

Tuesday, December 29, 1903.

Best cotton today 12.67.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Long spent Christmas in Charlotte.

Rev. A. Walker White has moved from Robeson, S. C., to Monroe.

Mr. J. H. Boyte has returned from a six weeks' surveying trip in Anson county.

Mr. Wm. Craven of Cooleemee visited friends in town for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Laney of Wadesboro are visiting relatives in town.

Rev. R. H. Broom and daughter, Miss Sue, of Carthage are here visiting his father, Mr. G. D. Broom.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Evans of Jefferson are in Monroe for the holidays.

Miss Nettie Riggins of Charlotte is here spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. G. D. Broom.

Mrs. Rosa Rountree of Gaffney, S. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. F. Laney.

Mr. W. J. Rudge returned this morning from Concord, where he spent Christmas.

Mr. Guy Daniels of Newberry, S. C., visited friends in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Griffin of Wadesboro are visiting relatives in the town and county.

Mr. Willis McCain and wife of Arkansas are visiting relatives in the county.

Esq. C. N. Simpson returned last night from an extended trip to Arkansas and other Western States.

Mr. F. B. Ashcraft and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. J. W. Bivens at Wingate.

Messrs. C. C. and Dick Sikes left yesterday for the West to buy mules and horses. They expect to buy two or three car loads.

Prof. L. L. Parker, principal of the Rocky Mount graded school, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Parker of Laney Creek.

It has long been a custom to "pound" the preachers, but Mr. Penegar is the first mail carrier to be treated to such a drubbing.

Mr. J. E. Biggers, who has been with Messrs. J. R. Simpson & Co., will enter school at Unionville next week.

Rev. Edward Fullenwider and wife and Miss Ella Walters of Concord are visiting at Mr. G. O. Fullenwider's.

Mr. Smith Medlin, who is attending school in Richmond, Va., spent the holidays with his father, Mr. L. Medlin of this township.

Mr. Frank E. Bivens of Arkansas arrived last night to visit his father, Mr. H. F. Bivens of Waxhaw.

Miss Eugenia Rowe, who is teaching in the Concord graded school, spent Christmas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Rowe.

Miss Lottie Eagle of Salisbury is visiting her sister, Miss Eagle of the graded school, at Mr. E. C. Williams'.

The Veterinary Science Association of Canada will shortly open a branch office in Monroe. Mr. O. P. Wimberly, who will move to Monroe this week, will be the manager.

Messrs. Isaac Mattox, Henry Nash and Charles Williams, who left this county several years ago for Arkansas, are visiting relatives in the county.

Mr. J. S. Hasty has received instructions to continue the postoffice in the present building. The place will at once be given a glass front and other needed improvements made.

Mr. T. V. Howell will begin carrying mail on rural route No. 1, from Peachland, January 1st. It will run through northern Lanesboro and the southern part of Burnsville township.

The successful number in the contest for the big doll in Levy's window proved to be 89. The holder of this number has not yet declared himself, but will get the doll whenever he shows up.

Mr. L. L. Medlin, who is studying law at Wake Forest, spent last week with his father, Mr. J. D. Medlin, who has lately moved to Monroe and lives near the graded school.

The colored folks are preparing to give their emancipation celebration on January the first. Dr. York Jones, a professor at Biddle University at Charlotte, will make an address in the court house.

The graded school gave holiday last week from Wednesday. The teachers gave Christmas trees in their several rooms, and the children reciprocated with tokens of thoughtful remembrances for the teachers.

Messrs. Boyce & Whitley have opened a photographic studio upstairs over Collins & Biggers' store. These young men are both natives of this county. Mr. Boyce being a son of Rev. S. C. Boyce of Sandy Ridge township.

Mr. D. A. Houston received a big fat deer as a Christmas present from his brother, Mr. Hugh Houston of Arkansas. It was a big buck, brought down by two rifle bullets. Mr. Houston remembered about fifty of his friends with steaks and cutlets.

There will be preaching at the Presbyterian church on Thursday and Friday nights by the pastor, as 7:15. Thursday evening's theme is "The great question of Platte and its answer." Friday evening, preparatory service for the communion on Sunday morning. The public is cordially invited.

An unusually large number of the former citizens of this county who have made their homes in the West, have returned this winter on visits, but so far as we have heard, Mr. T. A. Lathan and family are the only ones who have come back to stay. Mr. Lathan went to Arkansas many years ago and hasn't been back in seventeen years. He is now with his brother, Mr. J. H. Lathan, in Buford township, and will settle either in this or Lanesboro county. We should like to see the tide turn and bring back many of those who have left us in the years ago.

Sam Baker, a colored citizen of Laney Creek township, whose exploit several years ago of making nine bales of cotton with the aid of one steer was noted in The Journal, has continued to prosper, as was to be expected. Sam was in Monroe last week with money in his pocket, yet he hasn't sold a lock of cotton this year. Sam now owns between fifty and sixty acres of land, works a mule, and turns up his nose at ten-cent cotton. Sam made between four and five bales this year, and says he "hain't agwine to sell it till it gits to de top." "I told my neighbors," he said, "dat I ain't got no ten-cent cotton."

The boys and girls not mentioned last week, who have spent the holidays at home, are Messrs. D. A. Covington, Ed Long of Goose Creek and Boyce Ashcraft of Marshville, from Wake Forest; O. L. Hinson, Frank Lee, David Futch, Cyrus Stewart, Emsly Arntfield, Frank and Sneed Ogburn and Marcus English, from Trinity; Walter Love, from the University; Misses Mary Davis, May Flow, Minnie Love, from the State Normal; Misses Oula Long, Mary Lee Bivens of Wingate and Escar Ashcraft of Marshville, from the Baptist University at Raleigh.

A ministerial association was formed on Tuesday morning at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. J. C. Rowe, D. D., was elected president and Rev. Geo. H. Atkinson secretary. The association will meet the Mondays after the 2nd and 4th Sundays, at ten o'clock, meeting at the different homes of the ministers. The next meeting will be on January 11th, at the Episcopal rectory. Dr. Higgs will address the association on "The pastor in the sick room." All of the ministers of the county are cordially invited to attend.

The Journal had a call last week from Mr. J. C. Laney of Texas, who, with his mother and brother, Mr. Thomas Laney, are visiting relatives in this county. Mrs. John Howie of Mineral Springs is a brother of Mr. Laney, whose father, the late John Laney, left the Pleasant Grove section for Texas twenty-eight years ago. Mr. Laney is a prosperous young farmer of middle Texas. He says there are no boll weevils in his section. He will remain here about a week. His mother may spend the summer.

It used to be the custom for dealers in hogs to drive large droves of big fat pigs through the country in this section and sell one or a dozen to anybody who wanted to buy, after the manner of horse drovers. Now, such live hogs as are brought in come by rail, though it is quite unusual to see any brought at all for pork. Messrs. Niven & Co. of Waxhaw unloaded a car of hogs and one of mules here last week and drove them to Waxhaw.

Prof. S. A. Stewart, teacher in Trinity Park High School, Durham, spent last week with his mother, Mrs. S. M. Stewart. Mr. Stewart, who is a minister, preached to a large congregation in Central Methodist church Sunday night. His text was, "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God," and he preached an earnest, thoughtful and interesting sermon.

Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Walker of Waxhaw spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Alexander, who have lately moved to Monroe from Pineville and occupy the Presbyterian manse. Mrs. Alexander is Prof. Walker's mother, and he has never spent a Christmas away from her.

Rev. R. M. Hoyle, formerly pastor of the Monroe church, has resigned the presiding eldership of the Waynesville district on account of ill health. The Bishop has offered the appointment to Rev. M. A. Smith.

Mr. William Fanning Becker of Rutherfordton will be married tomorrow to Miss Hannah Elizabeth Hoyle, daughter of Rev. H. M. Hoyle of Waxhaw.

Miss Mollie Marsh, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie Marsh, and Mr. Jas. L. Winchester of Monroe were married in South Carolina on Sunday.

A Letter to Everybody Who Has a House to Paint.

Have you read many letters about paints that under any conditions would never stop lasting? A painter could get drunk and just throw the paint up against a house and it would just last and last, but not least. We sell paint sometimes ourselves, and we know it's good paint. There may be some paint somewhere just as good, might be made of the same material in the same proportion, but a paint can't be made better than B. P. S. It is not guaranteed against fire and flood, improper applications, and labor-saving painters who are afraid to rub it in; but applied under proper conditions it is strictly guaranteed. While others write letters about paint, we saw wood and sell paint, good paint, and stacks of it—in fact, nearly all that is sold in town. If you have a house to paint, come to see us. We can tell you things about paint you don't know. ENGLISH DRUG CO.

When you want a pleasant purgative try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are easy to take and produce no nausea, griping or other disagreeable effect. For sale by Dr. S. J. Welch and C. N. Simpson, Jr.

Foot Lost, but a Life Saved.

Christmas day was the most unfortunate one of his life for Mr. J. W. Connell, who has charge of the pump at the railroad yard. He lost his foot in a manner that came very near taking his life in a most horrible manner. He was walking on the track between the two depots, near a switch, and seeing an engine approaching, attempted to step from one track to another. Unfortunately, one of his feet was caught in the frog of the switch, which held it like a vice. Struggle as he might, he could not free himself, and the engine, too near to be stopped, bore down upon him. As he swayed to one side in a vain effort to keep his body from being hit, some protruding piece of the engine struck his thigh and threw him from the track, tearing the foot off at the ankle. Great and painful as this loss was, it was cheap, for it was the purchase price of his life. Other cases where men have been caught in this manner resulted in horrible deaths. Why this did not was the merest accident. Besides the loss of the foot a great hole was torn in Mr. Connell's thigh, where the protruding part of the engine hit him. Dr. Blair, the railroad physician, and Drs. Monroe and Stewart amputated the leg some distance above the place where it was torn apart.

Another accident occurred at the freight depot crossing yesterday. It resulted in the smash-up of a new wagon of Shute Bros., and the shaking up of John Blakey, the colored driver. John started early yesterday morning for the brickyard for a load of brick. As he reached the crossing, box cars stood on either side, and seeing Mr. Curlee, the watchman, on the other side, John thought all was safe and started over. Just as his engine crossed the track the switch engine of the yard shot out from behind the cars and took the wagon amidst ship, smashing it completely. John escaped with some bruises and gashes, and the mules were not hurt.

It looks as if the railroad company would save money as well as life by hurrying up its overhead bridge. On Christmas day Mr. E. C. Winchester gave a dinner party at Mr. Sample's popular hotel, The Gloucester. His guests were Misses Fay Gaddy, My Blakey, Ashie Gaddy, and Messrs. Frank Austin and V. C. Austin. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Houston entertained at dinner on Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Meares, Capt. and Mrs. W. A. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Wriston Lee. Mrs. A. Levy gave a "home" dinner to a few of her friends on Christmas day.

Miss Margie Williamson delightfully entertained her visiting friends, Misses Etta Stephenson and Janie Lee of Anderson, S. C., Friday evening. The parlors and hall were decorated with potted plants and mistletoe. Many young people enjoyed Miss Williamson's hospitality.

Miss Bright Ogburn entertains tonight. Mrs. Francis Ramsey announces the engagement of her daughter, Alida, to Mr. John M. Fairley—the marriage to take place January 6th, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Ashcraft will give an "at home" Friday night.

Death of An Old Citizen.

Mr. Adam Long of Goose Creek township, whose injuries and fatal sickness was reported in The Journal some time ago, died on the 17th inst. Though eighty-five years of age, Mr. Long's death resulted from illness consequent upon the breaking of his arm by the kick of a horse. The body was buried at Crooked Creek church and the funeral preached by Elder S. E. Williams. Mr. Long lived all his long life where he was born, and was a model to his neighbors for all the years of his manhood. Kind, honest, industrious, neighborly, it could not have been otherwise. Mrs. Long survives her husband. For sixty-one years they lived and loved, reared their children and kept a happy home. "Uncle Adam" was the patriarch of his community, a man in whom there was no guile. He leaves four sons, all of them substantial and good citizens with children and grandchildren of their own. They are W. G. Long of Goose Creek township, Jesse L. Long of Stanly county, John L. Long of Monroe and Thos. E. Long of Arkansas.

Holiday Notice.

Friday, January 1st, 1904, being a legal holiday, the following banks of the City of Monroe will be closed up tight. All notes and drafts maturing on that day are by law matured on the day before. THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF MONROE, By Roscoe Phifer, Cashier. THE SAVINGS, LOAN & TRUST CO., By F. H. Wolfe, Cashier. THE BANK OF UNION, By W. S. Blakeney, President. December 29th, 1903.

A Card of Thanks.

I take this method of expressing my thanks and appreciation to the patrons of my route for the many presents and nice things found in their mail boxes for me in the last few days. I presume as a token of the appreciation of my services as a rural letter carrier. I hope that I will still be able to give you better service, if possible. With best wishes to you all for a happy and prosperous new year, I remain, Yours to serve, ADAM C. PENEGAR, R. L. C. No. 5, MONROE, N. C.

The finest Florida oranges to be seen are for sale by S. R. Doster.

THE OLD RELIABLE



Absolutely Pure THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

Death of Mrs. T. F. Brown.

Mrs. T. M. Brown died at the home of her son, Mr. T. B. Brown, in Monroe Saturday afternoon. The cause of death was catarrh of the stomach. She had been suffering with this trouble for a long time. Just before returning to Monroe from McCall, where she had lived some time, Mrs. Brown went to a hospital in Savannah and spent some time, but with little or no improvement. On coming to Monroe this fall she gradually got worse until the end came. The funeral was held yesterday morning by Rev. Mr. Atkinson, at the Presbyterian church. Mr. Brown and son, Mr. Henry Brown, were at Chadbourn and were wired for. They arrived Saturday night, accompanied by Hon. Jas. A. Brown and wife. Mrs. J. C. Edwards of that place, a sister of Mr. Brown, had spent the week preceding here.

The deceased was Miss Henrietta Rushing of Anson county. She was born May 29, 1846, and married August 16, 1874. After spending some time in Wadesboro, Mr. and Mrs. Brown came to Monroe in 1877 and, with the exception of a short time spent in South Carolina, lived here continuously. A husband and three children survive the mother. One sister, Mrs. Esson of Waxhaw, and a half sister, Mrs. Huntley of Anson county, also survive. Mrs. Brown was a member of the Presbyterian church. She was a sweet, gentle woman, and had many warm friends. Those who knew her best loved her best. During her long and severe illness, besides all the attentions of her own family, she received loving ministrations from her friends. A good woman, who bore pain and suffering with genuine fortitude, has gone to her reward.

Effect of Last Week's Christmas Sentiments.

Waxhaw R. F. D. No. 2, Dec. 28—Christmas has passed. It has been noted by a number of our citizens as the quietest time for Christmas that ever has been in these parts. Several things conspired in the recent past to bring about this change. One of the most important is, there are no intoxicating drinks to be had for love nor money. Then, too, our people seem to realize that the first announcement of Christmas was marked with the news, "Peace on earth, good will toward men." The Christmas reflections in The Journal of last week, coming from so many good men and women, have had some effect. The myth of Santa Claus is not a bad thing, as he brings gifts not prized for their intrinsic value, but simply because they are gifts. Speed the time when this will be universally practiced. Mrs. Fanchon Belk spent the past week with relatives and friends in this community.

Well-Sold Pigs.

On the 22nd inst., Mr. J. M. Price, Sr., who has just passed his seventy-sixth birthday and still likes to farm, sold two pigs to Heath, Barrett & Grier at 87 cents. One of the pigs was twelve months old and weighed 368 pounds; the other, thirteen months old, weighed 436 pounds. For these pigs he received a check for \$76.38. J. J. M.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Bank of Union will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 12th, 1904, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and attending to such other business as may be necessary. A prompt and full attendance is desired. December 28th, 1903. W. S. BLAKENEY, President.

A Surprise.

On the night of December 24th, at 8 o'clock, the members of North Monroe church marched on us en masse: men, women and children. They brought meat, sugar and coffee in abundance, canned and boxed goods, etc. Such a reception makes the pastor and his family glad. The motive as well as the deed is commendable. The Lord bless the donors with abundance in this life and with life eternal hereafter. Respectfully, F. W. BRADLEY.

With the Subscribers and the Publishers.

We haven't had a "talk" with our readers for some time. We wouldn't have this one except for a remark made by one of them the other day. What you reckon he said? "Why," said he, "doesn't The Journal brag on itself? I think it is the best local weekly I ever saw, and I've read those from many counties." Of course, we feel like mentioning that. And another one said, in paying for the paper, "I expect to take it as long as we both live." Of course, we feel like putting that in, too. Maybe, though, if we put in much more I feel that our readers will get the idea that we are bragging, and we don't want that reputation.

Another thing we want to say at this time: We are very grateful for the strong friendship and partiality that our friends show us, and we feel like expressing it at this time. We know exactly how much we have collected on subscriptions this year and how much we collected last year, and the sum this year is greater than that of last year. That's why we are grateful and feel like saying so. We have made no phenomenal jump in circulation; we haven't tried to. At the same time, more of the good people of Union county are reading our paper this year than did last. The growth has been moderate, but substantial. We want to make a paper that every citizen of Union county can be glad to take, no matter what other papers he takes, local or otherwise. During 1904 we want to increase our number by half. You can help us by dropping an accidental word in a neighbor's ear. We'll be much obliged.

Yet one more thing, if you pardon: The Journal has never made a habit of dunning its subscribers, either through the paper or otherwise. But the following gem is from the last week's issue of the Statesville Landmark, and is far too good to let die:

"About this fine year it is the Landmark's custom to intimate, more or less directly, to all whom these presents may come, that any person indebted to this establishment is expected to call at the captain's desk at the earliest possible moment and cough up the cash. The salt of the earth, who come without being called, need not take notice of this injunction. It is our purpose, within the next thirty days, to have speech, in person or in writing, with all persons whatsoever in arrears, and but for the matter of custom we would not mention it publicly. . . . And may the blessings of the Christmas season be on saint and sinner alike."

A good many of our subscribers have not yet found it convenient to pay their back dues. We would like every one such to make it a point to see us during the month of January. We're not begging for this and we are not going to close up shop if we don't get it. But we are expecting it, and if every one "to whom these presents come" will make it a point to call on us during the first month of the new year, for 1904, we'll do the best we can for you. May it be something better than ever before.

Wanted.

Wanted—A few desirable families now living in the country, to learn cotton mill work. Our location is healthy, living cheap, and wages good. Some families making as much as \$100 per month. Apply by letter or in person to H. B. Heath, Sec. and Treas., Manetta Mills, Lando, S. C.

Pleasant Time at Judith.

Judith, Dec. 28—Will you please print the following item: Owing to the rain, the Christmas tree, which was to have come off on Christmas day, was postponed until Saturday. Notwithstanding the disappointment on Friday and the cold wind Saturday morning, a creditable assembly gathered Saturday. By 1:30 p. m. five trees were nicely laden with presents of rare beauty. A short address, which was full of advice for the young, was delivered by Mr. Milton Braswell. May we ever look forward with pleasant emotions to such occasions as ours was on last Saturday. G. R. M.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements will be inserted in this column at the price of one cent a word, cash in advance.

FOR SALE—Good young mare mule weighing about 1,000 pounds. She's a "cracker-jack." H. D. Stewart.

FOR RENT—For standing rent forty acres of tenable land; plenty of good cotton land and corn land. Good three room house, good well, barn, etc. Place convenient to graded school and town churches. Would make some improvements for first class tenant. H. D. Stewart.

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NOTICE—The firm of Hill & Bivens having dissolved, all persons indebted to the said firm are requested to make immediate settlement of their indebtedness. You can save cost and trouble by settling at once with E. O. Bivens, at Bivens & Helms'.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—December 23rd, one white and yellow spotted pointer dog; answers to name of Veno. Satisfactory reward for his return to W. A. Laney, Monroe, N. C.

LOOK OUT!—I will sell a good horse, wagon and carriage, to the highest bidder, on January 2nd, 1904, in front of the court house. H. Perry. Apply to Enoch Hart.

GOOD one-horse wagon and harness for sale. Bivens & Helms.

MESSRS. BOYCE & WHITLEY have opened a new photographic studio upstairs over Collins & Biggers' store, Fitzgerald building. Call to see them, and see their fine work and low prices. Mr. Boyce has had fifteen years' experience in making photographs in Knoxville, Tenn., and Charlotte, N. C., and his work speaks for itself.

IF YOU OWE Cadieu & Wallace, it will be to your interest to make immediate settlement.

MINUTES—By mistake some of the churches have received two packages of the Minutes of the Union Association. Such as have will please return one of the packages to The Journal Office.

BUNCH of keys have been left at A. The Journal Office, which the owner can get by calling.

FOR RENT—Two farms, just out of town; one known as the Broadacre tract, the other the Louis Lilly tract. Apply to Mrs. D. A. Covington.

NOTICE—I am preparing to leave Monroe. All who owe me must come up at once and settle or they will have to settle with my attorney. Henry A. Winchester.

50 CENTS pays for Our Home one year and gets a chance at a \$50 sewing machine. Write for free sample copies. Address Our Home, Marshville, N. C.

WANTED—All the seed cotton I can get: all paying from 35 to 45; and 23 cents per bu. for cotton seed; also buying lint cotton and cotton seed. Cotton seed meal and hay for sale. J. B. Nash, at old court house.

FARM FOR SALE—I will sell for cash or for part cash, payable in several successive years, 125 acres of land 5 miles from Monroe, with new house, new barn, and one horse farm open on it. Possession can be given at once. Frank Armfield.

FOR SALE—A good family mare. J. J. Shadd.

BRING your chickens and eggs to B. S. H. Hudson, next to Journal Office.

CALL at S. H. Hudson's and get a box of Heady's candies.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.—Parties owing me for professional services will find the accounts with Mr. Philip Whitley or Mr. H. W. Fusser, and a prompt payment of all accounts is requested to be made to either of the above gentlemen. A. D. N. Whitley.

ALL at S. H. Hudson's for Fleischman's compressed yeast.

Lee & Lee, THE LEADING DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, CLOTHING, GENTS' FURNISHINGS, HAT AND SHOE STORE IN MONROE.

Lee & Lee advertisement featuring 'We Thank You' and 'New Goods Arriving'.

W. E. Lineback advertisement featuring '1/3 OFF PRICE!' and 'BIG CLEARANCE SALE'.

T. P. Dillon advertisement featuring 'Perhaps You did not get as a present that nice piece of furniture you have been wanting so long.'

Blank Books advertisement featuring 'BLANK BOOKS!' and 'Start the new year right, with a set of Hoffman Flat Opening Blank Books.'

Horses and Mules advertisement featuring 'HORSES AND MULES!' and 'Wholesale and Retail'.

Buck's Heaters advertisement featuring 'BUCK'S HEATERS' and 'The best Line of HEATERS on earth for the money.'