

Special Notices.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Mary Davis is visiting in Charlotte. Mrs. A. Nixon is visiting at Triangle, this week. Hon. W. P. Bynum is expected in town Saturday. Judge W. A. Hoke was at home several days this week. Col. Isaac Lowe, of Lowesville, is in the city Monday. Mr. and Mrs. John Cobb have returned from Baltimore. R. L. Durham, Esq., of Dallas, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cauble left yesterday for Charlotte. D. W. Robinson, Esq., left Atlanta Wednesday night. B. F. Grigg talks about his goods in another column. Mr. Oris Coffield spent Sunday at his home at Apex, N. C. Mrs. Jane Latham, of Shelby, visited relatives here last week. See R. M. Michal's new advertisement in another column. Mr. Will Speck, of Palatka, was in Lincoln on Wednesday. Mr. W. A. Graham, Jr., of Chapelah, was in town Wednesday. Mrs. Ola Hines has returned from a two week's visit at Stanley. Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reinhardt taking in the Exposition this week. A. W. Reedy calls your attention to some bargains in this week. Mrs. R. L. Owenby, of Shelby, visiting her parents Mr. and John Dettler. Mr. B. C. Wood, ex-Register of Dallas, was in town Saturday. He almost well again. Mr. Geo. Hines has moved his family to their new residence a mile from town. The DEMOCRAT got two subscribers from Cherryville, Gaston county, last Saturday. Messrs Perry Haynes and Cauble, of Gastonia, spent the day in Lincoln. Dr. Fox will be out of town Friday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. Dr. Couse informs us that there is an epidemic in the Cherryville neighborhood. Mr. R. M. Michal left last Saturday for a few days visit to his lands in Runtherfordton. Dr. John Saize, Joe Boud and Michal Hoke left last Saturday for the Exposition. Miss Millie Nixon and Mr. Henry Nance, of Triangle, visited Mr. A. Nixon's this week. Mr. A. R. Rudisill, of King's Mountain, passed through Lincoln Sunday en route to the Exposition. R. L. Ryburn, Esq., of Shelby, returned through Lincoln Wednesday night on his way home to Asheville. Mr. L. J. Reep, of Reepville, returned Saturday. He subscribed to the DEMOCRAT, as did also Mr. Leonard of the same place. Preaching at Laboratory Mill Sunday 11 a. m. at Paper Mill church at 3 p. m., at Presbyterian church in town 7 p. m. by Rev. J. C. Houser, of Catawba county, were last Saturday shopping. Mr. Houser is the father of Mr. R. A. Hoke of this place. Rev. M. T. Steele requests us to inform that he was unable to attend the funeral of Mr. Hoke at Laboratory Mills last Thursday. He had intended to go but had not been informed of the funeral in time. The train came to him too late.

The Summit-Kiser reference case was heard in Cherryville on Tuesday before B. A. Justice, Esq. The lawyers were L. B. Wetmore and D. W. Robinson, Esq., of this place and O. F. Mason, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Edwards, Misses Emma and Minnie Setzer, Messrs. John Dellinger, Walter Keener, J. Thos. McLean, Dorie Cauble, M. S., W. A. and A. P. Rudisill left Sunday night for Atlanta.

Mr. L. B. Wetmore of this city and Miss Ida Gilleland of Lowesville were married at Lowesville last Wednesday at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. Mr. Litaker performed the ceremony. Mr. Wetmore is one of Lincoln's attorneys.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reinhardt, of Lincoln, were here yesterday. They were en route to the Atlanta Exposition, and were joined here by their daughter, who is attending Peace Institute. Mr. Reinhardt is the principal owner in the Elm Grove Cotton Mills, Lincoln, and one of the most prominent young manufacturers in Western Carolina. News and Observer, Nov. 26th.

Horses Stolen. Rev. Marcus Carpenter of the Beaverdam neighborhood, Gaston Co., had two valuable horses stolen last Sunday night. Two white men, neighbors of Mr. Carpenter, are suspected of the theft. The rogues went in the direction of Rutherfordton. They are being pursued.

Murder at Cherryville. We learn that Sam Jackson (col) was killed in a row at a negro "festibule" near Cherryville on last Saturday night. It seems that Jackson died game, shooting another negro in the arm and the eye before he was laid low. We could not learn the names of the three or four negroes who are accused of Jackson's murder. They are still at large, no arrests having yet been made.

Death of Mr. Frank Hoke. Mr. Franklin Hoke, an uncle of Judge W. A. Hoke and a brother of the late Col. Jno. F. Hoke, died at the Laboratory Mills near this place last Wednesday. He was about 83 years old. The death of Mr. Hoke removes the last one of a distinguished family of brothers. Rev. W. S. Bynum conducted the funeral services. The remains were interred at Laboratory. Judge Hoke attended the funeral.

Marrige in Colored Society. Georgiana Lander and Frank Burton, one of the colored barbers of this place, were married at the Colored Presbyterian church in "Freedman" last Wednesday night. Rev. D. S. Baker, of Davidson College performed the ceremony. Lizzie McBee was maid of honor, and Vullen Lander was best man.

In Demand as a Prosecutor. On last Saturday, L. B. Wetmore, Esq., of this place was before Eli Paysour's court in Dallas, N. C., prosecuting A. H. Black for false pretense. Black was defended by O. F. Mason, Esq., of Dallas. Paysour bound Black over to court in a bond of \$500. Black is the same who figured some years ago in a murder case in this county. The case was tried at Shelby and Black was acquitted of the charge of having killed a man by name of Mauney.

The Finest Cotton Mill in the South. Mr. C. R. Chappell, representing the Howard and Bullough American Machine Company, Providence, R. I., was here Saturday. His company is putting in the machinery at the The Lincoln Cotton Mills, the mills in which Messrs Rhyne, Abernethy and Ramsaur are interested. Mr. Chappell says this mill, when complete, will be the finest mill in the South. No other mills at present have the equipment for spinning the fine yarns which these mills will spin. These mills will make No. 40's to 60's. The mills are soon to be put in operation.

Capt. Jno. R. Erwin has been appointed a County Commissioner of Mecklenburg, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Thos. Grier.

Jerry and Katie Sullivan Again.

Sometime last week Jerry and Katie Sullivan of Howard's Creek Township swore out a warrant against Barbara Neal, John Neal, and Daniel Neal, charging them with forcible trespass. The warrant was made returnable before S. P. Sherrill, J. P., of this place. The trial of the Neals came off last Saturday morning. The Neals were released and the Sullivans went away sorrowing. B. A. Justice, Esq., appeared for the Sullivans and D. W. Robinson, Esq., for the Neals. There has not been a court within the memory of many of our citizens that the Sullivans were not an important factor in it.

The Logan "Niggers" Again.

The readers of the DEMOCRAT will remember that during last week, Cebe Logan of this place and another gentleman of color went over into Gaston county to buy liquor. They contracted for the whiskey and filled up their jugs. The money which they offered Mr. Carpenter, from whom they purchased the liquor, was counterfeit. On Carpenter's refusal to take the money, Logan made off with his jugs. One day last week, Carpenter had Logan arrested for larceny and arraigned before J. Kiser, Esq., in Cherryville township, Gaston county. D. W. Robinson, Esq., of this place appeared for Logan. Esq. Kiser bound Logan over to court in a bond of \$100. Logan is a bad character.

State News.

The United States Fields Trials are in progress at Newton.

The Elliot Furniture Co., of Charlotte has gone into receiver's hands. The Hickory Mercury will take notice.

Rev. H. M. Blair, one of the editors of the Christian Advocate, intends to retire from newspaper work and return to his ministerial duties.

Mr. J. P. Caldwell, editor of the Charlotte Observer, was recently elected a director of the Southern Associated Press, which met at Atlanta. He succeeds Mr. D. A. Tompkins.

The Western North Carolina Methodist Conference meets at Reidsville this week. Bishop Duncan will preside. The Reidsville Weekly will issue a daily edition during the Conference.

The Conference of the Christian Church of North Carolina was held at Haw River last week, closing Saturday. The Conference pledged its support to Elon College and the "Christian Sun."

Mr. John C. Corriher, of China Grove, died last Monday at that place. He was a prominent merchant and citizen. He married a daughter of Capt. P. W. Carpenter, of this county. He was a brother-in-law of Carpenter Bros. of Newton.

Mr. B. L. Duke of Durham, has borrowed \$125,000 and is on his feet again. When a man can borrow that much money inside of the corporation of Durham, as was done in this case, then we wonder why the Caucasian don't stop crying calamity every week.

The value of property listed for taxes in this State is as follows: land, \$115,082,723; town lots \$43,006,141; personal, \$76,391,087; railways, \$24,501,899; Pullman cars, \$31,043; telegraphs and telephones, \$212,602; canals and steamboats, \$289,002. Total, \$250,634,419.

Congressman Harry Skinner, of the first district, was married in Baltimore last Tuesday, to a Miss Monteiro. Cardinal Gibbons performed the ceremony. We lament the fact that Mr. Skinner, soon after turning Populist, has been forced to turn again, this time he became a Catholic.

Jesse C. Speight has been elected to the lower house of the Kentucky Legislature from Hickman and Fulton counties. He is 31 years old. Mr. Speight's grandfather, Richard Dobbs, was one of the signers for North Carolina of the United States constitution. And an uncle, Jesse Speight, served in the United States Congress from 1832 to 1835 from North Carolina, and was afterward elected to the United States Senate. —Charlotte Observer.

The Populist Treasurer of this county notifies the public school teachers that they cannot obtain any pay if they teach school before appointment, which is made in January. Heretofore they have always been paid. State Superintendent Scarborough rules that Riggsbee has no right to interpret the law, but simply to pay legal warrants. The Treasurer says Scarborough has no power to interpret the school law; that the last Legislature took this power from him. Thus the matter stands. Some teachers say they will suspend schools, some want to take the matter to court. —Raleigh Correspondent in Wilmington Messenger.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch says that yesterday morning the State Farmers' Alliance purchased from the estate of the late Paul C. Cameron, at Hillsboro, the old military academy buildings. Of these there are five—all of brick save one. One hundred and forty acres of land are attached. The price paid is \$3,500. It is the purpose to have the place made a postoffice and build a town there. This week the work of fitting up the buildings for a tannery and shoe factory will begin. For twenty years the buildings have been unoccupied. The main building is 215x26 feet, and three stories in height. The former mess hall and chapel is 215x30 feet. It is the plan of the alliance to make everything which the farmers use. The alliance has figures which show that North Carolina's proportion of the money paid the shoe manufacturers of the country is \$5,700,000 annually, and its part of the profits ought to be \$678,000.—Charlotte News, 26th.

Latest General News.

Prof. Brooks of Geneva, N. Y., has discovered a comet.

Alexandre Dumas, the French Novelist, is dying of an abscess on the brain. He now lives at Paris.

\$5,000,000 worth of gold was exported from New York last Saturday. Free Silver papers are predicting another bond issue.

Schlatter, the Denver Colorado "Messiah" who suddenly disappeared some time ago is now known to be at Boulder, Colorado.

The next annual meeting of the Knights of Labor will be held at Rochester, New York. The order is on the decline. The same is true of our "Noble Order" the Alliance.

The London Daily News says that Messrs Harper and Bros. have agreed to pay George Du Maurier, the author of Tribby, \$50,000 for his new novel.

Snow storms have raged throughout Northern Italy this week. The Western States of the United States have also been visited with storms of snow, rain, and sleet.

A special from Edinburgh says: Mr. John Morley, late Chief Secretary for Ireland, has accepted the candidacy for the seat in the House of Commons for Montrose, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. John S. Will, Liberal.

Senator Brier, who claimed to be a Democrat, and Asa Bushnell, who was elected governor of Ohio recently, are trying to get control of the artificial and natural gas plants in the west. This is a kind of "Fusion" we would call to the attention of the Caucasian and the Progressive Farmer.

Eugene Debs, who led the Chicago Strike in 1894, has been released from jail. His friends made a great demonstration on his release. He ought to have been turned loose in time to have been nominated by the Populists for something. He was badly needed

in the recent elections.

In the United States 276,800 telephones are in use. The largest switchboard in the world is that at the Courtland Street Exchange in New York. It has a capacity for 6,000 subscribers, is 263 feet long, and is divided in 40 sections. There are 250,000 holes or "jacks" and 780,000 soldered joints.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—The cause of Cuba's patriots was the topic at a big mass meeting held in the hall of Cooper Union to-night. Hon. Charles A. Dana made the speech of the occasion and was accorded an ovation, the audience rising and cheering again and again. His eloquence evoked continual applause.

Statement of County Liabilities.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes entries for North Carolina, Lincoln County, Office Board of Commissioners, and various committee reports.

North Carolina, Lincoln County, Office Board of Commissioners. The following accounts have been audited and ordered to be paid to the several members of the board of County Commissioners for the year ending 1st December 1895.

H. E. Ramsaur 21 d. as com'r \$42.00 H. E. Ramsaur 10 d. service on committee \$20.00 Total \$62.00 W. L. Baker 21 d. as com'r \$42.00 W. L. Baker 9 d. service on committee \$18.00 W. L. Baker 315 miles travel \$15.75 Total \$75.75 D. A. Coon 21 d. as com'r \$42.00 D. A. Coon 6 d. service on committee \$12.00 D. A. Coon 120 miles travel \$ 9.00 Total \$63.00 P. A. Thompson 21 d. as com'r \$42.00 P. A. Thompson 9 d. service on committee \$18.00 P. A. Thompson 395 m. trav. \$18.50 Total \$78.50 J. E. Reinhardt 21 d. as com'r \$42.00 J. E. Reinhardt 7 d. service on committee \$ 6.00 J. E. Reinhardt 108 m. travel \$ 8.40 Total \$56.40

Definitions That Don't Define.

Because a boy can give a definition of a word, it does not follow that he can use that word, or that he really knows its meaning. Pupils often make ludicrous blunders in trying to use words after having studied their definitions. Here are a few samples culled from actual class work: Frantic; wild, crazed; as, She gathered frantic flowers. Athletic; vigorous, strong; as, The butter is athletic. Clandestine; secret; as, We shall keep our own clandestines. Converge; to tend together; as, John and his sister converged the baby. Cordial; hearty; as, I have a cordial appetite. Convulsive; a fit; as, Mary's dress is a bad convulsive. Emaciated; to make thin; he emaciated the gruel with water. Narrative; a tale; as, he stepped on the cat's narrative. The best definition of a word is a plain illustration of its correct use. Little is gained through memorizing synonyms and set definitions. These, as the above examples show, are apt to lead the student into positive error. A knowledge of words, like that of other tools, is best acquired by right use. One's vocabulary is best enlarged by the attentive reading of good literature, and by personal association with those who habitually use good English.—American Journal of Education.

Advertisement for R. M. Michal, Hardware, and H. S. Robinson & Co. Furniture. Includes text: 'This Space Belongs To R. M. MICHAL, HARDWARE. Oranges are Scarce This Year. DRY GOODS. FURNITURE. We Defy any and all Competition on DRY GOODS, GLOTHING, SHOES, &c. &c. FOR - GENUINE - BARGAINS - COME - TO J. N. L. COBB.'