

Rockingham Rocket.

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LOCAL DEPARTMENT. R. W. KNIGHT, LOCAL EDITOR.

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Church Directory.

METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. J. H. PAGE, Pastor.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M., and on the 2nd and 4th Sabbaths services will also be held at 7:30 P. M. On 1st Sabbath at 3:30 the pastor will preach at Pee Dee, and on 3rd Sabbath afternoon at Roberdel. Sabbath-school at 3:30 P. M. BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. NEEHAM B. COBB, Pastor.—Services 1st and 3rd Sabbath in every month at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sabbath-school every Sabbath at 9 A. M. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. A. R. SHAW, Pastor.—Services second and fourth Sabbath in each month, morning and night. Sabbath-school every Sabbath at 9 A. M.

THE MAILS.

Mails going West on C. C. Railroad close at 12:15 P. M.; mails going East close at 3:00 P. M. P. W. STANSELL, Postmaster.

Another dull week in news circles.

All inquiries among our country friends for fruit elicits the reply that there is none—except blackberries.

Mrs. Barbara Beasley died at the "old Milliken place," in Wolf Pit township, on the 15th, aged 65 years.

Monday was the hottest day of the year, so far, and our town was short on ice. A car load was received Wednesday morning.

Yesterday was the first day of summer. If the weather for the past week is but a foretaste we should like to join an Arctic expedition.

Rev. W. F. Sandford, of Georgia, and Mr. Claude Sandford, of Winston, are at home on a visit to their mother, Mrs. Sue P. Sandford.

Mr. H. C. Watson, having fitted up a good soda apparatus in his store, is now prepared to furnish the public with good ice-cold soda water and milk shakes.

A threshing machine, a steam engine and boiler and a saw mill were sold at the court house door on Saturday, under foreclosure of mortgages. It was a cash sale, and the property went very cheap.

"A merciful man is merciful to his beast." People should have great consideration for their stock this hot weather, and give them every opportunity possible for an occasional rest in the shade. Provide them plenty of cool water.

The weather for the past week has been distressingly hot. Last Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday the thermometer registered 97 to 100 degrees in the middle of the day, and remained up in the nineties until after sundown.

The Winston State Normal School will open on the fourth of July and continue three weeks. Prof. J. L. Tomlinson has been elected Superintendent, with an able corps of assistants. The session promises to be an interesting one.

The effect of the drought is beginning to show plainly on the growing crops. It is now three weeks since there has been any rain in this vicinity, and while cotton has probably suffered no serious injury, the corn is badly damaged in some sections and will be ruined if rain does not come soon. The gardens about town are almost burnt up.

Bro. Hearn, of the Wadesboro Intelligence, in answer to our inquiry, tells us how to break up a setting hen, and then asks us how to make a hen set when she don't want to set. We give it up; but we do know that if the eggs are left in the nest as the hen lays them she will go setting much sooner than if the eggs are removed each day.

To guard against any wrong impression we would state that the joint meeting of Commissioners and Justices, held on the first Monday in June, did not levy any fence tax for the reason that the Statute, creating the county stock-fence, requires that the Commissioners alone shall levy the tax which they will do probably at their next meeting and which, we feel assured, will be a light tax.

The Duke Tobacco Co., of Durham, has for some time been selling to the trade a brand of cigarettes put up in little paste-board boxes, each box containing a more or less indecent picture. There is a State law prohibiting the sale of lewd or obscene literature or pictures, and Mayor McDowell, of Charlotte, has given the merchants of that city notice that the law will be rigorously enforced against all who shall sell or give away any more of the cigarettes containing the pictures. Mayor McDowell's example should be followed by the mayors of all the towns and cities in the State, for such pictures have a tendency to poison the minds of the youth of the land—who, unfortunately, consume the larger portion of the cigarettes.

There were good rains in sections of the county on Monday and Tuesday. At Rockingham it is still dry. P. S.—Light rain Tuesday night.

A private letter from Stanly county conveys the pleasing intelligence that the cotton crop of that county, particularly in the eastern portion, is very promising. Complaint is made that corn is being damaged by the chinch bug.

Mr. Vernon W. Long is in charge of the Winston Sentinel, the former editor having taken a position on the Anniston (Ala.) Hot Blast. We are glad to see that under Mr. Long's management the paper is kept up to the standard made for it by Mr. Oldham.

"Rockingham is now one of the healthiest places in the State," said one of our physicians the other day, "and there is but little sickness in the country contiguous," and he wiped a tear from the corner of his eye and sought the friendly shade at the "loafers' retreat."

Mr. John B. Sherrill, editor of the Concord Times, has purchased the Concord Register office, and will consolidate the two papers. Mr. Sherrill has also purchased a new power press, and will doubtless make the Times a credit to the thriving town in which it is published. He has our best wishes.

Our townsman, Capt. W. I. Everett, has been appointed by Governor Scales as the delegate, entrusted with full powers as such, to represent this county in the Interstate Convention of Farmers to be held at Atlanta, Ga., on the 16th of August next. His commission was received last week, bearing date June 15th.

We congratulate Mr. J. H. Lindsay, of the Kernersville News and Farm, on the success that enables him to displace the old hand press by a No. 3 Campbell power press; and further upon the fact that he has declined the offer of a position on the Winston Sentinel and resolved to continue in charge of the News and Farm.

Here is what an editor is, according to the Greensboro "Workman": "An editor is a man who runs a newspaper, and to whom the best classes of society make regular and prompt payment, while some others think he is a witch who steals his paper, ink, house rent, labor hire, food, raiment, everything, and therefore neither deserves nor needs that any one should ever pay him a cent, except a little along at first to get the paper started."

There seems to be much interest manifested in the hanging of the negro Archie Martin, and the question has often been asked whether he will be hanged publicly or privately. That question will be decided by the County Commissioners at their meeting on the first Monday in July, until which time nothing definite can be known. There seems to be a general desire that the execution be public, and yet arguments are advanced—some good ones, too—why it should not be so.

We have received from the Secretary, Mr. John Nichols, the premium list of the 27th annual fair of the N. C. Agricultural Society, which will be held at Raleigh October 18th to 21st, 1887. Among other things we notice that a premium of \$40 is offered for the largest yield of cotton from five acres, and for the best bale of \$30; for the largest yield of hay from one acre, \$30. Equally liberal premiums are offered on wheat, oats, corn, peas, tobacco, &c., the total amount of premiums being over \$4,000. Premium lists may be had by applying to the Secretary.

The senior editor returned on Tuesday from a brief visit to Troy, Montgomery county. He reports the crops fairly promising all along the route, better in our county than beyond. The cotton in the "Fork" region of this county especially fine. Of the many good features of our sister town, its purely cold water was the best for such a day as was last Monday when Covington's thermometer registered at least 100 degrees at about the hour of 2 p. m. They have a good paper in Troy and their greatest want now is a first class court house, which the people must have sooner or later, although the proposition for levying a tax to build one was recently voted down.

The Charlotte Chronicle tells a sad story of the death by burning of a little girl, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Erwin, of York county, S. C., on Friday last. The little girl, about eight years old, was playing alone in a room with her doll. Her mother had been ironing in the room, and a few coals of fire were left in the fire place. The child attempted to kindle the fire by pouring kerosene oil on the coals, and as the oil ignited and blazed up she was completely enveloped in the flame. She was so badly burned that she lived but a short time, and did not become sufficiently conscious to speak to her agonized parents before she died.

PERSONAL. BUSINESS is dull and the life of the premises must be revived. Therefore the "lively character" is requested to call and again adorn the railing with his feet for such time as he shall deem proper. Refreshments convenient.

A Light Sentence.

We learn from the Charlotte Chronicle that, at the term of the Federal Court held in Charlotte last week, Joseph Melton, the boy charged with robbing the mails while in the discharge of his duty as carrier between Bostick's Mills and Mt. Gilead, was found guilty and sentenced to three months imprisonment in jail.

A Big Catch.

Most of the water having been drawn from the Wiley Dawkins pond the night previous, Mr. S. W. Steele and several others went out on Monday morning and seined the pond. By noon they had caught about a flour barrel full of very fine perch and trout, some of the latter weighing as much as 6½ pounds. Nearly as many more fish were caught in the afternoon.

Got His Diploma.

Mr. Thomas C. Guthrie returned home on Saturday last from Vanderbilt University, having just completed a course in the law department of that institution. Tom stood a most creditable examination, and we felt sure he would, and comes back with a mind well stored with the principles of law. He will apply to the Supreme Court at its next session for license to practice in this State, and will then "hang out his shingle" for a share of the public's legal business, of which we hope he will get a liberal portion.

Keeping Premises Clean.

Our citizens need to be reminded that one cleaning up will not last a season. Eternal vigilance is the price of health as well as of liberty. Private premises and public lots should be thoroughly overhauled at least once a week from now until the summer ends. Lime should be freely used—it is inexpensive—or in the case of citizens who are not able to buy it, sand or dry earth should be substituted for it. Dry, clean dirt is an excellent disinfectant. No foul odors should be permitted to rise from any part of a lot. The citizen who by careful attention to his premises keeps these down, is protecting not only his own health and that of his family but also the health of his neighbors. He who refuses to abate a known nuisance on his premises is a public enemy.

The Farmers' Alliance.

The Laurinburg Exchange of last week says:

"Last Saturday Mr. W. T. Sealy, formerly of Robeson county, N. C., but now of Texas, addressed the farmers on matters pertaining to their interests, and, after making a very practical speech in their behalf and giving some statistics of the above order, of which he said there were 250,000 members alone in Texas, he proceeded to organize a lodge which consisted of 43 charter members. He proposes to organize lodges at each prominent place in the county and then organize a County Alliance of these different lodges at Rockingham. The Alliance started in a county in Texas several years ago and then became a State Alliance, then an Alliance embracing all the cotton belt. Farmers, laborers, mechanics, country school teachers and preachers only are admitted to membership."

Without knowing anything of the merits or demerits of the Farmers' Alliance, we would advise our farmers to let it alone and organize clubs similar to the Mountain Creek Farmers' Club, which is doing more good for the farmers of that section than all the Alliances in Texas will or can ever do them; and there are no initiation fees and quarterly dues to be sent off to a Supreme Alliance somewhere up North to keep a lot of lazy officials in bread and meat.

The Assessment of the Carolina Central.

The Board of Appraisers and Assessors of the Carolina Central R. R. met in Wilmington last week for the purpose of appraising and assessing the property of the railroad company, under recent enactment of the State Legislature. From the Wilmington Star we get the following proceedings of the Board, which was composed of the following named gentlemen, representing the counties through which the road runs: H. A. Bagg, New Hanover county; M. C. Guthrie, Brunswick; W. J. Parker, Bladen; D. B. High, Columbus; J. L. McLean, Robeson; Peter McRae, Richmond; H. W. Ledbetter, Anson; W. A. Austin, Union; T. L. Vail, Mecklenburg; Caleb Motz, Lincoln; Jacob Kiser, Gaston; J. T. Bostick, Cleveland; A. L. Rucker, Rutherford.

The railroad was represented by Maj. J. C. Winder, General Manager of the Seaboard system, and Col. L. C. Jones, Superintendent of the Carolina Central, and by Hon. C. M. Stedman and Mr. John D. Shaw, of Richmond county, as attorneys. The legal interests of Robeson were watched by Mr. T. A. McNeill, of Lumberton, and Mr. James A. Lockhart, of Wadesboro, attended to the interests of Anson, while Hon. D. L. Russell appeared as counsel for New Hanover county.

It was found by the Board that the entire length of the Carolina Central Railroad is 264 miles and 2,905 feet. The track was assessed at \$1,000,000 and the rolling stock at \$200,000.

There are 32 miles and 3,592 feet of the road in Richmond county, and the proportion of the assessment, as above, is \$4,536 per mile. Send us your orders for job work.

"Honor to Whom Honor is Due."

Correspondence of THE ROCKET. One of the greatest faults of North Carolina is, and has been, the failure of her citizens to utilize the many advantages which soil and climate have placed within her reach. Hundreds of small things might be put to good use, and in the aggregate make valuable acquisitions, which are allowed to "waste their sweetness on the desert air." "Many a little makes a muckle" is an old Scotch proverb which we seem to ignore. In many places less favored than our State fortunes are made by saving little things.

When, therefore, we see among us a man, or set of men, who have set our people a good example, praise should be bestowed. As a case in point, we will chronicle the praiseworthy example of our "city fathers." By their careful protection out sidewalks and some of our streets are now clothed with luxuriant plants. In some localities fears might be entertained that this luxuriant growth might produce malaria, but not so in our healthful village.

We will enumerate some few of the more prominent plants under care, viz: Phytolacca decandria, worth, in the Charlotte market, four cents per pound, eighty dollars per ton. Anthemis nobilis, price not quoted. Datura stramonium, three cents per pound for the seed, sixty dollars per ton. Chenopodium anthelminticum, worth two and half cents per pound, or forty-five dollars per ton.

This last named plant is extensively grown and is probably more intrinsically valuable than any under culture. From the great number of children in our village, we presume there is, or will be, a large local demand for this invaluable medicinal herb. There are many other plants which we have not enumerated, and among them, no doubt, are some of rare medicinal virtues. The weather now is favorable for the harvest, and it is reasonable to conclude the enterprise will prove remunerative.

M. E. DICK. Rockingham, N. C., June 20th.

Sunday-School Mass-Meeting.

Our Sunday-school mass-meeting will be held at Green Lake church on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in July. A full attendance of all our Sunday-school workers is expected. Superintendents and teachers will prepare to make reports of all facts in connection with their departments of work. Dinner will be on the grounds. Our Presiding Elder, Rev. S. D. Adams, and other able speakers will address the meeting. Our Quarterly Conference will be held same day. Will all our official brethren please take notice and be sure to attend? F. L. TOWNSEND, P. C.

P. S.—The mass-meeting opens at 9:30 o'clock.

Prof. Bingham has resigned the chair of Latin and French at Davidson College. Prof. Graves has been elected to his position. Prof. Gonzales Lodge, D. D., will occupy the chair of Greek and German for next year.

Those Bargains I have been offering in millinery and notions are fast moving off my goods. Those who need a hat or anything in my line will save money by calling at once. MRS. SUE P. SANDFORD.

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ROCKINGHAM MARKET.

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