

Special Notices.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—Mr. Jack Schronce, of Reepsville, was here Saturday last. —Piedmont Seminary closes for Christmas holidays today. —Cranberry sauce for your Christmas turkey at A. W. Reedy's. —Miss Jennie Wrenshall has returned from a visit to Anniston, Ala. —Mr. J. H. Rhodes of Daniel's neighborhood was here last Saturday. —Mr. and Mrs. Thos McBee, of Asheville, are at Capt. V. A. McBees. —Charley Wood, son of Mr. B. C. Wood, is sick at his father's near town. —Mr. W. A. Costner, of the Salem neighborhood was here last Saturday. —Miss May Crouse will spend the holidays at Selma, N. C., visiting friends. —Mr. T. Pate Jenks, of Hull's Roads, visited the Atlanta Exposition last week. —Mr. Beverly Hawkins, of Hamlet, N. C. was in Lincolnton, a few days last week. —There will be no regular issue of the DEMOCRAT next week. The printers want a vacation. —Messrs J. W. Davis and Geo. Coon of Daniels' community were here Saturday on business. —Rev. W. S. Bynum conducts Episcopal services at Elbow School house, Catawba Springs Township. —Mr. Clarence Stamey, of the firm of Stamey Bros., Fallston, visited the Exposition last week. —Mr. and Mrs. John Manning and Mrs. C. M. Jetton, of Charlotte, are visiting at Mr. E. H. Able's. —Messrs. P. D. Hinson, H. S. Johnson and J. K. Cline left for the Atlanta Exposition on Wednesday. —Mr. Silas McBee and daughters, Estelle and Vardrine, of Vance, Tenn., are at Mr. V. A. McBees. —Miss Bessie Johnston and her sister, Miss Lizzie Johnston of Elizabeth City, are here for the holidays. —The Presbyterian Sunday school children will meet on Monday night to prepare a box for thephans. —Capt. B. F. Grigg was at Fallston a few days last week hunting birds. He reports birds very scarce up that way. —Rev. R. J. McIlwain of Kings Mountain, will preach in the 1st Presbyterian church on Sunday, December 22, at 11 a. m. —The popular hardware store of Ramsaur & Burton, was moved last week, to J. C. Cobb's brick building. Call and see them. —Horace P. Seagle and Miss Ada Fortenberry, both of this city, were married on Dec. 15, by Hip Carpenter officiating. —Mrs. Lawing's company for holidays is Miss Josie Pharr, Charlotte and Miss Helen Jones, of Hodges, S. C. —Our popular and fully equipped young lawyer, B. A. Justice, Esq., was in attendance at Federal court last week. —Misses Mary and Ella Baker, of the X Roads, visited their father, D. A. Baker, hardware merchant, Shelby, N. C., last week. —The ladies of Lincolnton will meet to learn the departure of A. Motz, who adds so much to our society. Mr. Motz returns to North Carolina to superintend a cotton factory, for which business he is so well prepared.

—County Commissioner, J. E. Reinhardt of Iron Station, was in town last Saturday. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Koer. —Mr. Winslow Smith of Machpelah, was here last Saturday on business. He says he has no politics now at all. He was once a Republican. —The Hickory Mercury and the Caucasian will please excuse us for talking about them so much this week. But "mean things" must be handled sometimes. —D. W. Robinson, Esq., one of North Carolina's most talented lawyers, returned Sunday from Charlotte where he has been in attendance at Federal Court. —We are sorry to say that Sheriff Rhodes is no better. Dr. Campbell, of Newton, was here on Monday in consultation with Dr. Costner as touching the Sheriff's case. —Rev. D. M. Austin preached an able sermon in his church here on Sunday morning and another in the evening. He is an able and much loved pastor and a good man. —Anything in the jewelry line ordered on short notice at a saving of 50%. Gold watches \$8.50 to \$15.00, any movement. Everything guaranteed.—F. P. CAUBLE, Jeweler. —The mail carrier on the "Mud Route" by Crimsic let his horse run away at Crimsic P. O. one day last week. The cart was demolished, but otherwise no damage was done. —Mr. B. A. Justice of this place and Mr. Thos. Dixon of Charlotte went up to Maiden last Friday to hunt birds. They found some birds, but Mr. Justice has a sore foot as a result. —Mr. W. Lester Coon, brother of Mr. Clarence Coon, who has been in business at Baltimore for some months past is at home now. He is helping at Robinson's during the holidays. —Judge Hoke and Miss Sallie Badger are at home for the holidays. The Judge has been holding a two week's term of court at Asheville, and Miss Sallie has been visiting in Columbia, S. C. —S. G. Finley, Esq., one of the lawyers in the noted Graham case in Charlotte last week, returned to his office on Saturday, where he will be found ready and able to attend to professional business. —The Seaboard Air Line will sell Holiday tickets at the rate of four cents per mile one way. Tickets on sale December 22nd to 25th, and on December 29th to January 1st. Extreme limit January 3rd. —Mr. Geo. W. Cochrane of Newton, passed through Lincolnton Saturday on his way home from Charlotte, where he has been located for some time working for the North Carolina Abstract Company, of which Maj. S. M. Finger of Newton, is president. —H. D. Warlick, Esq., of Reepsville, is another Democrat who gets the Caucasian free of charge. He says he has been getting the paper free of charge for sometime. We wonder why the Caucasian does not explain how this is. Let us hear from you on this point. —We wish to call the attention of Democrats to the fact that the Populists and Republicans are working all the time to carry the next election. It would seem that Democrats ought to do some work in the meantime. Suppose you try the DEMOCRAT as a counter influence. —Every man in Lincoln county ought to read the DEMOCRAT. We do not, however, ask you to do us the favor to read it, if you do not find it worth the while. Democrats ought to read it, because it is a Democratic paper, Populists and Republicans should read it to find out what is said about them in these columns. —The Chester and Lenoir railroad will sell Holiday tickets at the rate of five cents per mile one way. Tickets on sale December 17th to 25th with final limit to return January 3rd. Will also sell at the rate of four cents per mile one way, special round trip tickets to students of schools or colleges, upon presentation of certificate signed by the president or principal. Dates and limits same as above.

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