

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mr. John Cheek, of Salisbury, is visiting his parents here. Miss Minnie Goforth is visiting Mrs. W. F. Wood this week.

Miss Carrie Rollins returned home Monday. E. D. Carter, Esq., of Asheville, was in town last week.

Miss Josie Carter is visiting friends and relatives in Asheville this week. Mr. Ah. Blanton, we are sorry to say, has been quite unwell since July 24th.

Miss Annie Tate, of Bridgewater, is visiting Mrs. Wood and other friends and relatives in town this week. Mr. W. F. Wood, who is well and favorably known here, has been elected to a position in the Winston Graded schools.

Mrs. Robt. Armfield and Mrs. A. A. Covert, of Statesville, are visiting Mrs. H. H. Bennett at the Flemming Hotel. Rev. C. G. Little and family arrived in Marion Tuesday. They are now at the home of Mr. Geo. C. Conley, Mrs. Little's brother.

Register of Deeds Brown received 60 volumes of the Fusion laws Monday to distribute among the magistrates of the county. Miss Anna McKesson, of Morganton, after spending a few weeks here to the great delight of her many friends at this place, returned home Monday.

Mr. Alfred Clayton died at his home near Glenwood on Monday afternoon, and was buried in the neighborhood grave yard near by on Tuesday. Gov. H. C. Demming, of Harrisburg Pa., one of the victims of the memorable Boston Bridge wreck, spent a few days in McDowell last week looking after his mining interests.

The pastor of the Presbyterian church will preach at Belfont on Saturday night before the 3rd Sabbath of July, and at Silom and Old Fort on the 3rd Sabbath at the usual hours. Mr. J. G. Grant returned home Monday after spending several days fishing on Buck Creek. Fishing for trout in Buck Creek is fine sport at this time of year. Mr. Grant succeeded in capturing nearly two hundred in a few days last week.

Mr. W. L. Bryan, of Boone, father-in-law to Dr. M. F. Morphew, lost his store house and goods, a fine new barn and a dwelling last week by fire. Loss about \$7,000. It was with great difficulty that he saved his hotel. It is believed to be the work of an incendiary.

List of Jurors.

The following is the list of jurors drawn for the fall term of McDowell County Superior Court which convenes on August 12th: FIRST WEEK.—J. D. Avery, M. F. Tate, W. C. Bird, W. M. Mashburn, W. L. Gilliam, C. P. Mackey, R. C. Sanders, Robert D. Barnes, J. E. Wilson, A. M. Nesbitt, J. L. Walsh, M. C. Davis, G. W. Bradley, S. A. Lowery, J. R. Patton, W. M. Nashburn, P. B. Morris, Wm. M. Wilkerson, William McNeely, M. G. Morgan, W. J. Nesbitt, W. C. Elliott, G. W. Crawford, Adolphus Brackett, W. M. Goodson, J. I. Banning, R. L. Greenlee, S. M. Burgin, L. Z. Noblett, W. W. Hemphill, Thos. Morris, T. Y. Hemphill, Wm. Silvers, I. E. Marlowe, G. M. Walton, W. W. Bailey.

SECOND WEEK.—Samuel A. Poter, W. H. White, A. B. Ledbetter, E. J. Foster, B. F. Tisdale, John Yancey, Jr., J. Z. Page, J. H. Brown, W. R. Cooper, Thos. P. Cuthbertson, J. T. Durham, W. B. McKay, O. L. Goforth, G. T. Epps, W. C. Harris, J. M. Clay, J. M. Neal, Z. V. Hudgins.

Items From Old Fort. Correspondence of THE RECORD. Continued fine seasons are making great improvement in the condition of the corn in this section, and farmers are more cheerful. The glorious fourth passed very quietly in our town; a large crowd of young people celebrated the day by a trip to Catawba Falls, where they had a most pleasant day, returning in time for the ice cream festival.

An ice cream festival was held on Friday evening last at the Whitley house by the ladies of the Presbyterian church with marked success financially as well as socially. The funds are to be used in preparing their church for the presence of Evangelist Gale, who comes some time in August. A protracted meeting begins to-night in the Methodist church under the direction of the pastor assisted by Rev. Z. Pax's of Asheville.

Miss Ida Watkins, of Black Mountain, made hearts glad last week by her presence in our town. That clever hustler Geo. E. Lee, Agent for the Southern at Marion, was in town last week. Many old friends here are always pleased to see George. Mr. Zeb Crawford is at home on a visit. Mr. Sam Blalock came home on Sunday morning early on a short visit and had the misfortune to find a drove of hogs totally destroying his fine garden. They had gotten in during the night. Susky, Old Fort, July 9, 1905.

The Ohio River and Charleston Railroad. The news reaches us that President Samuel Hunt, of the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia Company thinks that there are good prospects for the completion of the Ohio River and Charleston Railroad. A portion of it is already built, 171 miles from Camden to Marion, N. C., twenty miles between Johnson City and Unaka Springs, Tenn., and eight and one-half miles between White House and Richardson, Ky. The road as contemplated is about 200 miles long, more than 200 of which have been completed and are in working order.

The amount of bonds to be issued has not been definitely determined upon, but the cost of the construction of the new road is not to exceed \$15,000 per mile. The company is earning its fixed charges, as well as paying its taxes. The money is to be expended on the completion of the road from Sumpter, S. C., to the Virginia coal fields, which will give the company an excellent territory to draw upon. The new link will be constructed across the Blue Ridge to a connection with the road already in operation in Tennessee. When the link is completed it will give a short outlet from the coal fields to a number of important cities, as well as making connections with several large railroads.

\$5,000 for Swamp Lands. State Superintendent Scarborough yesterday received a check for \$5,000 from Cassius W. Carrier, of Carrier, Jefferson county, Pa., to pay for swamp lands in the Angola Bay section of Duplin and Pender counties, just sold to him by the State Board of Education. There have been surveyed 4,129.9 acres of this lot, the remainder being paid for in advance. These lands net the State fifty cents an acre.

J. MacNaughton, a lumberman of Gouverneur, N. Y., is prospecting in McDowell and Mitchell this week. Col. Cutler and daughter Miss Lula, father and sister of Mrs. E. J. Justice, of Wilmington, are visiting Mrs. Justice in town. On account of the Baptist Young People's Union, Baltimore, Md., the Southern Railway will sell all rail one fare round trip tickets at rate of \$1.40. Tickets on sale July 16th and 17th, first returning August 5th. Leave Marion 5:15 p. m. central time, arrive at Baltimore next morning 8:05 eastern time.

Dr. Alston, of Burnsville, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. D. N. Lonon is visiting her parents in the Cove this week.

Mr. W. F. Neal is visiting relatives in town this week.

Mr. McCurdy and wife are among Marion's summer visitors.

Mrs. J. W. Streetman, of Hendersonville, is visiting her father, Mr. G. G. Eaves.

W. J. Townsend, a former resident of Marion, is shaking hands with old friends and acquaintances on the street this week.

The Record returns thanks to Mr. W. H. Bobbitt for a treat to some of the most delicious ice cream it ever stuck its bill to.

McCall & Conley are hustlers. They have the goods and you are going to miss it if you don't examine their prices. Read their new ad. this week.

Messrs. Will Cooper, Robt. Finley, Clarence M. McCall, Jim Lonon, Sam and Ed Dysart and Charley Bobbitt celebrated the Fourth of July in Asheville.

The Treasury deficit for the fiscal year just closed at approximately \$43,250,000. This, added to last year's deficit of nearly \$70,000,000 makes the excess of expenditures over receipts since June 30, 1893, about \$113,250,000.

Bloomers have struck Charlotte. The Observer says two young lady bicyclists don bloomers nightly and ride with their gentlemen friends.

In Colorado recently members of the Salvation Army were arrested, and a woman was put in jail thirty days for holding an open air meeting. The Denver Times just says: "Capt. Coxy's imprisonment is an act that is a disgrace to Colorado Springs and the whole State. Her sentence is an insult to the cause of Christianity and a piece of persecution that men and women of all classes will bitterly resent. In the name of right and justice her release is demanded, while Coloradans blush to know that the shameful fact of the thirty days' sentence has been telegraphed abroad."

According to the religious census report just issued the total communicants of all denominations is 29,612,806, who belong to 165,177 organizations of congregations. These congregations have 142,721 edifices, which have sittings for 43,951,863 persons. The value of all church property used exclusively for purposes of worship is \$874,630,119. There are 154,036 regular ministers, not including lay preachers. There are five bodies which have more than one million of communicants, and ten more than five hundred thousand. The leading denominations have communicants in round numbers as follows: Catholic, 6,250,000; Methodist, 4,900,000; Baptist, 3,725,000; Presbyterian, 1,280,000; Lutheran, 1,230,000; Protestant Episcopal, 610,000.

"The Criminal Docket." Mrs. P. D. B. Arrington informs a waiting public that her paper, "The Criminal Docket," which has suspended publication since last year, will re-appear Monday. She says she will let in the light on the last Legislature and show the public how the wheels went round in that notorious body. "It will be red-hot," she is quoted as saying.—News-Observer.

A Cheerful View. The following story is told by a correspondent who has recently returned from a trip to the far West of the United States. Two men who had been sitting together in the seat near the door of a railway car became engaged in an animated controversy, and their loud voices attracted the attention of all the other passengers.

Suddenly one of them rose and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I appeal to you to decide a disputed point. My friend here insists that not more than three persons out of five believe they have souls. I take a more cheerful view of humanity than that. Will all of you who believe you have souls raise your right hands?"

Every hand in the car went up. "Thank you," he said, with a smile. "Keep them up just a moment. Now, will all of you who believe in a hereafter please raise your left hand also?"

Every hand in the car went up. "Thank you again," he said. "Now, while all of you have your hands raised," he continued, drawing a pair of revolvers and leveling them, "my friend here will go down the aisle and relieve you of whatever valuables you may happen to have. Lively now, Jim."

Something of a sensation was caused in Wichita, Kan., a few days ago by Mrs. Mary Lease appearing in a bicycle suit consisting of a Syrian costume, including large trousers, tucked. In an interview she said she abominated bloomers and thought the Syrian costume the proper thing. Bicycle riding, she says, is the next thing to having wings.

At Gray Gables, July 7th, Mrs. Cleveland gave birth to a third girl. Old Grover evidently believes in a single girl standard, as well as a "single gold standard."

Many papers of the country are crowding and shouting over the advent of this child into the world more than our patriotic ancestors would over the admission of a new state into the Union. We think it a display of the most absurd and disgraceful nonsense. As for the Record, it can't see how it is that Grover's baby is any better than any other baby. Don't you reckon it kicks and squalls just like other babies?

The executive committee of the University trustees has decided to put in a \$7,000 electric light plant.

STATE NEWS.

Anson county has six newspapers.

In 1890, \$61,000,000 were invested in cotton mills in North Carolina, now there are \$119,000,000 so placed.

The News and Observer has prepared a statement of figures which goes to show that at the end of 1896 there will be a deficit of \$275,000 in the North Carolina treasury.

A gentleman in Goose Creek township has started a novel enterprise. He has established a turtle farm and will raise those amphibious animals for market, says the Monroe Enquirer.

In a letter to the Winston Republican Capt. A. D. Cowles, of Statesville, insists that the tariff will be the issue next year and he urges Republicans not to be sidetracked by the financial discussion.

The Morganton Herald says the State Hospital has purchased from Major Wilson 51 acres of meadow land paying therefor about \$3,000. The land will be improved and used as part of the Hospital farm.

A great rain storm swept through portions of Kansas, Mississippi, Missouri and North Dakota last week, doing much damage to life and property. At some places the water was the highest known in thirty years.

A Populist School Committee in Johnston county employed an auctioneer to let out the public school to the lowest bidder. It was knocked off at about \$12 a month, says a correspondent of the Smithfield Herald.

The journals of the Senate show that Judge Ewart only received 22 votes in the Senate, whereas 26 formed a quorum, and that number was necessary for election. The election of Judge of the Criminal Court was not by joint ballot. Judge Starbuck decided in the Ellington-Stanford case that where there was no quorum there was no election.—Raleigh Press.

In spite of the fact that the price of gold is fixed by the law of England at \$18.92 per ounce standard, and that prior to 1873 the price of silver was fixed by the law of the United States at \$1.29 per ounce, the gold monometallists continue to assert that the price of gold as well as of silver is determined by the law of supply and demand.—N. Y. Mercury, Dem.

Thomas Crysall tells us of an interesting curiosity over on his plantation. A negro tenant has a pup about a week old or a little over that has three well developed eyes. Two of them are in their natural positions. The third eye is about half way between the other two and is somewhat higher up the head. The pup is pert and doing well, and acts just like any other pup would.—Wilkesboro Chronicle.

While New York grown strawberries are now selling on the Northern markets at five cents a quart, Sampson blues bring ten to twelve cents. There is really no flies on Sampson's huckleberry crop. It will bring about \$100,000 of hard cash into the county from the North this year, and the beauty of it is that this is nearly all net profit. There is no expense in making the crop, says the Sampson Democrat.

Raleigh News and Observer: Work is rapidly progressing on the principal building of the Baptist Female University at the corner of Edenton and Blount streets. Even now enough of the general plan of the building can be seen to show that it will be a very large and handsome structure.

The public school edition of the Raleigh News and Observer reached our desk Tuesday. It is a complete success. It gives a history of the progress of learning in North Carolina both before and after the war; also sketches of the lives of our great educators. Every person interested in the great work of education in North Carolina ought to have a copy of the paper. It contains twenty-four pages of interesting matter.

"With our vast area and our so-called starving farmers" says the Secretary of Agriculture, "we do not raise enough eggs for ourselves. We import them by the millions, and the cackling of tens of thousands of Canadian hens is heard daily over the eggs which they are laying for the United States. Eggs are beneath the notice of the average American farmer. His wife may, perhaps, get a bit of her pin money out of the chickens, but that is all."

J. B. Bonner, of Aurora, Beaufort county, writes the Raleigh News and Observer that there is no truth in the statement that Mr. Walter Hooker outraged or tried to outrage the little daughter of Midyette. Bonner says the whole affair is a mountain made out of a mole hill and the girl's father now regrets that he had a warrant issued for Hooker.

The supply of black walnut will soon be exhausted. The demand is increasing. Set out 175 trees on some rough knoll, and in twenty-five years they will bring \$30 to \$40 apiece.

Parties wanting elegant bouquets at any season, made to order, any kind of flowers for in and out door, any kind of vegetable plants, spring bedding or bulbous plants, at the lowest price, can get them by writing to Ernest J. Bush, Morganton, N. C.

Old papers for sale at the Record office.

TO THE PUBLIC.—In compliance with the laws of North Carolina the Board of Health of the town of Marion here by warns all residents of Marion to clean up their premises at once and to keep the same free from filth. Persons refusing to heed this warning must suffer the full penalty of the law.

B. A. Cheek, Sup't of Health.

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