

LOCAL NEWS.

See new advertisement of John L. Martin—hickory logs wanted at once. Mr. Lucius Walls has just completed a neat cottage on his lot near the jail. There is every inducement here for a wagon factory. Who will start one? The McDowell Bugle says Mr. George Chapman, an aged and respected citizen of that county, died last week. At the Glen Alpine debating society to-night (Friday) the question for discussion will be: "Tariffs vs. Free Trade." Why is not the telephone wire from up town to the depot used? It would be a great convenience to business men. Our colored brethren of the A. M. E. Church re-covered their church this week, and are also erecting a steeple on the same. Mr. J. E. Hood left here last Tuesday with a squad of hands for the Southern & Western Air Line Road, to join Mr. J. A. Lackey's force, near Fallston. The cigar factory carried on by W. A. Wortman & Bro., of this place, is turning out some fine cigars. "We know he is good, for he smokes him all de time." The next subject for discussion before the Gilboa, debating society will be: "Which has done the most good for the country, the printing press or the steam engine?" Farmers tell us that the mud in McDowell lane is almost impassable. Can't something be done to remedy this? How are people going to get to court without "cooning" the fence. The town authorities are having a plank walk put down on Lenoir street, from the sash and blind factory to the corporate limits, which will be a great convenience in muddy weather to citizens living on that street. Mr. H. F. Kestler was riding a young horse to overtake a loose horse, this week, when the one he was riding made a sudden turn, throwing him off and bruising his thigh, which caused much suffering at the time; but he is now better. We are receiving letters from our friends all round that they are pleased with THE STAR, and they are certainly highly appreciated by us. But, friends, pray don't forget to send a little grease along to keep the old wagon's axles from heating in the box. The Raleigh News-Observer says: The Governor has authorized Judge Merrimon to hold Henderson and Burke Superior Courts instead of Judge Gilmer, and Judge Gilmer to hold Chatham, Guilford and Alamance courts instead of Judge Merrimon, the two Judges having agreed to exchange. Whisenhunt is nearer correct than Blum. Our recollection is that Blum's almanac states that there would be no snows this winter. A part of them have fallen and the season is not out yet. Hurrah for Whisenhunt! Rev. R. S. Abernethy, pastor of the Morganton circuit, has arranged with Rev. J. N. Payne to receive and receipt for all produce left at his store as payment on pastor's salary. The brethren are requested to bring in their produce at earliest convenience, as it is probable they are more needed now than will be later. Government Distillery Seized. Revenue officers McDonald and Perry found some irregularities going on at the bonded distillery of J. B. England & Co., about 4 miles from town, and last Monday they seized the distillery, with all the fixtures and 175 gallons of whiskey. Storekeeper D. F. Denon and all the distillery firm were held in a bond of three hundred dollars each for their appearance before Commissioner McKesson next Tuesday, when the matter will undergo preliminary investigation. Fresh Groceries at Dickson, Tate & Wilson's.

Storekeepers and Gaugers. The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed Aaron A. Wiseman to be storekeeper and gauger at Elsie, Mitchell county, N. C., and Thos. H. Parke, to be storekeeper and gauger in the 4th district of North Carolina. Licensed to Practice Law. The Supreme Court Tuesday of last week, licensed 30 applicants to practice law. Among the number were M. L. Mott of Iredell, R. B. Burke of Alexander, L. J. Williams and R. H. Starbuck of Forsyth, J. C. Martin of Wilkes, L. A. Haney of McDowell, E. B. Cline and A. P. Lynch of Catawba, T. E. Latham of Ashe, J. G. Merriam of Buncombe and T. G. Anderson of Burke. "Will Pay You Sometime Along." We are frequently approached with language like the following: "Mr. Cobb, you are sending out a good paper, and I believe you may send it to me 12 months and I will pay you sometime along." We contend that we are giving more reading matter for one dollar than any paper in the State, and we can't send it to subscribers 1, 2 and sometimes 3 years and take the pay "sometime along." Our terms are cash or its equivalent in advance, and we hope our subscribers will so understand this in the future. Thought His Guide Was a Colored Sexton. Last Saturday, week, a blind man came to our place, claiming to be a worker in the Temperance cause, also in the Y. M. C. A. Sunday morning a friend took him to the Methodist Sunday school and requested that the sexton take charge of him when he wanted to return. When he was ready, some one offered his arm. The blind man supposing it was the colored sexton, started a conversation on Africa; said he could speak the original language; and to his surprise he was told that his guide was a young man who boasted of his Caucasian blood. Talk of Consolidating. We learn that negotiations are going on between Prof. J. A. Gilmer, principle of Morganton High School, and Rev. E. L. Patton, late principal of Amherst Academy and now teaching at Glen Alpine Station, to form a co-partnership and consolidate their schools and establish a first-class institution of learning at Morganton. We trust this arrangement can be effected; for we know of no better location for a large school than at Morganton—good climate, good society, good morals, no bar-rooms nor other places to lead young men astray—and with the combined influence and qualifications of Profs. Gilmer and Patton, we believe a flourishing school can be conducted at Morganton, and our people both in town and the country would hail this consolidation with pleasure and give the school their hearty support. How to Build up Morganton. Let us apply the following good rules to Morganton. They are taken from the Ripon (Wis.) Commonwealth: Talk about it. Write about it. Speak well of it. Help to improve it. Beautify the streets. Patronize its merchants. Advertise in its newspaper. Speak well of its enterprising, public-spirited citizens. If you are rich invest in something; employ somebody; be a rustler. If you don't think of any good word to say, don't say anything bad about it. Remember that every dollar you invest in a permanent improvement is that much on interest. Be courteous to strangers that come among you, so that they may go away with a good impression. Always cheer up the men that go in for improvements. Your portion of the cost will be only what is just. Don't kick about any necessary public improvement because it is not at your own door, or for fear that your taxes would be raised 15 cents.

Personal. Mr. Zeb Martin has been very ill during the past week. Mrs. W. C. Ervin, of Lenoir, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sheetz. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shuping are now boarding at Capt. L. A. Kristof's. We are glad to note that Mrs. E. F. Reid is recovering from her recent illness. Mrs. R. T. Claywell is visiting the family of her father, Dr. J. C. Newland, in Lenoir. We are sorry to learn that Mr. P. T. Peeler is confined to his room with sickness. We are glad to note that Miss Carrie Estes, who has been very sick for the past few weeks, is now much better. We are glad to know that Mr. John Edmonson has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be out again. Mr. A. J. Dula, chairman of the board of commissioners of McDowell county, was in town this week on business. Mr. Clower, of Shelby, one of the surveyors on the Southern & Western Air Line R. R., spent a day in town this week. Mr. Lawson Franklin, of Trout, Mitchell county, spent a few days with his brothers, Sid and Deb Franklin, of this county, last week. Messrs. Julius Van-e, J. W. Carpenter and J. W. Morgan, of Mitchell, and L. W. Pearcey of Piedmont Springs, made us a pleasant call Tuesday. Mr. B. G. Pearson told a few of his quaint jokes and got off some of his puns in town the first of the week and the boys are laughing over them yet. Dr. J. R. Anderson received a telegram yesterday stating that his father, Rev. R. B. Anderson, was sick at Columbia, S. C., and asking him to come at once. Mr. J. A. Perry speaks of locating in Morganton again. This is but carrying out the old adage: If a man once lives in Morganton he is never satisfied to live anywhere else. Mr. H. H. Crowson, editor of the Hickory Clipper, was in town this week looking after the last will and testament of the old Blade press and fixtures with a view of utilizing them in the Clipper office at Hickory. Uncle Bartlett Sisk, the "great bear adventurer," was in town last Saturday, and seemed to have a fresh supply of jokes on hand; and as he moved from one store to another the crowd that followed him reminded us of the throng following Robinson's street parade, previous to the circus exposition. The Lenoir Topic says: Mr. W. H. Bower, the able and popular solicitor in this judicial district, returned home last week from a pleasant trip to California. The papers made merry over Mr. Bower's trip, accusing him of going off to get married. He returns a bachelor. Mr. Bower left Sunday for Hendersonville, where court is in session this week. Religious Intelligence. Rev. T. P. Bonner held services at the Methodist church last Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; also at the Western Asylum at 4 P. M. Prof. J. A. Gilmer conducted lay reading at the Presbyterian church at 11 A. M. At the Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening prayer meeting, a young men's bible class was formed, to meet every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Messrs. J. G. Bynum and G. P. Erwin were appointed leaders. The five first chapters of the Prophecy of Daniel were selected for the first evening's lesson. Rev. Mr. Gardner will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and night. Weather Report. Feb. 7 a. m. 12 m. 6 p. m. 10 40 42 52 11 38 50 52 12 35 43 33 13 38 56 52 14 40 58 65 15 50 64 55 16 38 50 47 Dickson, Tate & Wilson, leading grocers.

Mr. Pearson in Statesville. Reported for The Morganton Star. In continuing my reports, I will not attempt any synopsis of his sermons; I might come out like a reporter in an adjoining state, who got the heads of one sermon tacked on to the text of another, and made a mess of it. I prefer to give you some idea of his style of preaching and methods of working. He is a very solemn preacher at times; but I have heard what you would call an exciting sermon. He appeals more to reason and common sense than to mere feelings. This morning, in the bible reading to mothers, there was more demonstration of feeling than I have seen in the ten days' services. I saw grey-headed women and young mothers pressing up to him to-day and thanking him for his teaching, and many of the older ones said: "Oh, if I could only hear that sermon years ago." He was unsparing in his denunciations of all modern ideas of marriage and motherhood; and he does not spare professing christians who indulge in worldly amusements. He heard of someone saying he was extreme on these subjects. His reply was: "That depends upon where you start to measure from. I start with both feet square upon the word of God; measuring from that point I am not the extremist." I will give you one of his illustrations on this subject, given at a reading upon the crucifixion of believers with Christ on the cross, and that they must be dead to the world. He wanted to prove to them whether they were dead or not. He pictured a man lying dead on the platform, so vividly we felt as if the man were lying before us. Then around the platform he placed all the ailments of the world—a gamblers' den here, and a dance "Now said he," when the glasses begin to clink, if I see him stretch out his hand, he is not dead. If the violin begins and he moves his feet, he is not dead. When the gambling commences, if both hands go out, he is not dead." It was a very real picture and every christian saw the force of that illustration. He uses these illustrations in every sermon, taken from everything in the universe, it seems to me, and they enforce the truths he preaches most powerfully. He uses them in conversation constantly. He was urging a lady friend to go as a wisher to the after meetings, and she excused on the ground that she did not know the people. Said he: "If you meet a man and he asks you the way to the post office, do you wait to be introduced before you can answer him." That lady went to the next after meeting. His bible readings are delightful. When he comes in he always says: "We are all here together, God's people to study His word." Then he announces the subject, gives a number of texts as a head for each discourse. Then he calls them out, someone finds the place, and when he needs that text the person who has taken it reads it aloud, and he comments upon it. On his reading upon forgiveness, he had the whole congregation read a verse alternately with him, part Matt.: 18. That reading had wonderful practical results in some places, and don't know how it was done. Another sermon did produce quite a practical effect. It was one in which restitution was one of the heads of his discourse. I have heard that one man paid a debt at the door of the building, and the merchants said their bills were paid up very rapidly in the next day or two. On Sunday we had the most solemn sermon I ever heard on the Holy Ghost. Monday night one on excuses. He gave twelve that men made, but the two most forcibly illustrated were: "Not coming to Christ because of hypocrites in the church," and "The difficulty presented by the number of denominations." I will not try to give his illustrations, because they lose so much of their force when one attempts to write them up. The after meetings have been crowded for two nights and there have been considerably over one hundred conversions. The building is crowded day and night; from two thousand to twenty-five hundred all this week. It is court week and there are people here from all parts of the country. A delegation from Hickory came to see him this morning; but I think he has engagements up to January, 1889. I do earnestly hope that our people can get him in July; but he cannot promise certainly, for that is a part of his summer vacation. I wish we could have a delegation from Burke to come down and see him. He will probably close here on Friday, and after a rest in Raleigh goes to New Bern, and then to Wilmington. C. A. M. Mayor Avery for Our Next Representative. Correspondence of The Morganton Star. I have been thinking who would be the most suitable man to represent Burke in the next legislature and have come to the conclusion that our young and excellent Mayor, Mr. L. T. Avery, is the man. The only objection that can be assigned is that he is a lawyer. But I think he would go for the good of his county and State. He is a live, progressive young man, in favor of all internal improvements and has the brains and gifts to present his constituents' claims in a manner to be heard. Hope your readers will think over this matter, and if the suggestion strikes them favorable, act accordingly. A voter, E. F. WALKER. Choice Western Clover and Orchard Grass Seed for sale at the Cash Warehouse. Call at once. Diamond Dyes, all colors, at Wm. H. Pearson & Co's. Goods exchanged for barter at W. R. Marbut's, near the Asylum. I. T. Avery, attorney at law at Morganton, N. C., desires to give notice to all persons indebted to Dr. J. C. Whiteside that his accounts are now in his hands for collection, and he would be glad if parties would come forward and settle at an early day.

SHELBY EXCITED OVER AN ELOPEMENT. A Murder Supposed to be Involved in the Matter. Telegram to the Charlotte Chronicle. SHELBY, N. C., Feb. 13.—The county is greatly excited over an elopement of J. P. Styers, ex-preacher, and Mrs. S. J. Beam, both of whom were convicted last court of adultery, the woman being sentenced to jail for three months and Styers for six months and fined \$200. Pending the appeal to the Supreme court, Styers was released on a \$500 bond. The direct cause of the elopement was the charges by interested parties who suspected something wrong, that Andrew Beam, husband of the woman, had been poisoned, although Beam has been dead nearly two years. His body was exhumed Thursday, and several witnesses examined by the coroner. This frightened the guilty pair who, on Friday, took the Air Line train at Gastonia for the north. Yesterday another inquest was held over Beam's body, and many witnesses examined. The stomach, and the intestines were taken out and will be sent to Raleigh for examination to-morrow. The last jury rendered a verdict accusing Mrs. Beam and Styers of the murder of Beam. Prior to the latter's death, Styers and Beam ran a store about seven miles from here, and after Beam's death business was continued by Styers and the widow. Styers is about forty-five years of age and leaves a wife and ten children. Mrs. Beam is a handsome woman and about thirty-five years of age, but leaves no family. She was Beam's second wife. No news of the runaway pair since seen at Gastonia. North Cove Items. Correspondence of The Morganton Star. ASHFORD, N. C., Feb. 10, 1888.—Please allow me space in your paper for a few items from North Cove. North Cove is on a boom at present. Mr. W. B. McCall, late of Gibbs, N. C., has purchased a stock of goods, which he has put up on his farm. Mr. Henry Brinkley, of Glen Alpine, and Mr. R. J. Lonon, of North Cove, both have good stocks. So the Cove has 3 stores in 3 to 3 1/2 miles of each other. Mr. Jas. H. Brown, of this place, has purchased a farm in the upper end of the Cove, on which he is building a dwelling-house, and will move to the same soon. Mr. H. A. DeVault will move to the place of Mr. Samuel Brown; and many others are buying land and making a start to build. Mrs. Joe Brown has been very sick with pneumonia; but she is hoped to be improving now. The farmers are beginning to think about preparing for a crop. Rev. L. D. Gillespie is the circuit-rider of the Cove and I think the people are all well pleased with him. What has become of your Glen Alpine correspondent? I want to hear from him, as that is my native home. I will close this letter by saying you may expect to hear from me again soon, with a number of subscribers. May success follow THE STAR of Morganton. Yours respectfully, J. M. BRINKLEY. Tabernacle Meeting. News-Observer. The Tabernacle meeting at Rutherford College this year is to be more than usually interesting. The number of tents will be greatly enlarged, and with the large, new Tabernacle building the accommodations will be far superior to anything heretofore. Four summers have witnessed large meetings at that place. It is designed to make this a place of popular resort for religious and literary services after the style of Monteagle in Tennessee or Ocean Grove in New Jersey. Early Rose and Peerless Potatoes, Clover and Orchard Grass Seed at Wm. H. Pearson & Co. DO NOT ALLOW WORMS TO cheat your children out of their living. Shriner's Indian Vermifuge will destroy these miserable pests, and give the little fellows new armors for the battle of life. The advantages of a reliable, safe and efficacious Family Medicine, is incalculable and when such is found, the blessing is thus happily expressed. I exclaimed, "Eureka." I have been using Simmons Liver Regulator myself some five years or more, and my family also, and can testify from experience to its virtues. I never recommend a medicine unless I know it to be good. In a ministry of twenty-five years I have often felt the need of such a medicine and when I found it I exclaimed, "Eureka."—Rev. J. P. HARPER, Proprietor of the "Christian Visitor," Smithfield, N. C. Wanted at Once. GOOD White Hickory Logs, 20 in. in diameter and up, 12, 14 and 16 feet long. Leave the bark on and haul to depot right away. Will pay \$8.00 per 1000 feet for them. JOHN L. MARTIN, Treas.

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