

LOCAL ITEMS.

Marked Dookery spent Saturday and Sunday with his family. C. H. Hobbs, the Bath-Ax... Register of deeds, W. G. Thomas spent Sunday with his family at home. Mr. Cox, the M. & P. hunting agent and correspondent, spent Thursday in our city. Mrs. M. H. Melver and family have moved into one of Mr. McLean's beautiful cottages on Franklin Street. The man and the bear and the bear and the man—the children, have held up the town for several days. Mr. W. J. Whittier closed a trade yesterday with Dr. J. M. Corington, for his fine residence on Randolph St. We regret that our neighbor, Mrs. C. E. McKee, has been suffering from a lame leg. She is now much better. Miss Susie McDonald, says the Troy Examiner, has returned to her position as assistant in the Troy Academy. J. W. Briggan killed several fine hogs, but we have not seen given the weights. However John kills big hogs. We hear that Dr. Williamson has purchased of H. C. Watson, the lot near dog dog bridge, lying between the two roads. Quite a number of school teachers were here on Saturday to have their salary vouchers cashed—and they went away happy. We are pleased to hear that good Dr. Standell is improving. We are anxious to see him behind the little school again. We were glad to see the familiar face of Mr. John S. Ledbetter on our streets on Saturday. He has been sick quite awhile. We regret that our neighbor, E. M. Boggan was right unwell Sunday. Two of his children, Miss Annie and Susie were also quite sick. The incumbent who sits down and waits for people to hunt him up and force him to sell his goods, is like a dog that looks at the moon. My, my, my! we have never heard of so many contemplated or probable marriages. It will take a whole flock of little birds to tell the news. J. W. O'Brien killed a fine boar a few days ago that tipped the beam at 250 lbs. We ought to have published this last week, or "allow a gain of ten pounds." Mr. Walter Lowery, of Morven, has purchased the stocks of Messrs. Brady and Aubrey. He has moved the Brady stock to the Aubrey store and will run a general grocery business there. Mr. L. A. Hall's family left last Monday for the Chadwick mill, Charlotte, N. C. The members of this good family carry with them the best wishes of many friends. We had pleasant calls from several of our friends from a distance last Monday, including Messrs. J. F. Bolton, L. W. P. Webb and J. D. Covington, of Mountain Creek, and Rev. J. C. New, of Beaver Dam township. Messrs. Walter and John Thomas are making considerable improvement in the appearance of their home on the hill, just as in the creek. We don't know exactly what it means—but there's room enough to cage two birds. H. E. Smith will sell you a pig. Change of Place. By request, the exercises which were to have been held at St. Paul's church, will be held at Oakdale Academy, near E. M. Boggan's residence. J. H. Walsh, C. S. S. Onion sets at H. E. Smith's. Mrs. Mary E. Williamson. Died at High Point on the 15th instant, Mrs. Mary E. the beloved wife of Mr. T. B. Williams and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Henton, of Richmond county. Mrs. Williams was 52 years of age last May. When a girl of only 14 years she embraced religion and united with the Methodist church. She was a noble Christian woman, and it is a great sorrow to the bereaved to feel that their departed loved one is at rest, sweet rest, in the heavenly city. Surely He who tempers the bleak winds to the shore lulls will comfort those who weep. The Headlight tender its warmest sympathy to those who mourn, humbly pointing them to him who said: "Blessed are they that mourn—for they shall be comforted." Nicest fruits at H. E. Smith's. Buy your flour at H. E. Smith's. Our load of cotton seed hulls at H. E. Smith's. We want to purchase 1000 bushels of corn, best price paid by A. W. Foster & Co.

McLean-Fulford. The marriage of Rev. W. J. and Miss Kate McLean will take place at the home of the bride, in Wadesboro, on the 30th instant, at 8:00 p. m. No cards. After this happy event, they will be at home, to their friends in Rockingham, N. C. The Headlight extends congratulations in advance, sincerely wishing for the happy couple a pleasant voyage across the sea of life and a safe anchorage in the port of eternal bliss. Thompson-Fulford. Handsomely engraved cards, which read as follows, have been received in Rockingham. Mrs. M. E. Thompson requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter, Maty, to Mr. Willie Turner Fulford, Wednesday morning, February fourth, nineteen hundred and three, at ten forty-five o'clock at home. 220 Church Street Danville, Virginia. The Headlight extends congratulations in advance and wishes for its clever young friend and his handsome bride a full measure of happiness through many prosperous years. Holder-Hudson. Mr. Ben Hudson and Miss Hattie Holder, of Steele's Mill village were married on Sunday, the 18th inst. This union of happy hearts has something of romance connected with it. It seems that the parties had been "sweethearts" for some time and all went well until the lady had decided to move to Georgia. This was too much for the young man, and an immediate marriage was decided upon and promptly consummated. The Headlight extends congratulations with the suggestion that with the Headlight always in their home, it will be a prosperous and happy home. To School Committee-men. The committeemen of all the public schools, white and colored, are herewith informed that every school in the county will have funds to run at least four months, and no school will be expected to close with a shorter term. Many of the schools will run longer. The apportionment has been made in strict accordance with law, and this gives to townships having the greatest number of children longer terms. Whether his is right or not, it is not our province to consider. Law is law, and must be obeyed. Where schools have not enough funds for a term of four months, the State will supply the balance required, and in obedience to instructions from the State Superintendent, I have already made application for required amounts. Don't let your schools stop, before they have had a term of four months. When you are able to do so, continue as long as the attendance will justify. J. H. Walsh, C. S. S. Roberdel No. 2. Dear Headlight: I will give you a few dots from our new town, which is nearing completion very fast. This is a nice location for a factory village, and we have a very nice mill being built. It is very nearly covered now and they are expecting a lot of machinery soon. There are sixty some odd dwellings that are completed except painting. Men are here drilling and boring for water, and they hope to be able to have the mill ready for operation in June. We have nine or ten families living here now. Bro. Rob. Leak preached a very interesting sermon here Sunday at 11 o'clock. Rev. Bryant Lovin will preach at this place the fourth Sunday in February, at 11 o'clock, and we hope to be able to organize a Sunday school by then. Well Mr. Editor, as we have so many visitors here, especially on Sundays, I fear my dots will not be interesting, for our readers may all know more of the business of our town than the writer. D. O. R.

COUNTY NEWS

Great Falls. W. S. Webb and Dan Newton have both been on the sick list for several days. One marriage last week and rumor says others will follow. A. B. Allen, who has been unwell for several days, is able to be at his post again in the cloth room. Overseer Frank Terry, of the weave room, is making some changes in the quality of cloth. He is making some 86 pick, 40 inch drill on part of his looms. Glad to report Mr. W. J. Dowd improving. Boys, can't we have a good debating society? Why not? How is it at Pee Dee No. 2? Let us hear correspondent. Glad to have a pleasant call from our old true friend, George Warburton, also from our friend, T. L. Brown, of Cordova, a few days ago. Hurrah for Dookery and London's bills! They are on the right line. Jas. W., Oscar and Colin O'Brien, and W. B. McKenzie, of Roberdel, were visitors at D. F. O'Brien Sunday evening. John Robbins, of Rabbit Hill, is a frequent caller upon the fair sex of our village. Sorry to report Mrs. D. F. O'Brien very poorly—worse than she has been for several weeks. Ernest Webb and A. B. Wallace spent Sunday at Cordova. Mr. Charlie Jones, of Pee Dee, and Miss Ida Cockman, of Great Falls, were happily married last Thursday by Rev. Mr. Britt. The following ladies and gentlemen were the waiters: Miss Flossie Wallace with Mr. Chas. Brady, Miss Cora Maness with Mr. Tom Crooke, Miss Mamie Hancock with Mr. Danford Liles, Miss Doris Cockman with Mr. Mason McIntosh, Miss Nellie Hancock with Mr. Leighton Williams, Miss Maggie Richardson with Mr. Bab Carr, Miss Hattie Jones with Mr. Louis maness. We wish the happy couple a long and happy life. Textile. Black Jack Henry Holt is some better we are glad to say. John Driggers, of Cordova, was visiting in this section Sunday. It seems that Roosevelt is trying to bulldoze the South with bears and coons. However a bull never butted so hard but what he had to rest. Say, Legislature, we think some road working would be in order. We are tired of having to ride in holes, mud and gullies every time we go to market. John Moore and Luther Stone from Great Falls, were at Mr. Giles Moor's Sunday. Jo'n Wright, William Fulford and Miss Fulford, from Rockingham, were at W. C. Hick's Sunday. Misses Lillie Dookery and Brent Meacham were at A. J. Harrington's Monday evening. Mrs. Lunda Webb and Miss Ladio Holt spent Monday evening with their sister, Mrs. Covington. I have been confined to the house for three weeks with my cut foot and have had a tough time indeed. I have had good nursing and hope to get out soon. C. Roberdel. Boyce Covington, who has been in the Philippine Islands for several months, has returned home. He says he completed a tour around the world when he arrived at Monroe. W. T. Baldwin, of Mountain Creek, has accepted a position with the Roberdel Mfg. Co. The ink at this writing, we are glad to say are improving. D. M. Nordan wants two bushels of tobacco tags. Bring them in boys. He will give you \$50. per hundred. B. T. Last Christmas time because There wasn't then a speck of snow? So th' ain't no Santa Claus. He's jes' the wurstest boy I guess That ever was, an' I Hair's go'n' to play with him, but jes' Go on an, pass him by. So'd you of you could hear him say That jes' our pas an' mas Will give us things on Christmas day, An' th' ain't no Santa Claus. —Margaret Vincent in Womankind. CONDOVA. Dear Editor—Being that I have never joined your band, I will try to write you a few lines. I am going to school every day and am learning fast. I study the higher history of the United States, and grammar, spelling book, manual geography, and arithmetic. My teacher's name is Mr. E. F. Reynolds, and he is a good one. I am thirteen years old and have been going to school ever since I was six years old. My first teacher was Miss Claudie Butler, of Hope Mills. I learned my letters in one half of a day, and went to reading the next half. Father has worked hard and sent me to school, but after this school I am going to work and help him. He says in two years I can come out and go to school again. While I write this it is raining here, but has stopped sleeting. It is very cold and the pines and bushes are hanging with ice. Well, I suppose that we have got to go to St. Paul's again in February. I hope we have, but I don't want to have to spell in the blue back spelling-book. Yours truly, Junie McKay. EXWAY. We are two little boys 8 and 10 years old. We have never been to school very much, but we can read and write, and we love to read the boy's and girl's letters very much. We go to school at Exway Mr. C. W. Luther is our teacher and Miss Bettie Luther is our assistant teacher. We like them both very much. We go to Sunday school at Concord. Miss Lily Baldwin is our teacher; we like her very much. Rev. J. W. Hoyle spent Friday with us. We like him very well. We would be glad to hear him talk several days. Come again Mr. Hoyle. Dr. G. W. Brown's horse ran away during Christmas. It ran about a mile dropping pieces of the buggy all along the road. It was found several hours later mixed up in a ditch with only the shalves and two wheels. We have 80 scholars at Exway. Wishing you all a happy new year. G. G. and D. A. Hutchinson. ELLERBE. Dear Headlight—I will join the Children's Column again. I am nine years old and I am going to school. My teacher is Mr. O. G. Reynolds and I like him very much. My studies are arithmetic, history, grammar, physiology, geography and spelling. I spent Sunday with my little friends, Gracie and Bennie Hiatt. We had a real nice time I will close by asking a question. A fowl ate a fowl in a tall pine tree, if you will guess this riddle you may kiss me. Katie Bostick. Pee Dee No. 2. Leaton Williams and sister Miss Mittie, visited friends at Candor last Sunday. Mr. Chas. Jones, of this place, and Miss Ida Cockman, of Great Falls, were happily married last Wednesday night at the home of the bride. We extend hearty congratulations. John Thawer, who has been quite sick the past week, is we are glad to say, improving. We are proud to say that most of the voters of this place have signed the petition favoring the London bill. V. S. C. All kinds of garden seed at H. H. Smith's. L. D. BOB IFFSON, L. B. WILLIAMS T. L. CAUDLE. LAWYERS. AND REAL ESTATE AGENTS. Office in Bank Building. HAMLET, N. C.

Wadesboro News. The powers that be have built a neat house in the immediate neighborhood of the house where the small pox broke out. The disease is still confined to this family. The contract has, or will be let out at an early day, for the erection of seven handsome buildings in our town. Dr. E. A. Ashbould on what is called the goat place, L. J. Huntly and L. D. Robinson will build on the Dr. Ashe place. The old building will be removed at an early day. Editor J. G. Boylin is building a handsome residence on his place south of town. I am not at liberty to name the others who contemplate building. There is only one bar-room opening, at this time, in our town. The liquor business will be again tackled in May. Tillman, the murderer of Gonzales, is receiving the censure of the whole country. Pile it on. Make his life as odious, that if the law does not hang him, he, like Judas, will hang himself. I would like for your young correspondents to write on the life of the Hon. Jefferson Davis. I would like for the children to be more conversant with this great citizen of the South. I would like for them to be acquainted with his services, as a statesman; his gallantry as a warrior; his grandeur as President of the Confederate States; his fortitude in bearing his vicarious punishments, and his patience in his life of voluntary retirement. Let the mothers of the children of your county encourage them in this matter. Teach them that the boys who wore the gray have given no North Carolina a heritage that will last as long as time; that these men are patriots and that they ought to be called together at least once a year in reunion. Richmond county is sadly remiss in this duty. E. F. F. Oranges, apples and Bananas at H. H. Smith's. Notice. Application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina at its session in 1903, to incorporate and charter the Bank of Hamlet with its principal office and place of business in the town of Hamlet, Rockingham county, North Carolina. This Dec. 31, 1902. Notice. The undersigned having qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond County as administrator of the estate of Anderson Settle, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to me duly verified on or before the first day of January, 1904, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to me. George W. Nichols, Administrator of Anderson Settle, deceased. The D. n' or 31, 1902. January 27th 1903. DON'T THINK. If you call once and do not find what you want do not think I will not have it next time. I have new goods coming in every day, and if yours are not in one lot, they may be in the next. I have determined to keep what the people want. So continue to call and I assure you that you will get fresh goods at reasonable prices. Big lot of "stuff" just ordered. They are all fresh from the factories or mills. Give me a call before buying. I will make it to your interest. I BUY Butter, Chickens and Eggs, Corn, Peas and almost anything the farmers raise. yours to serve, With a Free Delivery. Henry H Smith. Behind the Court House. Notice. The road supervisors of Wolf Pit township are requested to meet at the Oakdale school house, near E. M. Boggan's residence, on the first Saturday in February at 10 o'clock a. m. A full meeting is greatly desired. Chairman.

Mortgagee's Sale of Land. By virtue of the power contained in a certain deed of mortgage, executed to A. G. Corpening and J. W. Slump, on the 3rd day of March 1885, by Jno. McPherson, and recorded in Book 8 B B, page 222, in the office of The Register of Deeds for Richmond County, and whereas the interest of the said J. W. Slump has been assigned to me, I will on Monday the 2nd day of March, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., offer for sale at public auction, for cash, the following described tract or parcel of land, to-wit: First tract. Beginning at a pine three pine pointers near the old road leading from McLean's bridge to the falling mill and on the west side of the head of Long branch and runs S 20 E 26 chains to a corner; thence 70 East 40 chains to a corner; thence direct to the beginning, containing 100 acres granted to Duncan McPherson on the 27th day of November 1844. Second tract. Beginning at a pine among pointers, the fourth corner of Duncan McPherson's 100 acre survey and runs north 20 W 20 chains to a corner; thence South 70 W 40 chains to a corner; thence South 20 East 16 chains to a corner; thence South 70 W 4 chains to a corner; thence South 16 E 10 chains to a corner; thence S 57 W 18. 30 chains to an oak two pine pointers in his own line; thence S. 20 E 29 chains to the Long branch; thence up the meanders of said branch to said McPherson line; thence as said line reversed N 20 W 17 chains to a pine 3 pine pointers the beginning corner of said McPherson's survey, thence the home line of said survey reversed N 70 E 40 chains to the beginning containing 100 acres excepting 2 acres that are now enclosed and in cultivation. A. G. Corpening and J. W. Slump, Mortgagees. A. G. Corpening, assignee, J. W. LeGrand, Atty. This the 24 day of January 1903. Commissioner's Sale of Land. By virtue of the power contained in a decree of the Superior court of Richmond County N. C., made by Jno. L. Everett Clark, on the 18 day of January 1903, in a certain special or ex parte proceedings wherein Wm. B. Reynolds and other heirs-at-law of John Reynolds deceased are petitioners, I will on Monday the 2nd day of February, 1903 at 12 o'clock noon in front of the Court House door in the town of Rockingham in said State and county, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, the following described lands, the same being the lands described in the petition in said special proceedings. A tract of land situated, lying and being in Steele's township in said State and county adjoining the Coleman tract and other lands. Beginning at a chestnut oak on the Sugar Loaf Mountain, supposed to be a corner of the Coleman land and runs as a line of said land South 65 W. 45 chains to a stake; thence N. 60 W. 22 chains and 50 links to Coleman's Creek; thence up the various courses of said creek about 80 chains to a stake by a steeping maple and 2 pine pointers; thence South 45 E 70 chains and 50 links, passing through a small clearing made by Wm. Meacham to a stake by a black gum and dead sassafras; thence S. 45 W 25 chains to a pine in the Coleman line thence with said line N 25 W 12 chains and 50 links to the beginning, containing 280 acres more or less. John P. Cameron, Commissioner. January 27th 1903.

That Bad Teddy Brown. The wurstest boy I ever saw Is jes' that Teddy Brown; He's jes' as bad as he can be, For one day he came down To visit me while an' play An' said our pas an' mas Jes' give us things on Christmas day, An' th' ain't no Santa Claus. I hair's go'n' play with Teddy Brown, I'd like to well as not, But he says 'santy can't come down A chubbly like we go, An' he says how would he sleigh go