

Rockingham Rocket.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 20, 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 8:30 P. M.

THE MAILS.

Postoffice opens at 7 o'clock A. M. Mails going West on C. C. Railroad close at 12:15 P. M.; mails going East close at 2 P. M.

LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

R. W. KNIGHT, LOCAL EDITOR.

County Democratic Ticket.

For Senator, 26th District, JAMES T. LEGRAND.

For House of Representatives, T. J. WOOTEN.

For Sheriff, B. F. LITTLE.

For Register of Deeds, JOHN A. NICHOLSON.

For Surveyor, JOHN A. McNEILL.

For Coroner, DANIEL GAY.

For other locals see 2nd page.

More rain, and the work of destruction to crops goes on.

Mr. J. W. Cole announces himself an independent candidate. Read what he says.

The Republicans of this county will hold their county convention on the 3rd of October.

The county has never had a better ticket than that presented at our mast-head this week. If it is not elected it will be because the Democrats will fail to do their duty.

Judge Fowle and Hon. T. F. Davidson will speak at Rockingham on Friday, Oct. 12th. Let old Richmond show her manhood on that day by giving them a rousing crowd.

The biggest bales of cotton, two in number, that we have heard of were sold by Mr. W. R. McEachern in Laurinburg last Monday. One weighed 965 and the other 815—total, 1,780 pounds.

Messrs. T. L. Seagle & Co., Charlotte, have a large and handsome line of new fall and winter goods and are ready to fill orders from their friends throughout the country. Their new advertisement will appear next week.

Mr. George Thomas brought into our office on Monday two bolls of cotton which are remarkable for the number of locks contained in each boll. The cotton is of the ordinary variety, but one boll contained nine and the other six locks.

Messrs. Alex. Stewart and H. C. Dockery are preparing to build, on the lot on the corner of Washington and Hancock streets, a two-story brick building with two store rooms below and bed rooms above for the use of the Pee Dee House.

Mr. E. A. Oldham, well known to the newspaper fraternity of this State, has our thanks for a copy of the Charleston World, with which paper he is now connected as one of its editorial writers. We wish Mr. Oldham and the bright, newsy World much success.

"Why don't the county commissioners go ahead with the erection of a new court house?" is a question which we frequently hear propounded. They do not do so because they cannot. It will take an act of the Legislature to empower them to issue bonds for the purpose, there being no money in the county treasury.

A correspondent at Roberdel writes under date of the 18th: "Rev. N. B. Cobb baptized five persons at the Roberdel mill on Sunday evening last. — A protracted meeting is in progress at the Methodist church at this place. Rev. Mr. Watson is doing some excellent preaching. Tho' a young man he is one of the most interesting preachers that I ever listened to."

J. B. Britt, Laurinburg, N. C., is a candidate for brigadier, harness, saddlery, and all sad.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville stands adjourned to meet at Elber Springs, Richmond county, on the 10th of October at 12 o'clock.

Says a correspondent of the Chat-ham Record: "Now, Mr. Editor, I am not a preacher nor do I propose to preach, but I am going to prophesy that Colonel Dockery will not get one per cent. of the Baptist vote in the State—they are white men, Colonel!" That's a clincher!

Died, at his residence in this town on Thursday, 13th inst., Capt. John C. Nichols, in the 73rd year of his age. A native of Montgomery county, he had been a resident here since a few years after the war. He had formerly served as one of the commissioners of Montgomery.

The State Fair will begin Oct. 16 and last four days. The management say the list of entries will be fuller than ever, and that there will be the largest show of fine stock ever made in the State. The great Indian ball game will be an interesting feature of the Fair, and the farmers will be entertained by practical talks upon agricultural topics. Railroad fare only one cent a mile.

Mr. Walker, the Prohibition candidate for Governor, spoke in this town on Wednesday of last week, occupying a stand under Cooper's oak. He had a right good crowd, most of whom were in town to attend the Democratic convention which was held in the afternoon, and who listened to Mr. Walker simply because they had nothing else to do just then. We heard a part of the speech. Mr. Walker is a fine orator and presented some strong arguments in favor of temperance, but we failed to see any valid reasons given in support of the Third Party. He roundly berated both the "old parties," characterizing them as the "Democratic-Republican-Whiskey party," as opposed to the great Prohibition party. The speaker had very few sympathizers in the audience and probably did not make a single vote.

The Recent Heavy Rains. The farmers bring in gloomy reports from the crops. The heavy and continued rains beat out a great deal of open cotton which lay upon the ground and rotted, while in many instances the cotton sprouted in the boll. Pee Dee and Little Rivers were very full and all the lowlands along their banks were under water from 12 to 24 hours, and hundreds of bushels of corn were destroyed upon these streams and upon the creeks throughout the county. The total damage in this county will run well up into the thousands of dollars.

Our Baptist Friends.

Rev. N. B. Cobb baptized five persons at Roberdel on last Sunday afternoon. The Baptist church organized by him and Mr. Thompson at that place two months ago now numbers 33 members. They have purchased a lot and have lumber and shingles on the ground to erect a house of worship after the plan of the Baptist church in Rockingham but not quite so large.

The meeting at the Baptist church in this place will be continued through the present week and perhaps through the next. The pastor Mr. Cobb will be aided by Rev. A. W. Price of Laurinburg and other ministers.

Nine persons were received by baptism into the Baptist church at Hamlet as the result of a meeting conducted by Messrs. Thompson and Seago of Anson county.

After the Convention.

The Cleveland and Fowle Club held a meeting in Watson's Hall on the night of the 12th, at which a large number of people from the county at large, having been in attendance on the county convention, were present. By previous arrangement Col. Steele addressed the people. The people sat for one and a half hours under the Col.'s rare eloquence, and all evinced a marked appreciation of the fine address that he gave them. He contrasted the parties in a masterly manner, not forgetting to pay his respects to the Third Party, and discussed the tariff greatly to the edification of his hearers. Col. Steele's ability as a speaker never fails of appreciation anywhere, but especially among his immediate fellow citizens is he esteemed the best. Mr. W. H. Neal followed the Col. in a well arranged speech of twenty minutes after which Mr. LeGrand, in answer to repeated calls, took the floor, and in the occasion with thrilling

eloquence. The day and night of Wednesday may be said to have scored a triumph for the Democracy of old Richmond.

Superior Court Judge Shephard Presiding.

His Honor arrived on the one o'clock train of Monday afternoon last, and proceeded directly from the depot to Watson's Hall, the improvised court house, where he opened court without delay. Mr. Y. C. My-ton being sworn as foreman, and the other jurors taking a similar oath. His Honor delivered his charge. The charge was sufficiently explanatory of the law to impart all needed information as a guide to the jurors in the performance of their high duty as guardians of the public peace, while, for enforcement of counsel touching each juror's duty to ascertain the facts in regard to violations of any known statute, it was unusually specific and, as we decided on hearing it, distinguished. His Honor as a judge who would never fail, not would he have others fail, to get at the bottom of things in regard to any offence against the laws of the land. It was a matter of congratulation with His Honor that not a single capital case was for investigation and trial on the docket of our county.

The Senatorial Convention.

The Convention of the 26th Senatorial District, composed of Montgomery and Richmond counties, met at Little's Mills, in Steele's township of this county, on Saturday last, 16th inst. This being the year for Richmond to make choice of the candidate, the chief representation was from this county, Montgomery sending three delegates in the persons of Dr. R. W. Joyner, Messrs. R. J. Steele and R. M. Rush. Mr. K. G. Chisholm being present from that county, he was on motion received by the convention as a delegate. Mr. Robert L. Steele, of Rockingham township of this county, served the convention as its chosen chairman, and Dr. R. W. Joyner and Mr. H. C. Wall acted as secretaries. By mutual agreement between parties whose names had been mentioned in competition with Mr. LeGrand for the nomination, the said parties withdrew in favor of the latter gentleman. The fact being announced in open convention, Mr. James T. LeGrand, of Rockingham, was, on motion of Mr. N. G. Nicholson, nominated by acclamation with applause. The business being over, an adjournment was made on motion when, before separation, a ten minutes' speech was asked of Mr. H. C. Wall, whose remarks were limited to an appeal to white men to stand shoulder to shoulder, in maintenance of the present system of county government, and in support of Mr. LeGrand as the unanimous choice of the convention.

Another Radical Lie Nailed.

The Republicans have been industriously circulating the report that Mr. W. H. Watkins, of Columbia factory, had declared his intention of voting the Republican ticket. Mr. Watkins' friends did not believe the report, and a gentleman of this town wrote to Mr. J. S. Spencer, of Charlotte, to find out the truth of the matter. Mr. Spencer simply enclosed the card in a letter to Mr. Watkins, and he replied as follows: COLUMBIA FACTORY, N. C., Sept. 14th, 1888.

Mr. T. O. LEAH.

Dear Sir:—The enclosed card has just been received from Mr. Spencer. I am quite busy getting ready to start to New York this morning and will only take time to say that I have always been, am now, and probably always will be a Democrat "after the straightest sect," and am surprised that my loyalty as such should be called in question.

Yours, W. H. WALKER.

That shows how the Republicans lie and use the names of decent white men to give their party respectability.

The Radicals have also been circulating the report that two of the Holts of Alamance county—Messrs. Lawrence and Banks Holt, brothers of Col. Thos. M., the Democratic candidate for Lieut. Governor—had gone over to the enemy. That lie is also nailed by the receipt of a letter by a gentleman in this town. The letter is a private one which we are not at liberty to publish, but it emphatically denies the report.

Mr. John Dobbin, farmer, placed on our table two sweet potatoes weighing, in the aggregate, nearly five pounds. But he forgot to leave them with us.

Mr. B. W. Cobb of the Wilmington Messenger, called to see us on Saturday morning.

How We Imagine it Would Be.

DEAR WALKER, N. C., Sept. 15, 1888.

MY DEAR WALKER:—I am glad to see that you have been down into my county. I call it "my county" because hitherto I have held undisputed sway by virtue of the negro vote; but to be candid, Bro. Walker, I have played "the devil" (excuse the expression, please) with that vote by making war on the Democrats for appointing negroes as office, as I see by the action of a few "smart Alecks" in Black Jack township. They are fools, Bro. Walker; they are getting entirely too intelligent. An educated negro makes a mighty poor Republican, and, between you and me, I am in favor of putting a stop to this public school business. Why, if it goes on much longer the Republican party is everlastingly ruined.

And some of my neighbors up there on the river—these white hat and red bandanna fellows—are out in a card in which they "give me away" as a farmer—members of the Alliance, too, upon which organization I counted for a big vote; but alas, I see now how vain the hope. The Republican campaign, both National and State, has been a succession of mistakes from the very beginning, and I am free to say to you, confidentially, that I'm sick, tired and despondent. Trusts, high Protection and free whiskey are too much for any party to carry, and I am afraid we shall go down under the load.

My canvass has been anything but satisfactory, especially since the joint discussions began. Now, I was opposed to a joint canvass from the first and tried to avoid it, but the infernal (there I go again, but you will excuse me, Bro. Walker, for I am a good Baptist ordinarily,) white hatters forced it upon me and I had to submit. Now, while I was canvassing alone my ignorant auditors "accepted anything that I said and I could attack Fowle about the fraudulent tax bonds, and tell them about Mrs. Cleveland kissing a negro wench and many other things which I cannot use in Fowle's presence because, you know, the charges are really not true, and it is not pleasant to have false statements proved on oneself.

I hope you will prosecute your canvass diligently, my dear Walker, for our only hope now lies in the strength which you will draw from the "d—d white hat and red rag crowd," as my son Victor forcefully but inelegantly calls it. Your abuse of the "two old parties" is all right—pile it on. It won't hurt us, and of course we understand that it is not meant so. What votes you get must come from the intelligent and moral element of the country, and that is all in the old Bourbon party. I despise 'em. But you can get a good sprinkling of votes from them, while you will get none from our party unless some of them fool niggers, who have got to reading entirely too much, cut loose from us. A nigger is good enough in his place, but Cleveland is making fools of them by appointing some of the big black bucks to office, and I am fearful that it will split the vote. The Republican party has been promising them office for a long time but we have taken care never to give them any; and the Democrats have all along professed no love for them, and yet they do more for them than we do.

Now, my dear friend, I have written you fully and confidentially, and I shall rely upon you to help us out. We are in a fearful strait. I trust you will speak at one or two other points in Richmond county and draw off all the white hats you can, and I will try to once more pacify the niggers—confound 'em, if they would let schools and newspapers alone I wouldn't have any trouble with them. The Alliance business I shall have to give up. I can hope for nothing from the farmers.

Hoping to meet you soon, I am Yours very truly,

OLIVER H. DIX.

Will Use Cotton Cloth.

EDITOR ROCKET:—It is the wish of the Pee Dee Alliance that you publish the following in your columns, and request other papers to copy: Resolved, That we, the Pee Dee Alliance, denounce the outrage put upon the cotton farmers by the enormous price of cotton bagging, and that we will use cotton goods instead of bagging. Respectfully, J. H. BALLARD, Sec'y Pee Dee Alliance.

At her home near Green Lake Church, on the 10th of August, ROSE ANN McLEON departed this life, in the 56th year of her age. After a few days of painful illness she fell asleep in Jesus. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. L. Townsend, pastor of her church.

She was a consistent member of the M. E. Church for more than thirty years. She was converted under the ministry of Rev. L. Shell at a revival meeting at Brush Arbor, near Green Lake, when this church was in course of construction, of which she was a lively member until the day of her death.

She stood as one of the good mothers in Israel, both in her church and in the community in which she lived. Truly did she possess these three graces of which the Apostle speaks: Faith, Hope and Charity. She was faithful unto the end; her hope was as an anchor to her soul, both sure and steadfast. She was a cheerful Christian, her presence in the sick room and among the sorrowing always seemed to revive them. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and a kind friend. She leaves six sons and four daughters and a large number of relatives and friends to mourn their loss, her husband having gone to the glory land eight years before.

A FRIEND.

Another child killed by the use of opiate given in the form of Soothing Syrup. Why mothers give their children such deadly poison is surprising when they can relieve the child of its peculiar troubles by using Aker's Baby Syrup. It contains no opium or morphine. Sold by W. M. Fowlkes & Co.

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TO MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

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Yours,

M. H. Russell.

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