

Miss Essie Johnson of Charlotte is visiting Mrs. C. C. Sikes.

Best cotton is bringing 10.90 today.

Mrs. Frank Williams is visiting in Charlotte this week.

Mrs. T. W. Bickett of Louisburg is visiting Mrs. F. B. Ashcraft.

Mrs. C. G. Barrier and little son have gone to Prosperity, S. C., on an extended visit to relatives.

Mrs. Clem Lane of Raleigh and Mrs. W. A. Lane went to Atlanta yesterday for a few days.

Mrs. W. C. Wolfe and daughter, Miss Nellie Wolfe, are visiting in Columbia.

Rev. D. A. Snider will preach at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church Thanksgiving day at 11 o'clock.

Mr. L. G. Helms has bought Mr. Lee Presley's interest in the beef market of Walters & Presley.

The rural mail carriers will have holiday on Thanksgiving day. They deserve a rest day occasionally.

Mr. W. E. Funderburk of this township is a lucky man. He hasn't yet sold a bit of his cotton, and he has a good deal.

The Journal is requested to announce that Rev. D. C. Jenkins will preach at Rock River church next Sunday.

Mr. Spurgeon Dees and Miss Lou Tucker were married at Olive Branch Sunday, Esq. H. T. Baum officiating.

Mr. Conley Thomas of Marshville and Miss Mittie Williams of Rockingham were married last Wednesday.

Dr. J. B. Eubanks of Lanes Creek, accompanied Mrs. Lila Parker to the hospital at Charlotte Wednesday, where she will undergo treatment.

Mr. J. C. McRorie and Miss Minnie Cook, both of Goose Creek, were married on the 15th by Esq. A. J. Farr, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. S. A. Cook.

The two weeks' meeting conducted by the pastor at the Baptist church closed Sunday. Six persons joined the church, and five were baptized Sunday night.

The "sock party" at the Presbyterian manse Friday evening was quite a success. The funds raised amounted to \$45 and will be used on the church grounds.

Messrs. Barrett, Mills and Penegar, rural carriers on routes No. 6, 5 and 3, respectively, have bought specially constructed mail delivery wagons and will have them on the roads in December.

The fire last night and the difficulty and hardship of getting the hose reels to it by hand, say plainly that the fire company ought to have a horse and hose wagon, and have them right away, too.

Pretty invitations have been issued announcing the marriage of Miss Wilma Armfield, daughter of Mr. E. A. Armfield, to Mr. Julian Walter Lauey. The event will occur on the 25th, in the Methodist church, at 8 p. m.

Mr. R. P. Powell, who lives in Goose Creek township, reports that he found a sack of cotton hidden in the bushes near the road as he was coming to Monroe the other day. He says that the loser (?) can get it by applying to him.

Young Frank Stevens, son of Mr. R. L. Stevens, has been suffering severely for about two weeks from poisoning from poison oak. It was on his face and broke out very severely all over the face. He is now getting better.

Mr. Jas. H. Williams, the local treasurer of the Royal Arcanum at Monroe, will pay today to Mrs. Nancy C. Steward, widow of the late John Milton Stewart, \$3,000, the amount of the policy Mr. Stewart held in that order.

A peddler, who can speak only very poor English, lodged at a house in the eastern suburbs of town Friday night, and when he left next day found that he was minus \$45 and a shirt. He got after his host so hotly with a warrant from "Squire Frow, that the money was finally brought up and delivered, all but about four dollars, yesterday. He then withdrew his suit.

The buildings at Mr. P. F. Lee's tannery, in Lane's Creek township, were destroyed by fire Wednesday evening. About \$175 worth of hides and leather, together with \$60 in money, were among the contents consumed. He had recently taken insurance but had not yet received his policy. He estimates the total loss at something over \$600.

Col. E. M. Boykin, president of the Farmers and Merchants' Bank of Camden, shot himself to death with a gun yesterday afternoon. On hearing the news, Mr. E. C. Zemp, the cashier of the bank, left home, ostensibly to go to Col. Boykin's home, but instead, went to his own barn and shot himself through the head with a pistol, dying instantly. The dispatch says that if there is any shortage in the bank it had not then been discovered.

Messrs. Howard & Son are opening a machine shop in the brick building near the passenger depot. Mr. W. G. Howard of the firm has just returned from Cincinnati, O., where he bought some of the best machinery and tools made. He says he had trouble in getting just the kind of machinery he wanted and had to go to three different cities for them. He bought one lathe weighing 8,000 pounds. These gentlemen are good workmen and we bespeak for them a liberal patronage.

GALLONS TO THE CHAINGANG

John Marsh, colored, tried and found guilty at the last November term of court of a criminal assault on the person of Alice Carelock, a public school teacher and the daughter of a respectable colored man of Lanes Creek township, and sentenced to be hanged by the neck until dead, will, instead of paying this penalty, go to the chain-gang for thirty days. Incidentally, he will serve eleven months on the roads for carrying concealed weapons, a pistol having been found on his person when he was arrested. He has already been in jail for more than a year.

The case came up at this term, a new trial having been allowed by the Supreme Court. The trial was set to begin Thursday and a special venire of 150 men from which to draw a jury was summoned. The jury was selected on Thursday, and the woman, who was the principal witness, and her father gave their testimony. After hearing the testimony, which was materially much weaker than that given by the woman at the former trial, the Solicitor stated that he could not ask for a verdict of guilty. Judge Justice said that he could not, after hearing the testimony, allow the verdict to stand if the jury should find guilty. This turn of the case caused the prosecution to submit it as a simple assault. On this charge the Judge gave a sentence of thirty days on the roads, which was as high as he could go by law, and then sentenced Marsh to an additional eleven months for carrying concealed weapons. As a matter of simple justice to the court, it should be stated that the evidence of the woman this time was not as strong as before, it being especially weakened by certain additions which she made to it. It is said that she has lost her mind since the trial. At least, she is very hysterical.

Court adjourned on Friday morning. Other cases disposed of since the last issue of The Journal are as follows: H. H. Tarleton, M. C. Helms, W. M. Helms and Jim Williams, assault and battery; W. M. Helms fined \$50 and one-third of costs; H. H. Tarleton fined \$20 and one-third of costs; M. C. Helms fined \$5 and one-third of costs; Jim Williams fined \$5.

William Horn, immorality; 6 months on chain gang. Babe Perry, carrying concealed weapon; \$10 and costs. Marshall Little, assault and battery; not guilty. Gilbert Stockton, immorality; 3 months on chain gang. Ellis Huntley, assault and battery; not guilty. Ezekiel Crowder, carrying concealed weapon; \$15 and costs. Paul Rose, carrying concealed weapon; \$10 and costs. Scott McCain, immorality; 12 months on chain gang.

Dr. H. M. Brooks submitted for violating State liquor laws by unlawfully giving prescription for whiskey. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs. The defendant was arrested on this charge Wednesday and, being bound over by "Squire Frow, went into court and submitted.

The case of Ashley Baucum, reported in last week's paper, took another turn and was marked off the records of the court. Baucum and his wife compromised their differences. He paid her \$300 in cash to relinquish all claims whatsoever to all interest in his estate, and they agreed not to live together any more. Mr. Baucum went back to his home in New Salem township, and Mrs. Baucum has gone to live with her people in Concord.

Union Meeting. The union meeting of the Union Baptist Association will be held with the Meadow Branch church beginning Friday, the 27th inst. The following is the program: FRIDAY. 11:00 a. m.—Introductory sermon by M. D. L. Preslar. 1:30 p. m.—Organization. 2:00 p. m.—Query: What is Bible discipline in a Baptist church? R. Pope, J. L. Bennett. SATURDAY. 9:30 a. m.—Devolotional exercise. 10:00 a. m.—Query: Should our church trials be public or private? Which does the New Testament teach? A. Marsh, J. A. Divens. 11:00 a. m.—Query: How is the world to know that I am a Christian? J. G. Gullege, A. M. Newson. 1:00 p. m.—Query: Can anyone be on scriptural grounds who is opposed to missions? W. F. Watson, J. W. Bivens. 2:00 p. m.—Query: Is there enough preaching on the horrors of hell? G. O. Wilhoit, T. P. Little. SUNDAY. 10:00 a. m.—Sunday School mass meeting. J. E. Dowd. COMMITTEE. Visitation by Bishop Cheshire. The Rt. Rev. Jos. Blount Cheshire, D. D., bishop of North Carolina, will visit St. Paul's mission, Monroe, on Wednesday, the 18th inst., for the purpose of administering confirmation. Services will be held in St. Paul's church on that day at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited. GILBERT HIGGS, Minister in Charge.

All members of Monroe Lodge No. 38, Knights of Pythias, are asked to attend the meeting to-night, as the Grand Chancellor will be present and the rank of Esquire will be conferred. S. J. WELSH, K. of R. and S. Oysters & Thanksgiving. We will have twenty gallons of fine oysters for Thanksgiving. Send in your orders early. John R. Simpson & Co.

Tour of the Nations. A "Tour of the Nations" will be given on Friday by the ladies of the Baptist Auxiliary. The carriages will start at the station, Hale's gallery, at three o'clock on Friday evening, and will run till eleven at night, making a trip each hour. First you will go to Dixie and America, represented at Mrs. Fletcher's; thence to Egypt, at Mrs. C. H. Richardson's; then on to Ireland, at Mrs. W. A. Lane's; thence to Iceland, at Mrs. C. L. Youngblood's; and last but not least, to Japan, at Mrs. Hargis'. Coaches will leave station every hour. All round trip, thirty-five cents. We will soon be in our handsome new banking house and invite our friends to call on us. Our business has steadily grown and we shall continue to give our customers fair and honest service. Call in and see us. The Savings, Loan & Trust Co. Cranberries. We will have plenty of the finest grade of cranberries for your Thanksgiving turkey. Order in time. John B. Simpson & Co. To Bridal Parties. Now is your time to take a cheap trip around the world. Thirty-five cents on next Friday.

TALKING WITH THE PEOPLE.

How Does a Man Who Has Narrowly Escaped Hanging Feel—An Old Darkey Who Won Sympathy in His Trouble—An Extract from the Revised Blueback. Great Improvement in the Orderliness of the County—When to Rotate With Good Fertilizer.

"Ginlet, twenty minutes for breakfast" sang out Capt. Geo. Shannon-house, who now runs between Richmond and Columbia. And spying a Monroe man—"How's Monroe? Don't I wish I was there for a week to drink water and quarrel with Dr. Houston?"

How can a man feel who has escaped hanging, but by the uncertain margin of a legal technicality? So it was with John Marsh. His sentence had been pronounced: "To be hanged by the neck until dead, dead, dead, and may God have mercy upon your soul." But in transcribing the papers a slight omission was made. The Supreme Court gave a new trial, and from hanging the sentence came to a twelve-months on the chain gang. What effect will the close call have upon the after-life of a negro of savage instincts that Marsh appears to have? Brutish and fierce and withal a great deal of sense, he possesses the ability and shrewdness and daring to contrive the acts that have given him a severely bad name. Whether he will or will not be sobered by his confinement, his narrow escape and hard work on the roads, remains to be seen a year from now.

There are souls under black skins. Take the old darkey, the father of the woman who was the prosecuting witness against Marsh. Those who saw him pitted. Without a doubt the frog was in his soul. An upright, respectable, almost venerable, old darkey. Among the things that he had learned from anti-bellum masters was self-respect—self-respect like unto the white man's self-respect, and he possessed a strong, though uneducated mind. A stainless life and a daughter's honor were evidently dear to the old white-haired, tawny-skinned father. There, too, were the deliberate and the self-control of long training, for when the daughter became hysterical over the result of the trial, he tried to whisper something about "trusting God." And so who shall say that some anguish is the penalty only of those who are highly refined and cultured and live in good houses?

"I have just been thinking," said Road Commissioner Thos. E. Williams Saturday, "that if there were barrooms in Monroe now, with cotton at eleven cents, there would be a great deal of drunkenness. The quietude that reigns on the public roads now is in striking contrast to the drunkenness and rowdiness that obtained a few years ago. It used to be dangerous to be on the public roads, especially after dark, on account of the reckless driving and runaway teams caused by drunken drivers. You have only to look on the public roads to see the difference that has come over us."

From the revised version of the Blueback. "Does Capt. W. C. Heath yet wear his beautiful Panama?" "He does." "How long will he wear it?" "Till Christmas, maybe."

Dr. Geo. T. Winston, president of the State Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh, is like the cat—he never falls on his back. The other night after the professors of agriculture at the college had lectured there, the Doctor himself got up to make a few remarks. The subject of crop rotation was under discussion, and thinking to catch him, one of the bolder fellows asked: "Now, Doctor, you say rotate peas or clover or alfalfa or something of the kind with our cultivated crops? Well, down in my country we have tried all of those things and they won't grow. What shall we do?" "I guess you'll have to rotate with a plenty of good fertilizer," was the ready response. And the crowd gave a gasp.

Why will men dabble with the fatusome game of futures as they are doing all over the country today? Long years of toil and stint and saving swept away in a moment! 'Twas ever thus. Hundreds of years ago The Preacher said: "Dead flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savor; so doth a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom and honor."

How is this scripture text for the weather observers? "He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that observeth the clouds shall not reap."

A story is going the rounds of how a new clerk got off a big stock of a fancy food which a Monroe merchant had. There are now hundreds of special breakfast, dinner and supper food preparations. One of these the merchant in question had allowed himself to get overstocked on, and it became dead on his hands and the dust had gathered upon the bright yellow packages. After his new clerk had been there some time, the merchant one day noticed that his old stock of breakfast food had disappeared, and he was, of course, very much interested to know how his new helper had gotten rid of it. "Why," said that future merchant prince, "wasn't that stuff horse and cattle powders? I sold it every bit as the best grade of horse and cattle medicine, sure."

Sometimes the lawyers are accused of talking just for the sake of the talk, but this charge doesn't lie against them. They always have some end in view, but it has turned out that at least one lawyer forgot what his end was. In Chief Justice

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Flow's court the other day, the lawyers wrangled for hours on the admission of testimony. After one of them had contended a long time to the judge that he ought to be allowed to ask a certain question, and the opposing lawyer had objected strenuously all the time, the court said, "Well, go ahead and ask your question." The lawyer looked confused at this, hurriedly turned appealingly to his associate, and then said, "Your Honor, I've forgotten what I wanted to ask him."

Attempted Assault in Chesterfield. Messrs. Will and Frank Porter of Monroe received a message yesterday that their little six-year-old sister had been outraged by a negro named Jim Honeycutt, who worked on her father's place in upper Chesterfield county. They went down and have not yet returned. A telephone message this morning says that the children were at the spring Sunday evening when the trouble occurred, and that the child was not carried out. The child went to the house and told her older sister, who gave no alarm until her parents, who were away, returned home. Search has been going on for the negro but up until this morning he had not been caught. He is about twenty years old and black.

Pensions for This Year. The State auditor says that the amount which Confederate pensioners are to receive in the various classes this year will be as follows: First class, \$60; second class, \$45 (a reduction of \$1 from last year); third class, \$35, and fourth class (including widows), \$14 (a reduction of 50 cents from last year). The total amount will be about \$202,000, but about \$2,000 is annually returned to the auditor on account of the death of pensioners to whom warrants have been issued. Applies at 25 cents per week, at John R. Simpson & Co's.

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