

Cotton is quoted on this market today at 7.25.

Mr. T. J. Jerome went to Concord yesterday.

Mr. Frank Krauss of Waxhaw is visiting at Mr. W. H. Krauss'.

Mrs. Harry Hargis spent yesterday in Charlotte.

Berk Brothers advertise a special embroidery sale tomorrow at 9:30.

Mrs. Ernest Heath of Yorkville, S. C., is visiting her parents in Monroe.

Rev. M. D. L. Preslar will preach at Mt. Pleasant on next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Joseph Haney and wife of Rock Hill, S. C., are visiting at Mr. T. P. Dillon's.

Mr. C. B. Laney and family of Wadesboro spent Sunday with relatives in Monroe.

The Piedmont Buggy Company has issued a beautiful new catalogue of 150 pages, showing in fine shape its several styles of vehicles.

Mr. R. M. Gaffney of Gaffney and little Miss Daisy Wilkins spent Easter with Mr. Gaffney's daughter, Mrs. J. F. Laney.

The Friday Afternoon Book Club will meet with Mrs. F. B. Ashcraft next Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Monroe Steam Laundry has put out a pretty covered delivery wagon. It was built by the Piedmont Buggy Company.

It is stated that eighty-five new buildings have been erected in High Point since the first of this year.

Messrs. Herndon Hasty and Webb Farham from Trinity and Webb Heath from Belmont spent Easter in Monroe.

Mr. C. A. Stroud, who lived at the Tindale place in this township for some time, died in Chester county, S. C., on the 18th, of typhoid pneumonia.

Mr. Lee Griffin, who has been living in Wadesboro for some time, has returned to Monroe and becomes bookkeeper for the Monroe Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Marion Helms of this county was married in Wadesboro last Wednesday to Mrs. Mattie Byrd, Rev. M. A. Smith performing the marriage ceremony.

The chain gang is now quartered in the old foundry building near the passenger depot and is engaged in scraping the several roads leading into town.

The Journal is requested to announce that Elder J. A. Monsees will preach at Union Grove on May the 2nd, at High Hill on the 3rd, and at Liberty on the 4th.

The list of the subscribers of the Sincerity telephone exchange and its connections, which is given on page four, may be of advantage to other "phone owners in the county.

An egg hunt was given Friday on the lawn at the residence of Mrs. D. A. Covington, the proceeds from which go to the Confederate monument fund.

Messrs. H. Miller and L. D. Ogburn, two large farmers of Chesterfield, who sold cotton on this market this morning, say that there will be very little average reduction in their neighborhood.

The family of Mr. T. B. Brown left this morning for Gastonia, where they will make their home, Mr. Brown having a position with the J. M. Berk Company of that place.

Maj. R. F. Miller, one of the best known citizens of Lancaster, died at that place last Friday morning of paralysis, aged 65 years. He was a brother of Mrs. L. M. Blair of Monroe.

Mr. Frank Heath, son of Mr. A. W. Heath of Waxhaw, who is a student at the A. and M. College, is a crack pitcher on the college nine and is winning games right along.

The commencement sermon at Wingate will be delivered next Sunday by Rev. S. N. Watson of Heath Springs. The address will be delivered on the following Friday by Hon. R. N. Page.

Mr. R. B. Redwine has been invited to deliver an address at the State Bar Association on the subject of savings banks. The association meets this year in Winston, May 16th.

The Journal has received from Prof. Jackson Hamilton, principal of the Gold Hill Academy, a pretty program announcement of his commencement exercises, which begin tomorrow and continue three days.

The English Drug Co. has let the contract for the plans of its three story building to be erected on the corner of Hayne and Franklin streets, to Messrs. Wheeler, Ruge and Dickey of Charlotte.

Dr. Chapman Heath of Richmond, Ky., is visiting relatives in this county. Dr. Heath is a brother of Messrs. A. W., B. D. and O. P. Heath, and left this section about forty years ago.

Messrs. J. C. Sikes, Jr., and F. H. Austin went to Charlotte yesterday to see the game of ball between Wake Forest and Furman. The former won with a score of 12 to 5.

The Light Bearers of Central Methodist church gave a pretty Easter entertainment Sunday evening. Mrs. J. J. Crow, the manager, trained the children in a most creditable manner and the entertainment was highly enjoyed by a large congregation. A nice collection for missions was taken.

Mr. J. W. Hasty and another revenue officer stationed in Wilkes county made an assault on the editor of the Wilkesboro Chronicle last week on account of an article that appeared in his paper concerning corrupt practices of revenue officers in Wilkes. The editor had just gotten out of a sick bed and was making his first trip up town when they attacked him. While the other officer smashed the weak man in the face, Hasty stood by with a drawn pistol and defied anybody to interfere. But notwithstanding this, bystanders rescued the editor, who, though a man of courage, was physically unable to do anything.

The Monroe Steam Laundry has been incorporated with Mr. J. J. Lockhart as president, Mr. J. C. Smith as secretary and Mr. E. R. Haynie as general manager. A cleaning and pressing department has been added with Mr. A. E. Alexander of Charlotte in charge. Mr. Alexander is an experienced man in this work and is prepared to do the very best work.

Wednesday evening of last week, on going to his barn to feed, Mr. M. F. Boyte, who lives at the Sikes place near town, found that some one had taken his cow from the stable and tied her to a post in the lot. The lines from a bridle had been tied in a slip knot around the cow's neck and she was almost choked to death.

Mr. Wm. B. Streeter, superintendent of the North Carolina Children's Home Society, located in Greensboro, N. C., will lecture at the Presbyterian church tonight at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend. Mr. Streeter's subject is "Saving Children." He has had a wide experience in Michigan as well as in North Carolina.

The Rutherfordton correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says that the Seaboard will soon put on a train to leave there in the morning, come to Monroe and return to Rutherfordton in the evening. If this is true it will be a great convenience to the people of the upper end.

Because the town owns its own light and water plants, the mayor of Gastonia has been invited by W. R. Hearst to go to New York and make a speech on municipal ownership of public utilities. The mayor of Monroe may look out for a call next to tell 'em how we do things.

The story of the safe robber, as it appears on the first page, certainly tallies closely with the actual occurrences as they have taken place about here, especially the breaking into the nearby blacksmith shops to get tools to open buildings with.

Rev. W. R. Ware has announced a series of meetings to begin next Sunday. Rev. J. P. Rogers of Mocksville will assist the pastor. There will be preparatory prayer services on to-morrow, Thursday and Friday evenings.

**Town Officers Nominated.**  
The primary for the nomination of town officers, held last Friday, resulted in the nomination of Mr. R. V. Houston for mayor and Messrs. T. C. Lee, J. T. Shute, J. A. Stewart, Randolph Redfern and Davis Arndfield for aldermen. The contest was spirited and a big vote was cast, as follows:

First ward—Lee 203, S. W. Parham 132.

Second ward—Shute 214, S. O. Blair 127.

Third ward—Stewart 195, J. C. Sikes, Sr., 149.

Fourth ward—Redfern 172, J. D. Melae 167.

At large—Arndfield 315, R. T. West 4, Frank Worley 4.

For mayor—Houston 208, H. B. Adams 129.

**St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church.**  
Owing to the death of Bishop Watson, the confirmation service, which was to have been held Wednesday evening by Bishop Cheshire, has been postponed until Thursday at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

J. L. MARTIN, Rector.

We recently had in our town Mr. J. C. Hebditch, representing Kellum Medicine Co. of Newport News, Va., the manufacturers of the recently famed Kellum's Sure Cure for Indigestion. He reports great sales in this city and state. To prove this medicine's real worth, he has arranged with me to give a free bottle to all who suffer with indigestion. If our opinion is worth anything, we would say you may be benefited and you cannot possibly lose by this proposition. S. J. WELSH.

**Will the Farmers Cut Down the Production of Cotton?**

This is now a great question that the Bulls and Bears and all the people of the cotton producing section are interested in. The farmers have the key to the situation, if they will only unlock the door, walk in and proclaim their rights. But the great question is not how to make money, but how to SAVE it. How much can you make a dollar worth to you? If you have a dollar and lose it it is worth nothing to you; if you can make it clothe you or your family for a season it is worth many times more than a hundred cents to you. Then the thing to do is make a dollar go as far as possible. You can do this only by spending your money where you can get the best articles and the most of them for it. I have the best and cheapest goods. While my stock is not as large as a wholesale stock, yet I have a little of everything: Flour, Meat, Coffee, Mill Feed, Tinware, Tobacco, and, in fact, anything you want, I have it.

L. S. HELMS.

**Talking With the People.**

The Journal has lately been publishing some splendid articles on the subject of poultry and they have attracted a good deal of attention among our readers. "I am going into the poultry business," said a prominent minister of the town the other day. "At least," he continued, "I am going to try to grow my own chickens and eggs." And he gathered up a big armful of back copies of The Journal containing poultry articles and went off home to begin to learn the art of growing poultry successfully. The reason we do not give the gentleman's name is that it would clearly be unfair to him. It is certain that if the news that a particular minister were satiating himself at home continually on fried chicken got out, the good housewives in the country would use no chicken before him this summer during the protracted meetings. No, we shall not give him away. At the same time it is not necessary to say that any good lady need give herself any worry about the matter, as in poultry growing, like in all things else, there's many a slip 'twix cup and lip, and no doubt all the preachers will still be able to eat chicken.

Of course, Dr. E. W. Sikes, the well known professor of Wake Forest College, made a good speech at Unionville last Thursday, as he always does. But it was not the speech to him or to good Prof. Hamilton that was the one which plain Walter Sikes, then a student in his last year at college, made at Unionville at the commencement of 1891. That time, when the boys sent off to get a speaker, they invited Mr. Sikes because he was one of their old comrades and a former student of whom Professor Hamilton was very fond. Nobody but Mr. Sikes' room-mates knew how carefully that speech was prepared and diligently practiced. The quiet woods about the college rang with the beautiful periods and well rounded sentences, and the echoes of the burning words floated far and wide. It was a reform speech, as the first speeches of all young men are. To be sure, it was not the speech that Dr. Sikes would now make, and he would probably not recognize it now were he to meet it in the road, but it was nevertheless a good speech and was enthusiastically received. And it is safe to say that the author will never make one of which he will be prouder, or that his hearers will enjoy more, or that the whole community took pride in it. On that day the genial face of good Professor Hamilton was more genial than ever, and his choicest blessings have followed his "boy" more diligently than ever.

Mr. L. S. Secrest of this township is a farmer who doesn't have to reduce much. He has never bought a pound of meat nor a bushel of corn. Last year he and his son, running a two-horse farm, made 1,000 bushels of corn and planted four acres of cotton. This year they will plant their usual corn acreage and four acres in cotton. They also grow clover, peas and grasses. Mr. Secrest did not attend the farmers' institute last year because he thought he knew pretty well how to farm. But he has decided to attend this year and see what the other boys are saying.

Editor Bailey says that when the dogwood blooms the fish begin to bite. The late Jas. G. Covington, who was an ardent fisherman, used to say that when the creek owners began to plow the bottom grounds and were near enough to greet the fisherman with "Git out o' there!" then was the best time. The "Old Man of the Lake," Capt. Barnes, who goes to Lake Waccamaw the first of May and stays till the first of November, says that those months inclusive are the best ones for fishing. Dr. H. Smith says that all the time is the best if you can find good waters. So far this season we have seen only two fishermen who brought back any luck. They were Preacher J. L. Bennett of Wingate, who fished one evening and caught one fish for a sick neighbor, and Capt. W. C. Heath, who came in Saturday from somewhere with a tapering string filled with perch from microscopic proportions to a good sardine size, or what Dr. McGill would term a "devil of a good un."

Trouble's coming down the road at a two-forty pace. There are unmistakable signs that the women of Monroe are about to assert their rights. In the primary for the nomination of town officers last Friday, one lady of the town received two votes for alderman. The women say that if they can find out the patriotic men who cast these two votes they shall be canonized, while the men say that they should be tarred and feathered. These votes have fired the ambition of the gentler side of the community and the talk of woman suffrage is in the air. One of the old bachelors of the town who had trouble in seeing over the Easter hats, says he proposes to get up a petition asking the church authorities to require all the ladies to sit on one side and give the men a chance to see the preacher. What the thing is coming to no one can tell.

"Please say something to stir up the road commissioners to begin macadamizing the roads," said Dr. H. D. Stewart this morning.

"It seems to be settled," said one of the newly nominated aldermen, "that one set of aldermen can stay in but one term."

Ever hear of one farmer borrowing cotton from another to sell?

That has occurred in this county. One farmer, who is in the 100 bale class, has borrowed several lots from others who expected to hold it next fall and put it on the market, agreeing to return bale for bale next fall with a ten percent toll added as rent. The borrower evidently believes that the price will be lower next fall, and is thus practically marketing his fall crop at present prices and paying the toll as interest on the money. This case presents a good problem as to who will be winner and who looser under certain conditions.

Dr. W. H. Wakefield of Charlotte will be in Monroe, at The Gloucester, on Friday, May 19th, for the purpose of treating diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting glasses. The doctor can be seen in his Charlotte office every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, also on Sunday in emergency cases.

**Special Notices.**

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

DON'T keep your money at home and take the risk of its being stolen. Put it in a bank where it is absolutely safe.

The Savings, Loan and Trust Co.

FOR SALE—Seven Black Devil hens and one Black Devil cock, the gamest game on earth. T. L. Crowell.

FOR SALE—A few full blooded Mammoth Black pigs. Some of this breed have weighed 697 pounds net at three years old. H. L. Price.

WANTED—High class, responsible man, of good social position, and possessed of some means as evidence of past success, sobriety and economy. To have full charge of office and handle the correspondence and finances. No attention paid to any applicant for this position unless accompanied by full particulars of responsibilities and past employment. Address Postoffice box 297, Hampton, Virginia.

OPEN a savings account with us. Interest compounded quarterly.

All those holding accounts against Monroe & Stewart are requested to send in itemized statements at once.

AFTER this week we will gin only on Fridays and Saturdays.

FEW genuine Panama hats at a bargain. The People's Dry Goods Company.

OUR Ice House is now open. We will sell ice at half cent a pound, but will not deliver less than ten pounds. J. D. Parker.

PARKER'S Ice House will deliver ten or more pounds of ice at one-half cent a pound.

LOST—Fox Terrier puppy, white with black spot in forehead and short tail. Return to me and be rewarded. Dunham Bundy.

FOR SALE—Two milk cows with calves. I. A. Cloutz.

NOTICE—I wish to call the attention of all who owe me that your accounts are due when service is rendered. Come in at once, and save yourself the trouble of telling your neighbors how badly you have been treated. If you can't pay all or a part in cash, I will accept any reasonable settlement. This is my last call, and a word to the wise is sufficient. Settlement can be made with nurses at my office at any time, when I am not in. Very respectfully, J. P. Monroe.

HENDERSON & SNYDER wants to write your fire insurance.

HIDES WANTED—Bring your mink hides to me and get highest prices. W. E. Richardson, at Crow Bros.

COTTON SEED WANTED—25 car loads. Highest price paid. J. M. Fairley.

SEE Henderson & Snyder for fire insurance on anything you want.

FOR SALE—My improved farm half mile from Wingate, 140 acres. W. E. Hamilton.

WE sell grits 40 pounds for \$1.00 the year round, 10 pounds at the time. Van Camp's Big Hominy 3 cans for 25c. W. A. Stewart & Bro.

**Mysterious Murder at Salisbury.**  
Salisbury Special to Charlotte Observer, 25th.  
Jack Camp, the 13 year old son of Mr. James Camp, was shot and instantly killed at Rice's lumber yard about 10 o'clock last night as he was making the round for his father, who was acting as watchman for the night.

The crime is clad as deeply in mystery tonight as it was 15 minutes after it had occurred. All the theories thus far advanced, have too little of positiveness to warrant any arrest, and it seems almost stubborn optimism to hope for any clue to the perpetrator of the crime. There are two that have a show of plausibility, one of them, tending only to mystify the identity of the murderer, the other possibly being worth something. Some weeks ago a Mr. Earnhardt was guarding the lumber yard of Mr. C. A. Rice. About that time some one stole some chickens from Mr. Earnhardt and was shot as he ran. Among the officers, there are some who believe that the wounded man has been waiting for an opportunity to even up matters and shot the boy by mistake. This is not a good theory. The boy carried a lantern. When he fell in his tracks, the lantern was extinguished and was standing up as if it had been placed. Another and apparently a better theory is that some one who had contemplated robbery of the warehouse and as the boy raised the lantern, he was shot by the robber who did it thinking the boy was armed before looking at him well. The little fellow was the victim of faithfulness. His father is Mr. Rice's driver and recently took Mr. Earnhardt's place temporarily. The double duty was very hard on

him and he asked his boy to watch for him while he rested. Young Jack had almost completed his watch, inserting his key where it was customary, and had just one more key to place.

It was about 10:15 that young Camp was asleep but the report of the pistol awakened him. Upon going out he saw his son lying in a pool of blood. The bullet entered the right eye, in which he was already blind, and death was instantaneous. Just after the murder bloodhounds were put upon the trail of the murderer, but did nothing. They were as much at sea as the coroner has been today, and nothing can possibly lessen the mystery as the matter now stands.

My entire line of crockery, both white and decorated, to be sold at actual cost. My reason for selling at cost, I am going to cut out the crockery line. M. C. Broom.

Nice barrel of home-made pickles put up by Mr. H. D. Browning. Something fine. Duster Grocery Co.

If you want to buy molasses by the quart, gallon or barrel, see me. I have it from 10c to 50c a gallon. M. C. Broom.

Eggs, chickens and all kinds of country produce wanted. Highest prices. Duster Grocery Co.

Two hundred gallons of that nice Georgia cane syrup, the best in town, at 40c per gallon. M. C. Broom.

I have another barrel of those mackerels that I am going to sell at 5 cents each; others are charging you 10 to 12 1/2 cents each for the same fish. M. C. Broom.

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

**ADVANCE STYLES**  
in Ladies' Neck-wear. A New  
Lot just opened and ready  
for your inspection.

The new fashionable pointed  
Lace Collars, Chemisettes to wear  
with Surplice Lace, and the more  
substantial styles for wear with  
shirt-waist suits, trim over collars  
and cuffs to match. Quite an attractive display ranging in price  
from 5c. to \$2.50.

**Lee & Lee.**

**We Are Prepared**

to show you this week one of the most complete line of Dress Goods of all prices and patterns; ladies' misses' and boys' Shoes and Oxfords from 25c. to \$6.00; Hats of all the latest styles, straw and felt, 25c. to \$5. A few Panamas to close at \$5.

Never, Never, Never,

buy a suit of clothes of any kind—boys' youths' or mans'—without looking through our tremendous stock. Some bargains that you can't afford to miss. If in need of a two-piece or medium weight suit be sure to see us.

**Men's and Ladies' Oxfords**  
Tans, White Canvas, Vici Kids, Pat. Leathers, Spring Heels, Cuban Heels, Bluchers, Bals, and in fact, anything you want in Oxfords from 60c. to \$5.00.  
The young men or old, whichever you may be, can't afford to think they are dressed well without a pair of our Edwin Clapp oxfords or shoes.  
Ladies' and men's Underwear of all styles, short and long sleeves, all prices.

A tremendous stock of Underwear that must be sold. Great values.  
Light weight Work Pants, 50c. to \$1.50.  
Light weight Overalls and Suits, 25c. to \$2.50.  
Just arrived big lot of Overalls without aprons, very thing to work in, 50c., 75c., and \$1.00.

**The People's Dry Goods Co.**

**A New Addition to Our Fast Growing Laundry Business**

We will have at once a first-class man to take charge of our **Cleaning and Pressing Department**, which we intend making a success, and that will depend entirely on

**YOU**

All work guaranteed to be first-class at reasonable prices.  
Club rates can be obtained on application.

We clean and press gentlemen's suits, ladies' skirts, overcoats and kid gloves. We also dye any garment.

**Laundry Work.**

Our work at first was not what we intended, but taking in consideration our machinery being all new and our help inexperienced, we did remarkably well. And now, having our machinery all trained and all help thoroughly experienced, we will guarantee you first-class work, especially in the collar, cuff and shirt departments, and this we will make a specialty.

**Monroe Steam Laundry Co.**  
Phone 149.

**The Busy Store**

Is not made by chance. The irresistible bargains distributed daily amongst its many satisfied patrons have done it. If you are not already one of them, you can do no better than to visit this store and investigate. Instead of the regular prices on the Shannon & Co. stock, we cut from centre to circumference. **Such values as these may never cross your path again!**

\$ 6.50 Men's Suits at \$3.90	3.50 Men's Shoes at 2.50	\$1.00 Men's Shirts at 50c.
7.50 Men's Suits at 5.00	1.00 Ladies' Shoes at 75c.	50c. Men's Shirts at 35c.
10.00 Men's Suits at 7.50	1.25 Ladies' Shoes at 1.00	Big Sale of Wash Dress Goods, 20c. values at 10c. per yard.
1.50 Men's Pants at 1.00	2.00 Ladies' Shoes at 1.50	A Bargain Wonder in Ladies' Hose at 5c., often sold at 10c.
2.25 Men's Pants at 1.50	3.00 Ladies' Patent Leather Shoes now \$2.00	
3.25 Men's Pants at 2.50	Bargain Counter of Ladies' Shoes, values up to \$2.00, at 75c.	
1.25 Men's Shoes at 1.00		
2.00 Men's Shoes at 1.50		

We cannot begin to enumerate all the good things, but they are here for all, piled high upon the counters. We don't mind selling goods cheap. **New bargains springing up every day. Mr. Pay does not have to pay Mr. No Pay's bills at this store. One price to all and for the cash only.**

**The Cash Mercantile Co.**  
The Low Price Makers. (Successors to Shannon & Co.)