

# The Burke County News.

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## COLLISION.

MRS. LIZZIE FRANKS, OF MORGANTON, HURT.

A Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta passenger train collided with a freight train at Chester, S. C., Tuesday. Mrs. Lizzie Franks, of Morganton, was a passenger and was the only one hurt, although all the passengers were shaken up badly. Mrs. Franks was going to Chester to visit at Judge Gage's and was standing at the door of the coach, ready to get out when the train stopped. She was thrown forward on the platform, and was painfully hurt.

It is stated that the passenger engine struck the rear car of the freight train with such force that it took two hours and a half to pull them apart.

Mr. J. T. Perkins, Mrs. Franks' son-in-law, left yesterday evening for Chester to see after the injured lady.

PRIVATE DUCKWORTH STABS PRIVATE JAMES.

A dispatch of the 6th from Havana says:

"During a general fight on Saturday night, among the men of Company E, First North Carolina Regiment, Private Frank James, of Statesville, N. C., was badly cut with a knife and stabbed in the back with a bayonet. Private Duckworth has been confined in the regimental guard-house, charged with the stabbing. James will recover."

Private Duckworth is a son of R. R. Duckworth of this county, and was here on a furlough about a month ago.

THE LEGISLATURE ADJOURNS.

The Legislature adjourned Wednesday to meet again on Tuesday after the second Monday in June, 1900.

The total number of bills introduced were 2071. The number of acts ratified is about 1250. The last bill ratified was the anti-trust bill.

It is stated that just before adjournment the Senate indulged in musical exercises, led by Lieutenant-Governor Reynolds, and that the songs ran all the way from "God be with you till we meet again" to "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night."

WANTED.—Good Beef Cattle, Veal Calves and Fat Sheep. Apply to G. W. Jones & Co., next door to postoffice, Morganton, N. C.

## LOCAL SQUIBS.

Mr. J. G. Hall, the hustling insurance agent, is in town.

Mrs. Horace Payne returned a few days ago from a visit to her parents at Salisbury.

Mr. H. S. Pinkston, publisher of the Mitchell Mirror, is spending a few days with his family here.

Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. J. G. Neal, of Marion, visited their daughter Mrs. S. H. Yancey in Morganton this week.

Lazarus Bros. invite all to attend their spring and summer opening, next Wednesday and Thursday. Read their invitation on last page.

Stock law elections were held for a part of Silver Creek township and for a part of Lower Creek township on the 14th of February. On Monday the county commissioners declared both elections carried for stock law.

Amos Lail and Caroline Stamey were married by Rev. J. N. Payne in the latter's store on Green street last Saturday. This is the second couple that have been married by Mr. Payne in his store within the past three weeks.

By an act of the last Legislature Morganton's commissioners will hereafter receive \$2.00 for each of twelve meetings a year, the pay to be forfeited and also a fine of one dollar in addition to be imposed for non attendance.

At the meeting of the town commissioners Tuesday night an election for Mayor and two commissioners was ordered for the first Monday in May. W. A. Ross was appointed registrar and M. P. Hilderbrand and E. B. Clawell judges to hold said election.

A petition for an iron bridge across the Catawba river at Bridgewater was circulated in Morganton Monday and was numerously signed. It was afterwards presented to the county commissioners, but no action has yet been taken by them in the matter.

Judge Stephens of the Western Criminal court has appointed Isaac T. Avery to be solicitor of the Burke county court, and G. Ellis Gardner to be solicitor of the Yancey county court. Charles A. Webb is the newly-appointed solicitor of the Buncombe court. George G. Eaves is to be solicitor of the McDowell court, and W. C. Newland of the Caldwell court.

DEATH OF MRS. P. W. ZIEGLER.

Mrs. P. W. Ziegler, of Philadelphia, who had been in Morganton about three weeks, died at Dr. Tull's Tuesday morning of typhoid fever, contracted in Delaware, Ohio, where she had been nursing a daughter with the same disease. She took her bed in a few days after arriving in Morganton. Her husband was with her part of the time, but on last Saturday he returned to Philadelphia, Mrs. Ziegler being considered entirely out of danger.

The remains were taken to Philadelphia, accompanied by deceased's daughter, who was with her mother when she died. The interment will take place to-morrow at 2 p. m., in Philadelphia.

Mr. Ziegler is a member of the firm of P. W. Ziegler & Co., Philadelphia publishers.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The next annual State Sunday School convention is called to meet on the 14th to 16th of March, 1899, in the First Presbyterian church at Salisbury. The citizens of Salisbury are making special arrangements to take care of a very large delegation of visitors. All delegates contemplating being present are requested to send their names at once to T. R. Garner, chairman of the reception committee, so that homes may be the more readily provided. W. L. Klutz is chairman and A. L. Smoot secretary of the committee on invitation.

MEETING CALLED BY JUDGE STEVENS.

Judge Stevens has called a meeting to be held in Morganton Wednesday, March 22, for the purpose of fixing the regular terms of court for the various counties of the district. All attorneys and interested citizens of these counties are requested to attend the meeting, as on that day the calendar for the entire district will be settled upon. The meeting is called for the purpose of consulting the wishes of the people of the different counties, and Judge Stevens selected Morganton as a central point.

Mr. R. Williams has been appointed U. S. Commissioner to succeed Mr. C. F. McKesson, who has procured a position in Washington. Mr. Williams received his commission yesterday.

Representative Hoffman returned from Raleigh on Sunday.

The bill transferring Mitchell county to the Eighth district became a law.

75 cts for THE NEWS 12 months.

## A RARE CHANCE.

J. ROBERT JORDAN AT COURT HOUSE TO-NIGHT.

There is a rare treat in store for those who will go to hear J. Robert Jordan impersonate and recite selections from Shakespeare and modern humorists at the court house to-night. Mr. D. F. Summey, Jr., of Charlotte, who is well and favorably known in Morganton, says of Mr. Jordan: "As to his ability as a reader and reciter, I can only say that he is the best I have ever heard." His coming to Morganton might truthfully be called an accident, as generally he only appears in the larger cities. We predict that there will be a good turnout and that the audience will be highly amused and entertained.

As we stated last week, this entertainment will be given under the auspices of the students of Morganton Male Academy.

## NEW FIRM.

Mr. G. W. Jones, formerly meat cutter in Mr. J. L. Anderson's store here, but more recently of Wilmington, and his father-in-law, Mr. J. P. May, of Laurens, S. C., have bought Mr. J. Monroe Kincaid's grocery business in Morganton and will continue the business in the store-room next door to postoffice. They will increase the stock and also add fresh meats. The style of the new firm is G. W. Jones & Co.

## THEY WERE ALL GUILTY.

"A female Sam Jones is stirring the people out in Missouri," says the Sweetwater (Tenn.) Telephone. "In a sermon recently she said: 'There is a man in this house who is untrue to his wife! I am going to throw this hymn book at him.' She raised the book as if she was going to throw it, and every man in the house ducked his head but one to avoid the book. Then she blistered the dodgers and lauded the one true man. It was afterwards learned that he was deaf and dumb."

R. L. Morrison and Augusta Winters were married last Sunday at the home of the bride's father, D. K. Winters, on the McDowell farm. Esq. Mark Winters performed the ceremony.

Register Giles has issued licenses for the marriage of D. J. Hildebrand and S. J. Stevens, and Ard Taylor and Maggie Moore.