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THURSDAY, MAR. 12, 1891.

## LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

The depot at Hamlet will be completed next week.

A negro had his arms cut off in a shingle machine at Alma last week.

Richmond county's jail is empty for the first time in a period of twenty years.

The Rocket has a new cash railway system, one of the most complete we ever saw.

Oak Ridge Institute has had its charter amended and is now organized as a joint stock company.

Mr. Robert Fairly, an aged and respected citizen of lower Richmond, died at his home last Monday.

Mr. E. J. Gill, who has been attending the Dental Department of the University of Maryland, has returned to his home in Laurinburg.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Mack, well known to many citizens of our county, was injured in a railroad wreck last week near Ft. Gaines, Ga.

The Oak Leaf, published at Oak Ridge, says in its last issue that Mr. Geo. Entwistle lost one of his hands in the machinery of Pee Dee factory. We saw him to-day and he still had two.

On the train a few nights ago, the writer saw something strange from New Hanover county. It was a real, live Democratic legislator, the first one from that county in twenty five years.

What would have become of this country, if all the bills introduced in the legislature had been passed? We have the much legislation and before what we do have is tried upon a fair test, it is changed.

Laurinburg's charter has been amended by the Legislature so as to invert the commissioners with power to impeach any town officer for breach of its statutes, also, the public school was incorporated so as to prohibit the sale of liquor within 2 miles.

We are informed that Mrs. M. J. K. McAskill was married yesterday, at Ellerbe Springs, to Mr. T. H. Hart. Mrs. McAskill is one of the best writers in Richmond county, and the best wishes of THE ROCKET are extended to her on this happy occasion.

Mr. Robert Newton was married to Miss Mirtha Newton last Sunday, near Brightsville, S. C. The young couple didn't say anything about it to the old folks, but then it is no harm to marry any way. They are spending their honeymoon with friends in Rockingham.

We saw one of the worst loaded men on record last week: loaded to the muzzle with "bust head" whiskey. You could hear it "alash" inside of him and besides he carried two "bolices" full, which he had to put down at intervals, blow sp' on his hands, and take a new start.

An illicit distillery was captured about eight miles north of Rockingham on Tuesday. A Mr. N. T. Covington seems to have been chief engineer of the affair, who was placed under a \$300 bond, for his appearance at the next term of the Federal court in Charlotte.

Mr. D. T. Hargrove landed in Rockingham last Thursday with a South Carolina darkey, who, it seems was raising corn by the instantaneous process. As Mr. Hargrove was opening the jail yard gate the negro flew and though he was shot at three times, all present say he outran the bullets.

Married, last Tuesday at 12 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's mother, near Laurinburg, by Rev. Chalmers Moore, Mr. J. C. McCallum, of Adel, Ga., to Miss Lucia Blue.

After spending a few days in visiting relatives and friends, the couple will leave for their future home in South Georgia.

Mr. James B. Breeden, one of the wealthiest citizens of Marlboro county, S. C., died at his home near Bennettsville last week. His estate is said to be worth \$200,000. He leaves no children.

Remember Ben Terrell, the Alliance orator, has appointments as follows: Dunn, Saturday, March 14. Rockingham, Monday and Tuesday, March 16 and 17—District Alliance.

Waddaboro, Wednesday, March 13th. Monroe, Thursday, March 19. Speaking to begin promptly at 11 o'clock.

A drummer who had traveled from Maine to Texas, was heard to say a few days ago that a combined portion of Marlboro, Richmond, Marion and Robeson counties was the finest section of country he had seen. He said the people were more prosperous, possessed of more general intelligence and a higher moral tone than any other people under the sun.

But in the face of this fact many of our young men, the very flower of our State, leave annually to seek their fortunes elsewhere.

We are informed that some of the Rockingham people charge that Messrs. A. L. James and D. Z. Hardin, County Commissioners, vote against granting liquor license because of their prejudice against that town. How narrow-minded! They are not that kind of men. But two is not a majority of five. How about the other three?—Laurinburg Exchange.

We have not heard such an idea even hinted by a single citizen of Rockingham, and fully believe we are right when we say that the charge is untrue. Our esteemed contemporary surely wrote the above paragraph under mal-information.

State Sunday School Convention. The Sunday School Convention of North Carolina, which consists of all the schools of all the evangelical denominations, will meet in Fayetteville, N. C., on Tuesday the 24th inst., to continue in session three days. The following persons were elected as delegates at the Richmond County Convention, held 23rd April 1890, to represent the work of this town: J. D. Bundy, Archibald Johnson, L. B. Prince, D. Stewart, H. C. Walk, and the following alternates: T. A. Harrington, H. C. Dockery, Frank McNeil, W. T. Gibson, Peter Cowan.

The other papers of the County are requested to publish this notice on behalf of a good cause, and that delegates and alternates may be reminded of the place and time of the State Convention. A varied and interesting entertainment is being provided for that occasion.

Delegates are requested to send their names to Dr. J. W. McNeil, of Fayetteville, who will provide homes for them.

[COMMUNICATED.] A young gentleman of this place, recently met a young lady whose charming manner captivated him to such a degree, that on her departure he poured forth the feelings of his soul in the following lines:

You've left us, and in your place, A sweet, soft pain of longing comes; A longing to watch your winsome grace, As you brighten other homes. Like a meteor in its flashing course, Or smiling fairy's winged flight, Your radiant presence dazzled us, And left us—in the night. A night, to which no dawn will come, Or moon or starlight quiver, For only you can brighten it, And you have gone forever. May your beauty never leave you, Your voice be ever sweet; May fate select its choicest gifts, And lay them at your feet.

The Pulpit and the Liquor Traffic.

Laurenburg Exchange. In discussing the question of the County Commissioners refusing to grant liquor license in this county, as reported to us, this is the language of a minister on the streets of another town: "I am a temperance man; I believe in temperance; I don't believe, though in interfering with a man's rights to sell what he pleases if he wants to and complies with the law." If this minister hasn't been misunderstood, he had better get his Bible, go to his closet and spend a season in prayer and meditation, until he is fit to enter the sacred desk and preach. We would greatly regret such language coming from any minister, and as this one is of our persuasion, we would like to hope he has been misunderstood.

## MONROE HIGH SCHOOL IN ASHES.

Two Pupils Burned to Death. The United Press report of the sad affair is as follows:

MONROE, N. C., March 4.—Fire was discovered in the Monroe High School this morning at 3.30 o'clock. An alarm was at once sent in, and the students of the school were aroused as soon as possible, but it was too late to save the building and two unfortunate young men, Thomas T. Pemberton, of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Albert Bost, of Bosts Mill, N. C., who perished in the flames. At the first alarm, the young ladies who roomed on the ground floor made their escape. The young men roomed on the third floor, and when the alarm reached them the means of escape was partially cut off and the building filled with smoke and flames. Albert Bost and A. C. Rhodes were in a room together. Albert waked first and, discovering the fire, woke Rhodes. In trying to escape, Albert started for the west entrance, which was in the rear of the building where the fire originated. He was suffocated by smoke, overcome by heat, and went down with the building. Rhodes sought the east entrance, and managed to escape after being severely burned about the neck, and arms. Thos. Pemberton was not seen at all, and his remains were found on the wire springs of his bed, leading to the belief that he did not wake at all. The head, arms and legs of the bodies were burned off, leaving a mass of charred flesh. The building was completely destroyed, together with the school furniture, four pianos and the library. The origin of the fire is not known.

## A Battle in Virginia.

LOUISVILLE, March 9.—A regular pitched battle was fought by a number of desperate men at a place called "Hell's Half Acre" in Virginia, near Cumberland Gap, last evening, with the following casualties: Hugh Johnson, shot through the head and chest and killed outright; Garret Sothern, shot through the bowels and not expected to live; Shelby Gibson, shot through the leg; a bystander named John Owens hit by a stray bullet in the chest. The first two were arrested last October on suspicion of being the men who had shot young Morris Willis, an Englishman. The fight was originated by these men, who sought revenge against those who were witnesses against them.

## An Indiana Tragedy.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 9.—A special to the Sentinel from Balberter, Ind., says: Yesterday John Diescher, a well known hotel keeper of this place, while drunk and mad with jealousy, attacked his wife with a revolver. He shot her in the head, inflicting a serious wound. Another ball struck her corset-stay just over the heart. Diescher then placed the revolver at the back of his three-year old daughter Myrtle, and shot her through the heart, and then shot his cook, Maria Jones, hitting her in the back and inflicting a flesh wound. While the crowd which had quickly gathered in the parlor was attending the wounded, Diescher re-entered and fell dead on the floor, having cut his throat with a case-knife.

## Reciprocity is Free Trade.

Brooklyn Eagle. "If," said Abraham Lincoln, "you should call a sheep's tail a leg, how many legs would a sheep then have?" "Five," unhesitatingly answered the man whom he addressed. "No," rejoined Lincoln, the sheep would only have four legs. Calling a tail a leg would not make it a leg." In the same way calling reciprocity protection and not free trade does not make it protection. Free trade is reciprocity. Reciprocity is free trade. Mr. Blaine is a free trader.

## A Tariff Picture.

From the New York Herald. The short line shows the legitimate republican majority in the house of representatives, while the long line depicts the anti republican majority in the coming house.

## And the tariff did it!

## A Revolution in Cigarette Making.

FAYETTEVILLE, March 7.—J. B. Underwood, of this place, has scored a signal victory in the invention of the only automatic self-feeding cigarette machine in the world, which has just been tested by an expert and found to be capable of making 150,000 cigarettes per day. The machine is a marvel of simplicity, and is destined to revolutionize the cigarette manufacturing world.

## The Farmer's Joy.

The poetry of farming exists chiefly in the mind of him who looks on rather than in the toil itself. There is poetry in the summer scene where the gleam shaven meadow is thickly studded with green cones of hay, and the ox-wagon creaks under the weight of its fragrant load; but it is prose of the baldest sort to the perspiring farmer who is straining every muscle to get in his crop before the shower comes over the hill. It is the dollars in the hay and not its fragrance, that he is thinking about; nor is it any discredit to his common sense that he should be more occupied with the money value involved than with the picturesque-ness of the situation. We must not expect a poem on the golden rod from the man who spends hours of hard work in attempting to exterminate it; nor can we look for from him any expression of admiration for the delay when its presence in his grass means pecuniary loss. To him the thrill cry of the hen hawk conveys but one message, and that is that his chickens are in danger.

The half articulated guttural of the young crow is merely a reminder of the corn pulling and thieving propensities of that bird. The staccato whistle of the woodchuck has no charms for him, for it is a promise that his young apple trees shall be gnawed and a threat that his clover shall be trodden down to make paths for this lumbering freebooter to travel home in. He loves the cuckoo only in times of drought, and sees beauty in the rainbow only when his parched fields have quenched their thirst. His love for the robins even can never be unequalled, for do they not peck at his cherries and steal his early peas? The waving of the ripening grain and the rustle of the corn would be pleasanter to see and sweeter to hear were it not for his apprehension that the rust would get into his wheat or early frosts cut short his crop.—Arthur I. Rice in Nature's Realm.

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