

Rockingham Rocket.

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 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 B. COLE, Pastor.—Services 1st Sunday and Thursday night preceding at 7:30 P. M.; and 3rd Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Services at Carthage's Creek 1st Sunday in each month at 11 A. M. and Saturday preceding at 2 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. STANSILL, Postmaster.

LOCAL POSTMASTER.

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. THE ROCKET will endeavor to discuss the issues in a concise and conservative way, from a Democratic standpoint, and will keep its readers posted on the general news 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 and we will have them if our present subscribers will help us a little. Will you do it?

We will send THE ROCKET during the campaign (until Nov. 15th) for Only Fifty Cents, Cash, and we want the subscribers. Send them along. No name will be entered without the cash. Remember that.

The sudden rise in mercury is not caused by a Trust.

Dr. Carroll's school will close on Friday next, the 8th.

The Pee Dee mill gave its operatives a holiday last Friday.

The new Methodist church at Roberdel is about completed.

Although the average tramp is far from handsome, he is always a good out-lyin' picture.

"Corrigenda's" communication is crowded out of this issue. It will appear next week.

Although there is a big whiskey Trust, all the saloons display the sign, "No trust here."

Mr. Theodore Weill ran short of beef Saturday and sawed off a part of his thumb. But he "didn't go to do it."

Richmond county is well represented at Raleigh this week. Many who are not delegates went to "see the fun."

Mr. Giles Wishart now has his soda fountain in operation, making three for the town. Surely we may now all keep cool.

Very few country people come to town these days. It is a good sign that they are engaged in a tussel with "General Green."

See new advertisement of Mr. A. C. Covington, at Roberdel. He calls attention to fresh arrivals of goods and to reduced prices.

Mr. Wishart has a small lot of Brazilian flour corn which he will give away in small quantities to persons wishing to try it.

Mrs. David Green died of consumption on the 19th inst., at her home near Dudo, this county. She was about 60 years old.

Died, suddenly, at her home near New Hope church, this county, on the 19th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Hines, wife of Mr. J. A. Hines and daughter of Jno. Reynolds, Esq. Deceased was about 89 years old.

All the merchants have now signified their willingness and purpose to close up every evening at 8 o'clock—Saturdays excepted; and we are requested to say to shoppers that they must make their purchases before that hour, as the rule will be strictly observed.

Gibson's Station High School will close on the 5th of June. Entertainment on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday at 10 A. M. declamations and essays, followed by the literary address by W. L. Parsons, Esq., of Wadesboro. After this dinner will be served in the grove. The public is cordially invited.

The young and old people of Pee Dee Heights are enjoying themselves in an interesting series of singings conducted by Mr. Neill Key, which is held two or three times a week.

Attention! members of the farmers' alliance. J. L. Stone, of Raleigh, N. C., is selling the best and cheapest organs in the country. He has just received \$10,000 worth of the celebrated Emerson Pianos. Send him your orders. See advt.

The famous Rocky River Springs, in Stanly county, will be sold at auction in Albemarle on the 4th of June. The medical properties of these springs are highly commended by physicians, and they have become quite a favorite resort for seekers after health and pleasure.

At a meeting of the Directors of Great Falls Manufacturing Company on Tuesday last it was ordered, on motion, to increase the number of the Board from five to seven, as authorized by the charter. Messrs. Donald McRae and Fred Rheinstein, of Wilmington, were elected to fill the places thus created.

Mark Cole, Esq., should be pardoned if he should now turn in and kill every cat within ten miles of Rockingham. He lost 25 head of sheep in one night recently by the worthless creatures. We hope our town commissioners will levy the tax on dogs which they have under consideration. Perhaps that will thin out their ranks to some extent.

In this issue will be seen an advertisement of Mr. L. Weill's livery business. He is fully equipped for the business with good stock, new and substantial vehicles of various kinds, and his charges are reasonable. One thing he has done for which he will receive the thanks of the public, and that is the establishment of a hack line to the depot. It has long been needed, and we hope it will prove a profitable venture.

Next week will be a lively time in town. On Monday the June term of the Superior Court convenes, and on that day also the County Commissioners will hold their regular meeting and the Magistrates will meet to elect a new Board of Commissioners and to make the tax levy for 1888, and also to elect a county superintendent of public instruction. On Thursday the Methodist conference of the Fayetteville District will meet with the church here and will attract quite a crowd besides the hundred and more preachers and delegates. But Rockingham will manage to entertain them all.

Day Trains on the C. C. Railroad.
It is announced that the Carolina Central Railroad Company will again put on the day passenger and mail trains on that road during the first week in June. The traveling public will hail this news with joy, for there is no denying the fact that the day train is a great convenience to travelers, though the mail arrangement is more satisfactory as it is.

The District Conference.
A card from the Presiding Elder informs us positively that Bishop Key will be present at Conference next week. The opening sermon will be preached on Wednesday night by Rev. Joseph Wheeler, of Fayetteville. The delegates from Rockingham station are: Dr. P. W. Stansill, W. I. Everett, H. C. Wall, J. B. Ledbetter. From Rockingham circuit: W. W. Gibson, W. C. Cole, J. A. Harrington, F. J. Garrett. From Pee Dee Mission: W. H. Norman, W. H. Bobbitt, E. H. Edwards, W. Long.

A Debating Society.
Some of the young men of the town are making an effort to get up a debating society and reading room in Rockingham, and we hope their efforts will meet with success. An informal meeting was held last Saturday night, when it was determined to hold another meeting to-night (Thursday), to which everybody is invited and earnestly requested to be present. The object of the society is the improvement of its members. It is desired to raise a small fund to invest in some good periodicals for the benefit of members of the club, which will meet once a week and discuss current topics. Let there be a full attendance at the meeting to-night, which will be held at Dr. Carroll's school house.

Weill & Co. will have some extra stall-fattened Beef and Mutton at their market next week. Will only be sold for cash, and no other way.

A Shooting Affair.

Tom Leak and Bill Gross, both colored and both doubtless under the influence of liquor, got into a difficulty in Mr. W. D. McRae's store last Saturday night, which ended in the wounding of Gross by Leak. The men were standing within four or five feet of each other, after having had a little hand-to-hand scuffle, when Leak drew the ever-ready pistol and fired at his adversary, the ball striking a rib on the left side and glancing off, making only a slight flesh wound. The pistol was a 32 calibre, and had it been a good one the result might have been fatal. Both negroes left that night and have not since been seen.

A Pleasant Resort.

We know no locality which for natural advantages of water, shade and breezes, surpasses Ellerbe Springs, 12 miles north of this town—at least this side of the mountains. Mr. Joseph Carter, mine host of the eating house, is hard to beat as a caterer and just as accommodating as the season is long. He deserves to be kept awake o' nights and busy all day through the summer by a rush of visitors to the Springs. Another fact in connection with Ellerbe Springs is the fine effects of the water in a few well-marked cases of hay fever, and in trouble from that annoying disease, asthma, several cases of both being known which were greatly benefited. The late Prof. McAskill, an invalid when he came there from the Indian Territory, several years ago, recuperated wonderfully fast from severe pulmonary and asthmatic trouble; and he was accustomed to say that he knew that his life had been prolonged by a residence at the Ellerbe. His death, a few weeks ago, was produced by severe cold resulting in pneumonia. It will be remembered that a few cases of hay-fever, and asthma, were noted by THE ROCKET last summer as having been greatly relieved; not that we claim absolutely a specific in the waters for these ailments, but the facts given were very significant. We hope to see sufferers make a more thorough test of the matter this summer.

Exhibition at Ellerbe Springs.

The closing exercises of Ellerbe Springs Academy came off on Friday last, 25th inst. As usual at this popular place, whenever a public gathering is announced, an immense crowd of the people assembled. It is usual to see large numbers at a political speaking or a picnic, but when the annual school-closing comes, why, from far and near they pour into that delightful grove until it is uncomfortable by reason of the multitude. We have been there before on such occasions, but rarely ever to see so many people out. Prof. T. C. Brooks had trained his scholars with great care, as was evidenced by the proficiency shown in declamation and dramatic exercises. Several prizes were awarded for exceptional merit in studies and in the art of declamation. The one great drawback was in the fact that all the exercises, including the literary addresses, were obliged to be listened to, not heard with any satisfaction, in the open air, for want of a suitable hall. And, thus arranged, confusion and disorder cannot be avoided on any occasion of the kind. The one painful fact of the day was that some persons were, under the influence of liquor, and by their conduct excited the mortification and disgust of the many pleasant people in attendance. Such conduct, on future occasions of the kind, should not be allowed to pass without prompt rebuke on the part of the good people of that section.

"Decoration Day."

The years that have elapsed since the close of the civil war have served to obliterate all sectional feeling, and a united and prosperous nation joins in keeping green the graves of all its beloved dead. It is in this spirit that the publisher of the NEW YORK FAMILY STORY PAPER has had written a thrilling and pathetic romance, peculiarly appropriate to this national holiday, entitled "Faithful Leonore; or, His Grave Kept Green." In the same paper will also be found a weekly installment of the "Life and Adventures of a Showman of P. T. Barnum," written by himself, and equally interesting to the young folks as well as heads of families. These are rare literary treats, and those of our readers who are not already enjoying them will do well to obtain No. 766 of the NEW YORK FAMILY STORY PAPER of their newsdealer or send direct to the publisher, Munro's Publishing House, Nos. 24 and 26 Vandewater Street, New York, and receive the paper 4 months for one dollar, postage free.

Laurinburg Notes and Observations.

Special Correspondence of The Rocket.

This correspondent was unable to note or observe last week but is up and out again.

The young people of our town welcome Miss Patty Ellerbe back to her former place in their society and friendly esteem.

The county fence on the Robeson county line will be completed and inspected next week, ready to be laid before the commissioners for acceptance or rejection.

There seems to be no prospect for the removal of the railroad shops from here in the near future. New engines and cars are in course of construction here now.

Barrels of fine syrup may be found for sale here at 50 cents per gallon, raised on the farms near town. The farmers are encouraged to renew their efforts, and a goodly number of acres have been planted again this season.

P. McRae, Esq., A. F. Bizzell, Capt. W. H. McLaurin and W. H. Neal, Esq., will spend a part of this week in Raleigh looking after the interest of the Democratic party, and right capable servants of the party they have heretofore proved themselves to be.

Fine rains have brought up the backward cotton plants, chopping has been pushed ahead, a fine supply of young grass has shown itself, and, with the maturing small grain crop which is beginning to ripen, the farmers are promised an interesting time for the next four weeks.

Mr. Chas. Duncan, formerly of Pennsylvania, now residing at Old Hundred, has just erected a large steam saw mill near Springfield where the lumber for the new Morgan factory will be sawed. This new enterprise will be run by water power, which is nearly ready for the factory building, of which a more extended report will be made in future.

A Confederate survivors' association is spoken of in our town, and we earnestly hope such an association may be found in every section of our glorious sunny South. It is due to the living as a pleasure and it is due to the fallen heroes and braves of every county that their names be recorded in a memorial record to be kept in the register's office at each county seat.

And now the Radical party must look to the much defunct "Oliver" for its redemption, but "Oliver" can't redeem. He has never redeemed himself from the disgrace of the days of "Holden's Melish," nor from the defeat inflicted upon him, by the Hon. A. M. Waddell; but he will have the bold effrontery to ask North Carolinians to return to the dark days of an exhausted judiciary. North Carolinians have always been competent to take care of their State's interest and they will not be found in the tools of Radical disgrace when the votes are counted out in November.

The entertainment given, on the 19th, at Mason's Cross Academy, at the close of Mr. L. M. Blue's fine school, was just such an entertainment as might be expected of that section whose citizens are no half-hearted people, and entertain as they do everything else, in a wholesome way. Several hundred people assembled to hear the fine speech of Mr. J. D. Shaw, jr., and partake of the bountiful repast served about 1 o'clock. A handsome gold medal was offered by the principal as a reward to the young lady who would write the best original essay. The medal was won by Miss Mattie Mason and presented by Prof. J. F. McKinnon, of the Laurinburg Female Institute, in a very appropriate speech.

Junior Alumni Association.

A meeting of the Junior Alumni of the University of N. C. is hereby called to be held in Chapel Hill during commencement week, June 5th, 6th and 7th, 1888. Our object is to organize a Junior Alumni Association and thereby do something towards preserving from this time on the records of our own day for future generations. The past history of the University is unwritten. Few records have been kept and but little is known of her glory. It is characteristic of North Carolina to forget her great men; so it is with the University. Many of her students now fill soldier's graves, unknown and unremembered because of the supineness of the great majority of ante bellum alumni. Let us inaugurate a new regime.

(Signed) Stephen B. Weeks, class of '86; Claudius Dockery, class of '87; F. M. Harper, class of '83; St. Clair Hester, class of '88; H. W. Lewis, '88.
May 24th, 1888.

Ye local will pay a suitable reward for the return to him of a Brown Leghorn "rooster" which strayed off eight or ten days ago. He is about half grown and has one wing crapped.

Turpentine Market.

Spirits Turpentine, per gal. 33
CRUDE TURPENTINE—Virgin.....\$2 00
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Administrator's Sale of Land.

BY VIRTUE of a judgment of the Superior Court of Richmond County in the case of James M. Covington, Adm'r of Robert Fletcher, dec'd, the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder, at public sale for cash, at the court house door in Rockingham, in said county of Richmond, on Saturday, the 10th day of June, 1888, two lots in said town of Rockingham, adjoining each other, lying on and near Franklin street, between lots of E. P. Covington and W. A. Robbins, subject to the dower of the widow of Robert Fletcher, dec'd.

The above lands will be sold to make assets for the payment of debts of Robert Fletcher, dec'd, and costs of administration, and subject to the dower right of widow.

JAMES M. COVINGTON,
Adm'r of Robt. Fletcher, dec'd.
May 8th, 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 estate will make immediate payment to the undersigned.

W. F. GIBSON, Adm'r of John W. Sneed, dec'd.
April 17, 1888.

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Highest prices paid for Furs, Hides, Tallow, Bones, Rags, and all kinds of country produce.
50-11. A. P. STEWART.

AH, THERE!

This is the time of year when everybody feels kinder bad, "blue," and run-down-at-the-hell generally. The best way in the world to make a man feel good is to let him know that he has made a good trade: Bargains in Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Dress Goods, Notions, &c., are just lying around loose at Wishart's, and those who come first will leave happy.

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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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