as second class matter. Marion, N C., January 3, 1895.

THE PASSING OF A YEAR.

Charlotte Observer, and is a bit of good reading matter:

"The saddest night of all the twelve months has just passed and the morning sun lights up the first day of a new year. Any of us who think, instead of going along divided on the senatoral question each day to take care of itself ab- Ewart are all in the race, with no solutely, and leaving the past, with certai ity as to the winner. The all its mamories behind, as fast as Populists however, worship at the it becomes the past, are glad this shrine of no political god but Butnight is gone and that the bound- | er, and as they are united on him, ary line has been crossed. The he will doubtless get the long term. sound of the bells, as they ring the Dugger has withdrawn. old year out, fall upon many an ear as the knell for departed souls, and the transition from the tolling to the ringing is too sudden to allow the shaking off of the sense of oppression and to inspire the merriment which the change is suppessed to suggest. Rightly regarded it is a solumn night and those who so regard it would closs their ears to the tolling, with all the added thoughts it conjures up, and with equal gladness close their ears to the quick sounding bell, the noise of which ill comports with the heaviness which hangs about the heart. It might well have been the last night of the year that the Lord passed over the houses of the Egyptians and smote all the firstborn.

There is that in us that represses at this time the recollection of the gladness which the past year brought. It may come up at snother time and be dwelt upon with pleasure, but this night is reserved to the recollection of sorrows, reverses, errors, wrong-doings, shortcomings, and remorse gnaws at the heart like a canker. With all else comes the sense that another turn has been taken in "the winding up of the watch of our time;" that we are a year's march nearer the narrow house; that we are closer by a twelve-month than we were when the bells last tolled and rang lo that time which is appointed unto all men. Surely we shall be ill-repaid for the memories which come trooping, for the reflections which the evil spirits which dance before

part of life to surrender ourselves at this time to the memory of the unhappy events or the misdeeds of the past year, any more than it is the part of courage to sink under the burdens which are the inevitathe school of experience; and after this proper use, it becomes us to throw off, as completely as we may, stronger and worthier shoulders. fund, \$8,087.72. The review of the year is well, if not pleasant, but none can afford the annually increasing balance. to dwell in it, now that it is past; now amounting to a surplus, be and this morning there opens and used annually in retiring the 4 per other year, bringing with it duties cent. bonds of the State, and the to be performed. If we shall have next Legislature take steps to conlearned from the past how better vertit into a sinking fund for this to discharge them, we shall thus specific purpose. It appears furget from it all the good it holds ther from the report that during see for yourself. for us; if we do not, we are worse the present year an apportionment dullards, for we have been attend. of 36,081.30 was made by the State ing the school in which we are told board of education among the var-

that even fools learn. to give greeting to 1895. Happily 27.642 in 1893 to 1894. This shows by Jan. 1st, or all such accounts none of us knows what it holds in a net increase of the accurred. will pass into other hands for colstore. We shall best use it by em- tions during the year of \$8,441.64 | lection. wish them no more."

Wednesday 9th.

THE following bit of Washingtoh news shows where some of the government's money goes every quarter of the year; and the sum The following is copied from the has been increasing ever since the war: "The Secretary of the Interior late Saturday issued a requisition on the Treasury for \$10,700. 000 for the quarterly payment pensions.

THE Republicans are hopelessly through life heedlessly, leaving Pritchard, Mott. Holton and

Good Roads.

North Carolina is waking up on

altimore Sun

the subject of better roads. As a proof of this, announcements of meeting for the discussion of this important subject never fails to draw out large audiences. A case in point was a lecture last week at associated with his father, Senator Bow do you like the Branch Willie. Wake Forest, by State Geologist Ransom, after his term in the Sen-Holmes on "Good Roads." He was greeted by a large Saudience, many persons coming considerable distances to hear the lecture, which was illustrated by a large and varied collection of stereopticon views. The method of instruction was by contrast. A series of views of the magnificent roads of Switzerland, France or Sweden was folinr to every man in the audience. The lacturer stated that during the eight menths of the year when North Carolina roads are at their best, a two-thousand-road is about an average one for two horses, but in the bad season it is reduced to about one-thousand; while on a good M:Adon 1986 the average lead is four thousand pounds for a pair of Clydesdale horses draw easily a seven-thousand-pound load the peace. Thursday night Burica is most advanced in New Jer- der. sey and Massachusetts. In the latter State the last Legislature vol- Frank Coxe's Broad river farm untarily offered the road commis- Christmas day in which i rawford sion \$500,000 for the improvement spring unbidden, for the sight of of the roads in one year. Some progress has been made in North rabbit hunting. Young Womack our eyes, whether closed or open. Carolina, with Mecklenburg county had shot at a rabbit, and Poves if we learn nothing from the past in the lead. Indeed, the Professor Scoggin, aged 18, a son of Mr. Nato guide our steps in the future. It must be profitable to us that these burg Declaration had some ground burg Declaration had some ground der and was in the act of taking it down, cocking it as he did so, when ded McAdam roads. He mention- and the weapon was discharged.

and Craven. Finances of North Carolina.

The committee appointed to exmay well use the recollection of Treasurer and Auditor has comple- crat. whatever has fallen into our lives ted its work. The statement of reas so much knowledge gained in ceipts and disbursements is as fol-

\$1,491,467.27; of educational fund. was kicked by a mule Friday evethe shackles which bind us to a \$59,656.02. Disbursements for 1893, within an hour. Mr. Geer, accompast which is dead. To live amidst of public fund, \$1,284.024.41; of panied by his four-year-old grandits ruins is mere weakness; the educational fund, \$26,909.77. Bal- da ghter, had gone to the barn to greater part of its memories are ances December, 1893, public fund, feed the stock. From what can be etc.; and that when you have tried these mere clogs which burden us when we should be stretching forward 746.25. For 1894, receipts of publication of publication of public resided. mere clogs which burden us when \$207,442.86; educational fund \$32. gathered from the child, it seems to those things which are before. lie fund, \$1,446,988.71; education- the act of picking it up, when the The world does not wait, nor should al fund, \$51,822.25, both these it, for the men who sit down to amounts including surplus from the men who sit down to be more ran to the house, and told be mother who went to the harn who sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be mother who went to the harn who sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be mother who went to the harn who sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be mother who went to the harn who sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends to the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends to the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends to the new fire constant and take an at once ran to the house, and told be sends to the house and told be sends to the house. The world does not wait, nor should at furd, \$51,822.25, both these mule kicked and he fell. The child reckon their accounts with them- the year previous. Disbursements her mother, who went to the barn selves. It goes by them or runs public fund, \$1,143,749.33; educaover them, and the responsibilities tional fund, \$43,734.53. Bala ce in with difficulty. He asked her to flandsome God Warch, a good Silver of citizenship which belong to treasury, December 1st, 1894, pub. raise him up, and when this was Watch, a Valuatuable Town Lot, a Genuine them are transferred to other, lie fund. \$303,239.38; educational done, asked to be laid down again, Diamond Ring, at fisher of Silverwise or a

> The committee recommends that Democrat. ious counties of the State, thus re-

ploying to the best advantage the It appears from the committee's opportunities which it may afford. report that the management of and by meeting with our utmost State Trersurer Tate has been ad- some good Photographs of Deuglass Space forbids mentioning the steadfastness its duties and trials mirable in all respects, wise and the ruins from the rec nt high grade, popular, beight, rom nic, shirty interesting stories, that the new year has much hap the State's finances fire, which she will be glad for school Topics will be sent you the day steadfastness its duties and trials mirable in all respects, wise and piness and good fortune laid up for in a more brilliantly successful to sell cheap. Address each of its readers, and it wishes way. He has accumulated and covthem these only because it can ered into the State Treasury \$5,-371.63 clear profit.

The Legislature meets next on GENERAL NEWS ITEMS. PARAGRAPHED FOR THE

RECORD READERS.

Enoch T. Bennett, of Craven, was He leaves a large tamily.

Lettuce is being shipped north

from Wrightsville section and brings from \$5 to \$7 a barrel. A ret and a match destroyed the arn of Mr Albert G. C rpening, of

Burke, with all there was in it. Samuel Fowler, the colored barer who recently cut his throat at

Hendersonville, died from the ef-

octs of his wounds last week. Avery Butler, who w. s serving a ife sentence in the penitentiary rkilling his father, escaped a few ights ago, by means of a key of frie de who greatly enjoyed thems lives. is own making with which he un-

locked his cel door. Attempts have been made to Ru herfordton recently It is said that these attempts were made because the Democrat has been making war on the blind tiger men.

Mr. Thos. Ransom, who has been practicing law in Ashaville for some years, has gine to Jackson. Northampton county, and will be

Judge Armfield returned Saturday night from Carthage, Moore cou ty, where he held his last court, his term as Superior Court judge expiring with this year. The judge will return to the practice of law in Statesville and will be ass . ciated with the firm of Armfield & Turner.-Landmark

The Statesville Landmark relowed by views of the ordinary dirt | ports the killing of a young white | may be had to Book No. 4 page 196 in the road of this country, all two famil- man named Henry Robinson, by a negro named Dave Dalton, while engaged in a row, in which several regroes and two white men were the participants. The killing was done with a rock, on Christmas day, and in the northern portion of Iredell county.

A Washington telegram says: J. H. Watson was shot and instant's killed by J. F. Burgaron Christmas morning near Autors. Watson was a constable, and was killed while two horses. He had human seen conveying Burgeron to persone who were to sign his bond to keep on such a road in New Jersey. The geron was taken from the lock-up at Aurora, and hung to the limber movement for good roads in Amer- a tree near the scene of the mur-

> A sad accident occurred on Col. Womack, a sixteen-year old son of Mr. Beatty Womack, was instantly killed. A large party of boys were Womack's face and he fell dead in his tracks. He never moved or breathed. His companions carried

Mr. William Geer, one of the ounty's oldest and highly respectd citizens, who lived with his son For 1893, receipts of public fund Mr. W. A. Greer, near Darlington,

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Notice.

Mrs. McKay has made

Mrs. L. L. McKAY,

Round Hill News.

Prof. D. M. Abern thy con-durs school t this place Falley fitst ing, far the hole

On Christmas day a heavy laden Christkilled Tuesday by a fulling tree, mas tree was presented to friends, students visitors and patrens of Round Bill school and was generally conceded to be one of the nicest occasions of the se-son. Spreches essays and compositions were raid and delivered in a manner that was highly enjoyble to all, and all are anxious for another Christmas to be ush-red around by old

father time. The school closed yesterday and Prof. Chernathy, who has during the past session discharged his duty in such a manner that was commendable, and thereby, made many friends who are very sorry to give

Miss Delia Ethiott gave a quilting on New Year's day to a large number of

Haw Branch News.

Af er many ups and downs on liaw blow up the Democrat office in Branch, Czyr picks up courage to write sgaip. We cannot give much news this time, for haw Branch news items are tiry

Christmas passed off quietly, Mr. Joseph Kanipe was on the Branch some days since, come again Joseph. After a week's visit, Mr. Willie Wilson

has returned to his home at Sugar Hill

Notice.

By virtue of a power contained in a mortgage deed executed to I-sish Raburn on the 3rd day of September 1890 by H. Wesly Cannon, I will sell at public suction on the 4th day of February 1895, at the court ance door in the town of Marion, the land lescribed in said mor gage to satisfy a debt of \$160 and interest. For a more particular description of said land, reference Registers office of McDowell county. Jan-Isalah Raburo.

TAXES, TAXES!

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N. H. Jimmerson's Mill, on Jan-

uary 2nd, 1895. Nebo City, January 3rd.

Old Fort, Saturday Jan. 5th Marion, Monday, Jan. 7th.

I mean to collect the taxes, and the law will bear me out in it. G. H. GARDIN, Sheriff.

Mortgag Sale of Land.

mortgage is registered in the office of Register of Deeds for McDowell county ed also in this connection Wake The entire load, consisting of bird in Book 5, on page 375, 1 will sell at and buck shot lodged in young public auction for cash to the highest bidder at the court house door in Marion, N. C. at 12 o'clock M., on Saturday December 29th 1894. The tract of land described in said Mortgage conthe burdens which are the inevita-ble incidents of this existence. We sainine the books, etc., of the State almost crazed.—Rutherford Demoed by the lands of J. H. Burgin, J. S. Lavender and John H. Turner, and situated in Crooked Creek Tow ship in said County and State. This Nov 26, 14. J. N. LAVANDER, Mortgagee

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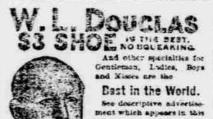
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