

Rockingham Rocket.

THURSDAY, JAN. 19, 1888.

Church Directory.

METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. M. L. Wood, Pastor.—Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M., and at 7:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Sabbath-school at 3:30 P. M.
BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. NEEDHAM R. 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.

THE MAILS.

Postoffice opens at 7 o'clock A. M. Mails going East and West on C. C. Railroad close at 8 P. M. Money order department open from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
P. W. STANSELL, Postmaster.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

R. W. KNIGHT, LOCAL EDITOR.

Have you learned to write it 1888 yet?

Several of the streets are badly in need of work.

"Leap 'ere," said the mud hole to the dainty miss.

It begins to look as if we shall have some winter, after all.

The February term of the Superior Court for this county will begin on Monday, the 13th.

Mr. R. T. Hailley, after a three weeks' visit to relatives in this vicinity, left for his home in Marshall, Texas, on Monday night last.

Messrs. Ledbetter-Bros. have opened out a stock of groceries and farm supplies in the store formerly occupied by Mr. H. C. Dockery, and are now ready for business. Look out for their advt. next week.

Mr. John Lowe has retired from the Wadesboro Messenger and Mr. Jas. G. Boylin is now sole proprietor. Gen. C. A. Battle continues as editor, and a forcible and clear-headed writer he is, too.

The Central Express, published at Sanford, N. C., comes to us enlarged and sparkling with good editorial matter. It is a credit to Moore county, more particularly to its thriving town at the crossing of the railroads.

Mr. M. A. Underwood, of Stanly county, a gentleman of considerable experience in the newspaper business, has accepted a position on the Monroe Enquirer-Express, and will assist the editor in making that already good paper better.

Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt by several persons in this town on Thursday last, one about six o'clock and the other about ten o'clock A. M. The last one was very perceptible and rattled the windows quite distinctly in this office. Shocks were felt at various points in the Southern States, but no damage is reported from anywhere.

Mrs. Martha C. Whitney, mother of Miss Mittie E. Whitney and sister of Dr. Wm. Carroll, died at her home in Chuckatuck, Nansemond county, Va., on the 7th inst. She was in her 64th year. Miss Whitney, assistant teacher in Dr. Carroll's school at this place, was called to Virginia by the sad intelligence. She is expected next Saturday and will resume her duties in school next week.

A good man, a really excellent man, when asked to pay his subscription, said: "I didn't expect to pay. I only wanted to encourage the thing." If the paper has benefited him or his family we are satisfied, but many such friends would ruin us.—Wadesboro Messenger.

That reminds us of a joke on a newly-imported son of Erin who went to a blacksmith to have the hoofs taken off his horse. "Why, sir," said the blacksmith, "what do you mean? Do you want to ruin your horse?" "No, begorra," said Pat, "I'm goin' to run a race wid' 'im and I want to take off 'is shoes so he can run fast." Such subscribers as the above don't see that they are simply pulling down their paper by such "encouragement." And unfortunately there are many such.

Sudden Death.

We regret to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Hannah Gibson, of Marlboro county, S. C., on Wednesday last, 11th inst. She was visiting Mrs. Lizzie Gibson, at Gibson's Station, this county, and was stricken with paralysis on Wednesday morning and died a few hours later. She was the relict of the late James Gibson, Esq.

The new boiler for Great Falls factory has been received and placed in position, and the Mill resumed operations on Monday last. The new boiler is 45-horse power—larger by 20-horse power than the old one—and to this the managers propose to attach an engine with which to run a portion of the machinery during the dry season when there is a scarcity of water. With its new equipments, Great Falls will enjoy its prosperity of former days.

More Light Wanted.

We have heard complaint made that there are no lamps on the street from about opposite Mr. C. M. Covington's residence to the town limit. The street along there is thickly settled with a class of people, principally, who need light more than any other citizens of the town from the fact that, being operatives in the mill, they have to go to work before it is light in the morning and do not return in the evening until after dark. In cloudy, bad weather it is difficult to get along, and the town authorities should give them light.

The Township Committees.

We have been requested to publish the names of the persons who compose the different Township Executive Committees of the county. We have searched our files carefully and failed to find any record of the election of such committees either in 1884 or 1886, except for Rockingham township. The committee for this township, elected in 1886 to serve for two years, is as follows: R. L. Steele, Chairman. D. Stewart, R. L. Nichols, W. C. Hicks, Geo. Warburton.

Of course if such township committees do exist, and the members thereof know of the fact, they should not fail to meet here on the 13th of February for the purpose of electing a chairman for the county committee. But, in the absence of such township committees, we presume, that the duty of electing a new chairman will devolve on the present County Executive Committee, which is composed of the following gentlemen, elected in October, 1886, to serve for two years: W. F. Brookshire, J. M. Hines, W. W. Graham, D. Stewart, W. E. Crosland, W. D. Townsend, J. Hargrave, W. C. Patterson, T. J. Wooten.

It would be well if the above committee will meet Mr. Tillett in this town on the day appointed, in case it should be necessary for them to take action in the absence of the township committees.

Young Men, Beware.

Every well-regulated almanac that we have seen proclaims the fact that this is leap year. Any one who is disposed to doubt the assertion may prove it by dividing the figures 1888 by four. There will be no remainder, and this you cannot do in any of the three years which intervene between the leap years—at least you can't do it often.

Whoever inaugurated the custom giving to the fair sex one year in every four to woo whomsoever they will and wed whomsoever they can was wise in his (or her) day and generation—leastwise we presume the girls think so. But the eligible young men don't seem to regard it in that light, and we have heard of some who were casting about for some way to elude the snares which are set for them. To all such we will throw out a few suggestions for what they are worth.

It is the custom, you know, that when a young lady proposes to a young man during leap year he must either accept her or present her with a silk dress. Now, we would not insinuate that any girl would propose to a fellow simply to get the dress, knowing that he would give her the mitten; but it is best to provide against contingencies. How will you do it? Well, there are several ways: If a young lady drives around in a buggy to take you out riding, don't go. You can take it for granted that she has matrimonial designs and it would not be safe to go. Tell her you have the rheumatism, neuralgia and lumbago, and that the doctor said you must stay in the house; and if she proposes to hitch her horse and go in and sit with you a while, set the dog on her and run and lock yourself in your room. If one should happen to catch you out in a defenseless condition, and should bend her melting glances upon and begin to whisper sweet nothings in your ear, turn the subject—that is, the conversation. If she is persistent, ask her how old she is, and why she don't remove the freckles from her face. That will let you out of it, though you will

probably have to do some creditable pedestrian feats to escape the storm which will follow.

We wish the fair sex all success in their matrimonial ventures, and simply throw out these suggestions to a few celibates who don't want, and probably don't deserve wives.

Encourage Your Town Papers.

From one of our exchanges we extract the following, which if lived up to by our people in a community where a newspaper is published would, we are safe in saying, have the happy effect of making better papers in the country. It says: "The way to build up a newspaper and enable it to do something for the town and section in which it is published is for all its readers to take some pride in it and furnish its editor with whatever news you may happen to know. Call at his office and tell him of it or drop him a postal or, if the item or items require it, a letter. Also speak as well, whenever occasion presents itself, of the paper as you can conscientiously do. Don't—as some few do—speak disparagingly of it on all occasions, often times without regard to facts or their conscience. Above all subscribe to your town or county paper and keep your subscription paid up; and if you have a business, that requires notoriety, advertise it in the newspaper. If you are a professional man keep your card in the paper all the year. By advertising in your town paper you get a great many more benefits (which are great) than directly come in increased business—you assist the publishers of the paper to give a better one, and enable them to do more towards developing the resources of the town.

Country Produce is quoted at buying prices: COTTON—Middling, 9-@94 Good Middling, 8-@94 BACON—Sides, per lb., 10-@12 Shoulders, 8-@10 Hams, 15-@16 BEEF—Wax, 16-@16 CHICKENS—per dozen, 12-@13 EGGS—Country, per sack, 2-50-@3-00 Northern, " 2-50-@3-00 Patent, " 2-50-@3-50 GRAIN—Corn, per bushel, 75-@1-00 Oats, " 50-@65 Peas, " 75-@1-05 HIDES—Dry, per lb., 8-@10 Green, " 4-@5 SALT, per sack, 1-00-@1-20

The Methodist Advance, of the 11th inst., contains the card of retirement of its former owners and editors, Rev. Drs. Robey and Bobbit, and the introductory of their successor in its management and editorial control, L. A. Potter Esq. To maintain the paper at its present standard of excellence will demand uncommon gifts in the new editor but, judging from the merit, tone and spirit of his initial announcement, we have assurance of its continued success.

A fine lot of extra bright dried fruit just received at Wishart's.

Fine Lot

of rolled gold plate and solid gold jewelry—all the latest styles in sleeve and collar buttons, studs, scarf pins, breast-pins, necklaces, ear-drops, initial pins, &c., &c., just received at STEWART'S and very low for cash, with a full guarantee as to quality. Call and see them.

ROCKINGHAM MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. I. EVERETT, DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Country Produce is quoted at buying prices: COTTON—Middling, 9-@94 Good Middling, 8-@94 BACON—Sides, per lb., 10-@12 Shoulders, 8-@10 Hams, 15-@16 BEEF—Wax, 16-@16 CHICKENS—per dozen, 12-@13 EGGS—Country, per sack, 2-50-@3-00 Northern, " 2-50-@3-00 Patent, " 2-50-@3-50 GRAIN—Corn, per bushel, 75-@1-00 Oats, " 50-@65 Peas, " 75-@1-05 HIDES—Dry, per lb., 8-@10 Green, " 4-@5 SALT, per sack, 1-00-@1-20

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Superior Court of Richmond county, in the case of Patterson, Adm'r vs. Jowers and others, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder, at the court house door in Rockingham at 1 o'clock P. M., on the 15th day of February, 1888, that tract of land lying in the counties of Richmond and Robeson, between Shoe, Heel and Lumber River, on both sides of the road leading from Rocky Ford to Lumberton, being the same described in a mortgage executed by John Jowers to Gilbert Patterson, Adm'r, and registered in the Register's office in Richmond county in Book BB, pages 525 and 526, to which reference may be had. CHAS. W. TILLET, Commissioner. This 7th January, 1888.

NOTICE!

1,800 Acres Valuable TIMBER AND Turpentine Lands FOR SALE. By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Richmond County, the undersigned will sell at public outcry at Hoffman, a Station on the Raleigh & Augusta Air-Line Railroad, on TUESDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1888, at 12 o'clock, M., Eighteen Hundred Acres of Land, situated in said county, three and a half miles from the Railroad, and five miles from Hoffman. This land is well timbered, and from six hundred to a thousand acres of it have never been boxed, and it is, therefore, a splendid opportunity for turpentine men. The timber upon it, and its proximity to the railroad, make it a fine location for a saw mill. There are also some valuable farming lands on the creek bottoms—a one-horse farm in cultivation, with suitable buildings, &c. The land is composed of a large number of small tracts, and can be sold in large or small bodies, to suit the purchasers. TERMS OF SALE: One-fourth of purchase money cash, one-fourth in three months, and the balance in six months. The purchasers to give note, with approved security, for deferred payments, and title reserved until purchase money is paid in full. Possession given immediately. For further particulars apply or write to the undersigned at Old Hundred, N. C. M. D. McNEILL, Commissioner. January 13, 1888.

Notice.

THE UNDERSIGNED having this day qualified as executor of the last Will and Testament of James H. Covington, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against his estate to present them to us, duly authenticated, as the law requires, on or before the 15th day of January, 1889, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment. W. T. COVINGTON, J. E. COVINGTON, Executors of J. H. Covington, dec'd. Jan. 9, 1888. COLE & McNEILL, Attorneys.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

I WILL SELL to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door in the town of Rockingham on Monday, the 13th day of February, 1888, two Lots in the town of Laurinburg, levied on as the property of George Leak, colored, to satisfy an execution in my hands from the Superior Court of Richmond county in favor of McCaskill & McClean, plaintiffs, vs. George Leak, colored defendant. J. M. SMITH, Sheriff Richmond County, January 10, 1888.

Notice.

A meeting of the Democratic Township Executive Committee, composed of five from each township in the county, is hereby called at the court house in Rockingham on Wednesday, 5th day of February, 1888, to receive the resignation of the undersigned as Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of the county, to elect a successor in his stead and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting. This 3rd day of January, 1888. CHAS. W. TILLET, Chm'n Dem. Ex. Com. of Richmond County.

The Louisiana Democrats.

The Democrats of Louisiana held their State Convention last week, and, after nominating a full State ticket, incorporated in their platform the following endorsement of the present Administration: We endorse the administration of Grover Cleveland, and believe that the interests of the Union will be best subserved by his re-election.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED. To give BROWN—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy gratis to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address. Respectfully, T. A. SLOCUM, M. D., 121 Pearl St., New York.

New Advertisements.

Ellerbe Springs.

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Will open again Jan. 9th, 1888. Considering the fact that both the Principal and Assistant in Music are regular graduates of College, this is the cheapest convenient school. Board from \$4.00 to \$8.00 per month. Tuition, \$7.50, \$10, \$12.50 and \$15 per session. Music, \$15 to \$18 per session. Prompt attendance at opening of session advantageous to pupil, parent and teacher. THOS. C. BROOKS, Ph. B., Prin. Mrs. M. C. McASKILL, Music.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

130 Acres of Land and Public Ferry ON PEE DEE RIVER.

By virtue of the powers of sale contained in one mortgage deed executed by W. A. Smith and wife, and duly recorded in "Book NN," pages 131 and 132, the undersigned mortgagee will, on Saturday, 4th day of February, 1888, at court house door in town of Rockingham, N. C., sell at public auction for cash, the lands described in said mortgage, and also the franchise of "Smith's Ferry;" to satisfy said mortgage, default having been made in payment of same. For a perfect description of said lands and public ferry, reference is hereby made to said mortgage, recorded as aforesaid. JAS. T. LeGRAND, mortgagee. This 2nd Jan. 1888.

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

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The latest styles of Prints, Flannels, Dress Goods and Notions now being received and in for the Christmas Holidays; also a full assortment of Confectioneries, Groceries, &c., all of which are fresh and bought as low as cash can buy them, and will be sold accordingly.

Hats, Clothing, Shoes,

Rubbers, &c., at prices never before known in Rockingham. Hardware, Crockery and Tinware, Wooden ware, Stoves, Stove-fixtures Furniture and Mattresses constantly on hand at extremely low prices, and almost anything you want for cash or barter. Highest prices paid for Furs, Hides, Tallow, Beeswax, Rags, and all kinds of country produce. 30-4t A. P. STEWART.

Notice.

BY VIRTUE of the powers contained in a mortgage deed executed by John McNeill to Daniel McNeill on the 4th day of March, 1885, and duly recorded in Book "PF," Register's office of Richmond county, pages 123, 135 and 125, conveying two certain parcels or tracts of land situate in Laurel Hill township, county aforesaid, one of 100 acres and one of 98 acres, as security for the payment of a certain sum of money then mentioned, default having been made in the payment of said sum of money according to the terms of said mortgage, I will sell said two tracts or parcels of land described in said mortgage to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in the town of Rockingham, N. C., on the 25th day of January, 1888. DANIEL McNEILL, Mortgagee. Jan. 20, 1888. By Cole & McNeill, Attys.

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Christmas Has Come and Gone,

And this leaves us with a broken stock in many lines of goods. The Dress Goods we have had a sale such as we never have had during our mercantile experience, and of course this leaves us with a broken stock. Now to get rid of this broken line we will, for SPOT CASH, close this line out at such a price as will more than pay the balance of the pieces. Many of them are all-wool, double-wide. Call and examine them. The fact anything we have we propose to close out at a price that will move them in time for Spring purchases. We are Agents for the

Pine Wool Carpet's,

which is durable and healthful and made from long-leaf pine straw, and is the most comfortable carpet you can use, and it is cheap.

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