

Rockingham Rocket

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 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.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. N. E. Dredman, Pastor. Services every Sabbath at 11 A. M., and at 7:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

THE RAILS. Postoffice opens at 7 o'clock A. M. Mails going East and West on G. C. Railroad close at 8 P. M.

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

FOR THE CAMPAIGN.

This is an important year in politics, and every man in the county should keep posted on the important questions of the day.

We want to largely increase our subscription list within the next 30 days. We ought to have a thousand new subscribers during the campaign.

We will send THE ROCKET during the campaign (until Nov. 15th) for Sixty-five Cents, Cash, and we want the subscribers. Send them along.

Married, on the 8th inst., by Rev. J. J. Grigg, at Midway village, Mr. Archibald Stowe to Miss Flora Webb.

Mr. W. W. Napier has finished painting his dwelling on Randolph street. It presents a very pretty appearance.

From May 1st next the Advertising Agency of J. H. Bates may be addressed at 38 Park Row, N. Y., instead of 41.

Mr. Waverly Ussery, whose arm was so badly shot by the accidental discharge of a gun, is getting well rapidly, we are glad to say.

Don't forget the convention next Saturday to nominate officers for the town. Let there be a full turnout and a good ticket nominated.

Mr. Ed Nichols returned last week from a visit to Florida, bringing with him curiosities in the shape of rare mosses, ferns and a live alligator.

Mr. Giles Wishart is now ready to serve the public with nice soda water. He says he is the champion gas squiter; try him. Only a nickle a glass.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Mary C. McNeill and Mr. Jasper L. Memory, at Spring Hill Baptist church, in this county, May 9th 1888. The editor thanks for remembrance.

Last Wednesday some of the cows on the driving wheel of Great Falls factory were broken, and the accident caused a delay of nearly a day. The wheel was remedied and work went on as usual.

There will be a musical concert given at the Watson Hall to-night, for the benefit of the choir of the colored church. A very interesting programme, entirely of sacred music, has been arranged.

Mr. M. H. Russell "got that" and has come back. He is now receiving a large lot of summer goods of the finest variety at low prices for cash. He advertises them in this issue and will tell you more about his bargains through THE ROCKET in a few days.

Don't forget to attend your township convention next Saturday, and don't forget the time—4 o'clock P. M. It is important that the primaries should be well attended, for there the work of organization must begin. If you want honest government and low taxes you must send good men to the convention and they will nominate good officers. The Democratic party can again win Richmond county this year if it will begin in time and begin right.

"He that hideth hate with lying lips and he that uttereth a slander is a fool."

"Speak not in the ears of a fool; for he will despise the wisdom of thy words."

"Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit."

A large lot of country hams for sale at Wishart's.

Mr. Will Steele says he found a nest which contained six or seven eggs and some kittens; and he knows that one of his hens was laying, but he does not know whether the hen laid the cats or a cat laid the eggs. We suppose it is joint property of a cat and a hen.

Our thanks are due to the President and Treasurer, for a complimentary certificate of membership in the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly which will hold its annual session this year at the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead City, N. C., from June 13th to 29th.

Mr. W. D. McRae has received his stock of spring and summer goods, and is ready to serve his customers with anything in the dry goods line. His stock of dress goods, notions, trimmings, hats, shoes, etc., is very attractive, and cheap. Look out for his advt. next week.

A tract of land embracing eighteen hundred acres, situated on the Raleigh & Augusta railroad, about four miles from Hoffman, was sold at auction at the court house door here last Saturday to the highest cash bidder. Mr. H. S. Ledbetter became purchaser at the price of eleven hundred dollars.

The Grand Jury of Meore County Superior Court have brought in a true bill of indictment against Mr. St. Clair, editor of the Sanford Express, for libeling on Judge Phillips. The charge is based on an article published in the Express some weeks ago which made grave charges against the Judge.

By request of H. S. Ledbetter, chairman of the executive committee, we state that the Democratic town convention, called to meet at the court house on Saturday afternoon next at 4 o'clock, will not transact its business earlier than 5 o'clock, so as to afford ample opportunity for a general attendance of citizens.

An editor works 365 days getting out 52 issues of a paper; that is labor. Once in a while somebody pays him for a year's subscription; that is capital. And once in a while some son-of-a-gun of a dead-beat takes the paper for a year or two and then without paying for it orders the postmaster to send it back, or skips the country; that is anarchy. But justice later on will overtake the last mentioned creatures, for there is a place where they will get their just deserts; that's—well, it's an uncomfortably hot location when the fire is kept well stirred up.—Ex.

The local editor returned Tuesday at noon from a trip to Troy, Montgomery county. The old town has changed but little in any respect since we first knew it, twelve or fifteen years ago. The spirit of improvement has not taken a hold upon the people, and the same old buildings which have stood the storms for perhaps a generation are still there. A large court house is being erected on the site of the one destroyed by fire some two years ago. It will be larger than the old one and will be quite a creditable building. But of the pleasant people whom we met, the crop prospects along the way, the political outlook, the Great Western Railroad, &c., &c., we will speak next week.

The passengers on the east-bound train on the C. C. Railroad last Monday night were treated to rather a novel religious service. On the train were a large number of delegates returning from the State Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, held in Charlotte last week, and they held a regular prayer on the swiftly moving train. No part of the service was omitted, and a gentleman who was on the train says it was a very impressive occasion. A lady who was in the sleeping car was aroused by the singing, and, accepting what it was, went into the coach and asked every one engaged in the service to place his name in a little book which she had, being so impressed with the novelty of the service as to desire the names as a memento.

Mr. N. A. McQueen, sheriff of Cumberland county, died in Fayetteville on the 20th inst., after a long illness.

Before Congress adjourns, the body should pass a bill to prohibit the printing and sale of indecent and demoralizing newspapers and books. The minds of some of our people are becoming so poisoned by the reading of such stuff that they care for nothing else. They prefer such literature to that which would improve them mentally and morally. It only shows the depraved state of their morals and nature when they read such.

"With O. H. Dockery to lead us in the State, and James G. Blaine in the nation, we are sure of a victory. They both favor protection, and though Blaine has once been defeated, his defeat was better than a victory. They are both good men and true, and are the last hope of this nation. I am a Republican from principle, and a well wisher to the nation. I will sign myself a friend of good government."

The above we picked up on one of the streets of our town. We do not know who it was addressed to, or whether it was written for publication or not, but we publish it just the same. "The last hope of this nation." Then you spoke it, brother. O. H. Dockery and James G. Blaine are your last resort. Blaine was defeated once; he will be easier conquered next time—if nominated. As for Mr. Dockery, if he is put at the head of the Republican ticket in this State, he can—after the election next November—read in the newspapers of how far he missed the gubernatorial seat in the contest.

Baptist Memorial Service.

Last Sunday a large congregation assembled at the Baptist church here to participate in the memorial service held in respect to the late Dr. Matthew T. Yates, who died in the missionary harness at Shanghai, China. A similar service was held throughout the State in the Baptist churches. Our Baptist friends of Rockingham were especially favored in that they had Dr. Wood, of the Methodist church, to deliver an address commemorative of the great missionary who passed so many years among the Chinese. The Methodist pastor knew him intimately, was with him in China, and edified the congregation greatly by a recital of the work done by the lamented Yates. His address was likewise full of valuable information in relation to that wonderful heathen land, and of the progress made by the grand missionary movement in the last few years. By Dr. Wood's estimate no greater missionary had labored in that benighted land than Matthew T. Yates, whose untimely death the whole church, without regard to denominations, mourns sincerely.

Give Us a Rest.

We are sick, tired and disgusted with the course pursued by a few individuals and newspapers in North Carolina who seem to think that the destiny of the State rests upon their shoulders. For weeks they have been using all their wiles and influence to manufacture public sentiment in favor of their chosen candidates for the gubernatorial nomination, and the effect can be nothing less than demoralizing. It is the business and the duty of the State Convention to nominate a candidate for the executive chair, and that assemblage is made up of representative and intelligent men from every section of the State, it is presumed that they are competent to choose a man who will be acceptable to the people.

This much we honestly believe: that it will be suicidal to nominate any chronic office-seeker, or any man who simply wants the office for what there may be of personal honor or profit in it. The occupation of the office-broker and the demagogue is gone in North Carolina; the people have rightfully determined that they shall be represented, and the professional politicians who have heretofore usurped the offices must give place.

No man, whether he be a city editor, a cross-roads lawyer or a ward politician, is authorized to say who the people of his county, or the State, desire for Governor; and yet some presume to do it. Their opinion may be entitled to as much consideration as that of any other individual, but certainly no more. Personal preferences are natural to all of us, but we should at least be modest in our expressions and charitable

to the opinions of others. The Rocket does not propose to nominate a candidate for Governor, nor will it presume to speak for Richmond county, because it does not know the sentiment of the people. We have confidence in the Democratic party, and whomsoever it shall nominate we shall help to elect.

Go in and Win.

Written for The Rocket. The chance for a grand Democratic victory is now before our dear old State. The men to carry the State like a tornado we have in Capt. S. B. Alexander of Mecklenburg, for Governor, and Lieutenant Governor Stedman of New Hanover, for Lieutenant-Governor.

Our own gallant Steele, who would make an excellent Governor, we need to redeem Richmond in the coming election. This depends who has studied the situation closely, feels sure that Alexander and Stedman would carry the State overwhelmingly. D. McN.

The wheat and oat crop in this section is reported as very fine and the prospect cheering. Along the line of the Western North Carolina railroad, from Salisbury to the Blue Ridge, (in Catawba county especially) wheat never looked better this time of year. An intelligent gentleman, who is a large farmer in Iredell county, told us that the prospect is as fine as he ever saw it. We are told that notwithstanding the late freezes and cold spells, there will be plenty of fruit of all kinds.—Charlotte Democrat.

RACEGIRL, N. C., April 22.—Cross and White, the defaulting President and cashier of the State National Bank of this city, confined in jail here for two weeks to await trial, gave bond and were released from jail last night at midnight. The bond was \$15,000 each, and one of White's bondsmen is D. H. Graves, in whose name one of the forgeries for which Cross and White are to be tried, was committed.

"A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

An ancient three-pound cannon bearing the inscription, "Cannon Foundry, No. 533-1775," has been overhauled and will be ready for the grand display at the Guilford Battle Ground, near Greensboro, May 5th. The Workman says that it is about five feet long, in a good state of preservation and in its new spring dress of paint, looks "every inch a gun." The Cannon Foundry is in Scotland, and was established in 1760. It is still operated extensively.

"Father," said the editor's little boy, "is the new Emperor of Germany an editor? I see when he speaks of himself he says 'we.'" "No, my son. That is a word the Emperors have stolen from the editors without proper credit."

Thousands of people are leading unsatisfactory lives, because of the dispiriting effects of indigestion. Let us try Laxador and be happy.

An Explanation.

What is this "nervous trouble" with which so many seem now to be afflicted? If you will remember a few years ago the word Malaria was comparatively unknown—to-day it is as common as any word in the English language, yet this word covers only the meaning of another word used by our forefathers in times past. So it is with nervous diseases, as they and Malaria are intended to cover what our grandfathers called Biliousness, and all are caused by troubles that arise from a diseased condition of the Liver which in performing its functions find it cannot dispose of the bile through the ordinary channel is compelled to pass it off through the system, causing nervous troubles, Malaria, Bilious Fever, etc. You who are suffering can well appreciate a cure. We recommend Green's August Flower. Its cures are marvelous.

MUNICIPAL CONVENTION.

The Democrats of the town of Rockingham are requested to meet in convention at the court house on Saturday, April 28th, 1888, at 5 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for a Mayor and five Commissioners for the town of Rockingham, to serve for the ensuing year; and to transact such other business as may come before the convention. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

H. S. LEDBETTER, Chm'n. Town Ex. Committee.

Turpentine Market. Spirits Turpentine, per gal. 34. Canada Turpentine—Virgin 32.00. Yellow Dip 1.75. Hard 1.75. G. E. Wishart pays same prices as above quotations.

hands with him."—New York Herald.

ROCKINGHAM MARKET. CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. I. EVERETT, DEALER IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE. Country Produce is quoted at buying prices. COTTON—Middling 9.00. Good Middling 8.10. BACON—Sides, per lb. 8.10. Shoulders 8.10. Hams 15.10. BEESWAX 16.10. CHICKENS 12.10. EGGS, per dozen 2.25. FLOUR—Country, per sack 2.25. Northern 2.20. Patent 2.45. GRAIN—Corn, per bushel 75. Oats 50. Peas 75. HIDES—Dry, per lb. 8. Green 4. SALT, per Sack 1.00.

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NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS. ALL PERSONS are hereby warned not to fish in the waters of the old Wiley Dawkins pond. The law will be enforced against all offenders. W. I. EVERETT, President Great Falls Mfg. Co. April 18, 1888.

Administrator's Notice. THE UNDERSIGNED having qualified as Administrator of the estate of John W. Sneed, dec'd, before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond county, hereby notifies all persons holding claims against the estate of said John W. Sneed, dec'd, to present the same, duly authenticated, to the undersigned for payment on or before the 1st of June, 1889, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to his intestate will make immediate payment to the undersigned. W. F. GIBSON, Adm'r of John W. Sneed, dec'd. April 17, 1888.

A GREAT FACT Fall and Winter Dress Goods and Clothing. I desire to close out before time to order my Spring stock, and I intend to do it. I am not asking any profit on these goods, such as you can get elsewhere. I have a quantity of goods that I will sell at a low price. Call and examine and price the goods—don't let the stock bargains slip.

W. D. MORARIE. The latest styles of Prints, Plaids, Dress Goods and Notions now being received and in for the Spring and Summer; also a full assortment of Confectionaries, 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, Bee-wax, Rags, and all kinds of country produce. A. P. STEWART.

Do You Want A Nice Suit of Clothes? A pretty Hat? or A dandy pair of Shoes? DO YOU WANT A Calico? A Gingham? A Seersucker? A Linen? A Lawn, or a FINE DRESS? DO YOU WANT To see the prettiest Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, Ribbons, Laces, &c., you ever saw?

I have these goods in great variety, in the latest fashions, and many more. If you are posted on goods and prices I cannot fail to sell you. A. C. COVINGTON, Roberdel, N. C.

Burwell, Walker & Guthrie, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, Rockingham, N. C. Office opposite the old postoffice.

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EVERYTHING NEW, NEAT AND NOBBY. We take this method of informing you that we have just returned from the North and East where we purchased for the trade the handsomest line of Spring Goods we ever offered, consisting of all the novelties. Every thing is new, neat and nobby in dress goods, and, being there on the spot, we had the advantage of taking choice of immense lines and making such bargains as will give us the advantage of low prices over those who bought earlier in the season. Some high-toned, long-winded concerns say we have to pay for the right to buy goods cheap. In answer to this we say we buy cheap with hard dollars, and knowing where and how to buy we do buy cheaper than those who are not on the spot, and if you do not think we are stating facts come and see if we don't give you prices lower than the same goods can be sold in the State. We bought more than usual because we could buy cheaper than usual. In a few days we will give you in this column a few prices of the different lines. For the present we ask only that you give our stock an inspection; we think you will see something you can use at the prices we name to you. April 24th 1888. M. H. Russell.

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