

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1899.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Mr. Clement Geitner, of Hickory was here last Friday.

Miss Winnie Patton came home from Hickory Wednesday.

Miss Mildred Ellis, of Hickory, is visiting Miss Gertrude Davis.

Miss Fannie Ferree left Tuesday for Randleman to visit relatives.

Miss Sudie Hudson returned home Wednesday from school at Oxford.

Mr. W. C. Ervin left Wednesday evening for Washington, D. C., on business.

The Misses Boyer, who were at Rose Villa, left Tuesday for their home at Altoona, Pa.

Prof. F. B. Hendren's family moved to Wilkesboro the first of the week. Prof. Hendren will follow shortly.

Messrs. O. E. and D. V. Stoner, G. Hensley and G. F. Lay, of Asheville, visited Mr. Watt Meacham, in Morganton, this week.

Register Giles requests us to state that tax assessors for the different townships of Burke can get the necessary blanks for tax listing by calling at his office.

Work has been commenced on the new brick storehouse of Collett & Davis, on Union street. The new building will be occupied by Mrs. A. E. Hicks, milliner.

E. S. Coffey, Esq., and family, of Boone, and Mrs. Grier and son, of Grayson county, Va., visited the family of Mr. J. F. Spainhour the latter part of last week. They left Monday of this week.

Mr. J. F. Spainhour and family have gone to Boone. Mrs. Spainhour and the children will perhaps spend the greater part of the summer there. Mr. Spainhour will return in a few days for court.

Mrs. H. S. Pinkston and her four children left yesterday for Bakersville, where they will make their home. Mr. Pinkston has been there for several months. He is publishing the *Mitchell Mirror*.

Mr. E. Breese's father and mother, who have been visiting here for several weeks, left this week for their home in the State of New York. Their little grand-daughter Bessie Breese accompanied them home on a visit.

Clerk of Court P. W. Patton and wife and Mr. J. F. Spainhour attended an entertainment at Claremont College, Hickory, last Saturday night, going down on the 5 o'clock train and returning on the vestibule same night.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Betts and Mr. Jno. C. Miller left this week, the former for their home in Raleigh, the latter for his home in Goldsboro, their duties as teachers in the D. & D. School having ended for the spring term. They will return in the fall.

Mr. W. T. Harris, of Hickory, and Miss Beulah Brown, daughter of Mr. A. W. Brown, of Morganton, were married by Rev. S. J. Porter, at his residence, on Green street, Wednesday at 3:30 p. m., and left the same evening for Hickory, going by private conveyance.

The case of J. H. McNeely and A. P. Whitener against the commissioners of Morganton, growing out of the refusal of the latter to grant license for the sale of liquor in the town, will be heard at chambers in Marion before Judge McNeill soon after the adjournment of Yancey court, which is now in session.

We see in the papers that those who enlisted for the Spanish-American war and did not pass the examination are allowed pay by the government for the time between the date of enlistment and the date of examination and mileage from recruiting stations to their homes. There are some young men in Burke, both white and colored, who enlisted and afterwards failed to pass, and it would be well for them to look into the matter. Several colored men from Burke had to walk back home from the recruiting station in South Carolina.

The commencement at Claremont College, Hickory, took place the first of the week, and it is not surprising to those who know her that Miss Winnie Patton, daughter of Rev. R. L. Patton, of Morganton, won a good share of the laurels. On Monday night Miss Patton, one of the literary graduates, won the Murphy gold medal for the best oration. Her subject was "music." On Tuesday night the main feature was the two valedictory addresses, by Miss Harris, of Hickory, for the normal class, and Miss Patton, of Morganton, for the literary class. Of these addresses the *Hickory Mercury* says: "Both were very good, well written and well spoken and displayed skill, culture and refinement, and were very practical."

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