

Davie Times.

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MOCKSVILLE, N. C.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15, 1881.

Court next Monday.

A cool wave struck us last Tuesday.

Samuel J. Tilden is said to be worth about 15,000,000.

Prince Frederick, uncle of the King of Netherland, is dead.

"After man came women," and she has been after him ever since.

A wagon load of new Tobacco was sold in Hickory, one day last week.

Don't forget to call on us when you come to court and settle with the printers.

Soon be time for 'possum and sweet potatoes. Gollie! how it makes our mouth water.

The upper portion of the county was blessed with rain Sunday, and Monday night.

Many of our farmers are cutting their corn for feed as it will not yield enough to pay for gathering.

Railroad matters occupy the space of most of the newspapers and afford arguments for the clerks of Street-walker, Dolittle & co.

There is no limit to human courage. With the thermometer tearing through the nineties men and women still stand up and get married.

A dispatch says the village of Rechenback, in Bernese Oberland, has been almost destroyed by a fall of stone.

Water is sold for 25 cents a barrel at Frackville, Schuykill county, Pa. The prolonged drought has dried up the wells and streams.

A telegram from Deadwood, D. T., states that there was a heavy snow storm in the Black Hills on Monday night and Tuesday morning.

Read the advertisement of Wittkowsky & Baruch's of Charlotte, they address country merchants and the public generally, through our columns this week.

"Thank God, it is good to be here," said Mr. Garfield, as they laid him down in the Elberon cottage and he looked out on the wide, open sea; "oh, I like to look at the sea."

Peachy R. Grattan, an eminent lawyer and author of Grattan's reports, died at Ashland, Va., last Thursday aged 80. During forty years he held the position of law reporter of the Supreme Court of Appeals.

Wilmington was visited by two hurricanes on last Friday morning. The first about 10 o'clock, followed shortly by another, accompanied by a drenching rain. The wind blew at the rate of fifty miles an hour sweeping away fences, trees, unroofing houses and damaging property to the amount of \$50,000, besides injuring many persons.

Breaks at the Cash Tobacco Warehouse at Statesville were unusually large during last week. Prices were good and the figures will show favorably with any market in the State. The average on the entire sales of one day were 21 1/2. Statesville is making rapid progress toward a tobacco market that will rank second to none.

A Young North Carolinian.

Many of our readers will be pleased to learn of the success of one who was well known to them in days gone by as a school-mate and a son of one of Mocksville's best and beloved tutors. The following paragraph concerning whom is taken from the Statesville LANDMARK.

Judge John Clegg, of Louisiana, was in Statesville yesterday. He is a native of Iredell county, a son of Mr. Baxter Clegg, who for so many years taught school at Olin, and a first cousin of County Treasurer G. W. Clegg. He is probably the youngest circuit Judge in the country. He is now 29 years of age and went on the bench two years ago. Judge Clegg has been spending the summer in the mountains of this State. He left for home on this morning's train and will open his courts Monday.

Another Runaway.

On last Friday evening as Mr. John I. Woodruff and wife was returning home from town driving a young mule they met with an accident which came near being fatal. When they started down the hill at Elisha's creek the mule began to move off pretty lively, as he knew nothing about holding back, when Mr. Woodruff tried to hold him he began to kick and ran, and by the time he reached the foot of the hill he was uncontrollable. Mrs. W was thrown full length in the middle of the creek upon her back and bruised considerably, while Mr. W was thrown out upon a pile of rocks against the bank and receives painful bruises from head to foot with several ugly gashes. We are pleased to state the injuries sustained are not serious.

Personals.

Miss Emma Meroney of Orangeburg, S. C., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Rose.

Misses Lizzie and Julia Clement have returned from the Catawba Springs.

Mr. Eugene Johnson and wife of Farmington spent Saturday and Sunday in town the guest of Miss Mary Parker.

Frank Martin of Winston is in town.

Rev. J. A. Willson filled the pulpit of the Methodist church Sunday morning and evening.

The many friends of Rev. T. A. Coon will regret to learn that his health has not improved since he left us, and that he is expected home in a few days.

Services in the Baptist Church Sunday.

Who Was It.

Last May a man riding a horse and carrying a basket in his hand, stopped at a house and asked for a drink of water, and when it was handed to him, he asked the old lady to hold the basket, and when through drinking, told her she might have the basket and rode off. Upon opening it she found it to contain a babe, a note and ten dollars, also two changes of cloths. The note read:

"If this babe lives one month write to 'L. L. D.' Mocksville, N. C., and I will furnish money for its support. Of course these are not my initials nor do I live at Mocksville, but I will have some one there to furnish you the money."

We published the facts of the above at the time, and as L. L. D. has not been heard from, the gentleman who took the babe from the old lady because he did not want it to sent to the poor house, has written a letter to the Post Mistress at this place enquiring after the man, with a request that we notice it.

Mr. W. F. Campbell, who writes from Jewel P. O., Stokes county, says the "babe is a fine looking girl nearly four months old, and has never been sick since he has had it." If any one knows who this Living Lying Devil is and will give any information on the subject, they will confer a favor upon both the gentleman and the child. It may be possible that "L. L. D." is not a resident of Davie county, but took this plan to dodge these people and shield the parents from dishonor. Let this be as it may, some one has committed a sin that cannot be hidden from God, and if they escape the scorn of man and punishment of the court, they will receive their just retribution at a high tribunal for the double sin thus committed.

A Horrible Murder sifted.

About the middle of last June, Mr. James Thompson, of Sharp township, in Alexander county, a worthy farmer returned to the house about dusk from the field where he had been at work, and found his daughter lying on her face in front of the kitchen door. Upon first seeing her, he imagined she was sleep and stooped to arouse her. She was dead, and the father's hands were stained with her blood as he withdrew them from the still warm body. Her skull had been crushed in, in two places with an axe which was found near by. The house had been rifled and valuable goods and cash to the amount of \$500 were gone. The account of this horrible deed was published at the time but since then there has been nothing connected with the crime until recently when the mystery was unearthed. A correspondent from Statesville to the Charlotte Observer writes as follows:

"They have got to the bottom of the Alexander county murder at last. A woman stepped up a day or so ago and told what she knew about it. One Adams a neighbor of Thompson's knew all about the money and where it was kept. He posted two men named Church and Dockery. They did the work and divided with Adams. Dockery, who is now in jail, when he heard that the woman had told her tale, told what he knew. He says he and Church went at the time Adams told them to go, got the money and went off, but went back to see if they could find any more. Miss Thompson said to Church, 'I know you, you staid here about a week ago. Church then picked up an axe and killed her. Adams is now in jail.'"

Davie Educational Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the Davie Educational Association was held in the court house on Saturday, the 10th inst. President B. F. Lunn in the chair. Several new members were added to the association.

The Rev. D. A. Woodson who was to have delivered the lecture being absent attending the Baptist Association, Prof. Sterling addressed the association on the importance of sustaining heartily the Public Schools, as the hope educationally of North Carolina. If the masses of our people are to be educated, they must be educated by the State, or remain in ignorance. The attention paid to the unprepared remarks of the lecturer, showed plainly the interest that has been aroused in the public mind on this all important subject.

The essay of Dr. Geo. M. Bingham on "The duty of the State to educate her people," was full of rich thought and valuable suggestions expressed in his usual happy style.

The discussion of "The best incentives to study" was opened by W. K. Gibbs Esqr., and continued by T. B. Bailey Esqr. and Prof. Sterling and Rominger; and many valuable suggestions made on the proper training of the youthful mind and heart.

Fork Church was chosen as the place of next meeting. W. F. Merrell was appointed to read an essay on "The influence of education on the individual and national character."

"The necessity of religious or moral instruction in schools" was selected as the topic of discussion, and Rev. D. A. Woodson and Hon. J. A. Williamson were appointed to open the same. A MEMBER.

Can't Pay.

The farmers in the southern part of Mecklenburg, and Lancaster county S. C., and some in other parts of this State has held mass meeting to determine the percentage of the damage done to crops, with a view of petitioning guano manufacturers to reduce the claims held by them for guano used in making the present crops, to one half, as they find they will not be able to pay the whole amount, many of the farmers in the upper part of South Carolina are not going to pick out their cotton as it will not pay the mortgage on it for guano and have notified the companies to come and look after their interest.

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.

The Davie County Teacher's Institute will commence on Monday the 19th inst. and continue two weeks. The Rev. J. H. Crawford will aid me in the Colored Department. The hour of meeting on Monday will be 10 o'clock. The teachers will provide themselves with blank book and pencils to take copious notes. All teachers are invited.

R. STERLING, Co Supt.

DETROIT, Sept. 10.—Rains have fallen in probably sufficient quantities to quench the fires but not enough to soak the ground and revive drooping vegetation. The lowest estimates indicate 215 families were burned out in the towns of Marlette and Flynn, Angyle, Evergreen, Moore, Lackcotte and Sanilac county, and 32 persons are known to be dead. Men who traveled through the burned district yesterday report that the fires are mostly out and the inhabitants are sitting about the ashes of their houses, many burned and otherwise injured. They are disconsolate and almost bereft of their senses. Provisions, clothing, bedding and other necessities are being constantly forwarded and men are traveling through the burned sections distributing supplies and taking the names of those in need.

Many persons are still missing in the burned district and the exact loss cannot be known for some days. Sixty-five burials are reported in the six towns and it is said that 27 of the dead have been found in the county between Bad Axe and Port Hope.

Trains are now running regularly to Sand Beach and Marlette.

An Attempt to Kill Guiteau.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—At 7 o'clock last evening an attempt was made to kill Guiteau in his cell. At that hour Battery B, second artillery, was relieving Capt. Graves's command which had been on duty at the jail the previous 24 hours. The battery arrived in three wagons, in the first of which, seated First Sergeant Mason. As the wagon drew up in front of the jail, Mason jumped out, threw his cap aside, and with musket on shoulder, proceeded to the right wing of the jail. A few seconds brought him abreast of the window through which Guiteau has been often seen. Putting his gun to his shoulder, the clear report which rang through the jail told the story of his intention and act. The ball grazed Guiteau's head and penetrated his coat which was hanging on the side of the cell. Sergeant Mason surrendered himself to his commanding officers, Capt. McGilvary, who immediately put him under arrest.

Merchants, HALT! READ! PONDER!!

The drought so universally prevailing, both in North Carolina and the upper portion of South Carolina are themes for your most serious consideration, when making this Fall's purchases.

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