud brought us to the Artesian city, Springtown. This place is in the northeast portion of Parker county and is on the Fort Worth and Albuquerque railroad, now in course of construction.

Parker county in 1870 had a population of 3,500; now it has 23,500, about one per cent. of which is colored. It has an area of 576,000 acres, about two-fifths of which is covered with timber and three-fifths is prairie. The soil embraces several varieties—the black waxy, the "Brazos red loam," the black sandy, &c. It is adapted to corn, cotton, small grain and all the varieties of vegetables. It is easily cultivated, and there is no necessity for fertilizers in this country, as the soil is from sixteen inches to twenty feet deep and will last for ages. Coal exists in the western portion of the county, and arrangements are being made to work it on a large scale. The county is very well watered by numerous streams and hundreds of springs of pure water. Good wells can be had at from fifteen to fifty feet, and artesian water at less than one hundred feet, which flows continually.

On last Sunday I was called to see a daughter of a gentleman now living who bore the chain in surveying out the county and who drove the stake in the center for the county-seat, Weatherford, which has a population of 5,000 and three banks, two railroads and an extensive trade and manufacturing interests.

The climate of Parker county is very fine. Most commonly the winters are very mild and the summers far better than many other places not possessed of like natural advantages. The rainfall is somewhat uncertain, yet there has always been plenty to make the crops except in 1886 and 1887, when the great drought struck this country, and there may never be another such a one. It does not take as much rain here to make a crop as in your old red hills. The land is open, and it takes up the water and holds it for vegetation to grow from. There is fine grass, and stock get fat and live without much feed throughout the entire winter. There are few storms and tornadoes, but there is nearly always a gentle wind, which renders the shade pleasant and the nights cool, thus insuring refreshing sleep.

I will let you hear from me again as I learn more of the country and the people. Yours truly, DR. JOHN W. MOORE.

Resolutions of Respect.

The teachers and pupils of Concord Female Academy assembled in their chapel Monday morning, May 27th, and adopted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas it hath pleased God to call from our school and earthly associations our beloved pupil and companion, MARY AUGUSTA PAYNE; and whereas we desire to express our love and respect for her memory, be it

Resolved, That we hold a fitting memorial service at her home this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in testimony of the affectionate regard in which she is held by all of us.

Resolved, That we tender to her family our loving sympathy in their bereavement, and invoke the divine consolations of our father through