

LOCAL NEWS.

Local Passenger Schedule W. N. C. R. R. GOING WEST. No. 50 passes Morganton.....4.01 A. M. No. 52.....4.20 P. M. GOING EAST. No. 51 passes Morganton.....4.22 A. M. No. 53.....3.12 P. M.

You must register or you can't vote. Books open Sept. 25th. —Morganton is crowded with visitors attending the Fife meetings.

—Mr. T. I. Gillam has moved into his new residence on Lenoir street.

—Miss Adelaide and Laura Avery are building a new residence on their property on King street.

—Read the advertisement of the Burke County Fair, and make your preparations to come and bring your people.

—There are no vacant houses in Morganton, and the demand for business and residence buildings cannot be supplied.

—Morganton needs more factories. Those we already have are paying handsomely, and cannot supply the demand for their products.

—Burke County Democratic Convention meets next Saturday week, September 27th. Township meetings next Saturday September 20th.

—Miss Mary Johnson celebrated her thirtieth birthday by giving a party in the Town Hall last Saturday night to fifty of her little friends.

—Rev. C. L. Hoffman, having been called away, requests us to announce that there will be no services at Perkins' school-house next Sunday.

—Some of the Morganton produce dealers cornered the egg and chicken market last Friday and Saturday and sent the prices up from fifty to one hundred per cent.

—Dr. J. R. Anderson and family have moved from their former residence on Union street, and will remain with Mr. W. E. Powe until Dr. Anderson's new residence is completed.

—The registration books will be opened next Thursday, Sept. 25th, and will be kept open for thirty days. You must register or you can't vote, no matter how many times you have registered before.

—The Morganton brass band has been revived. Handsome new instruments have been purchased, and the twelve members of the band are practicing industriously. It is pretty tough on the nerves now, but when they "learn how" we shall expect such music as will fully compensate the town for all the trouble it is having at this writing.

—Don't forget the primary conventions to be held in every township in Burke county next Saturday. Every Democrat who wants a voice in the selection of our county candidates and our member of the House of Representatives should attend. If he does not go out to the township conventions he cannot complain if his name is not nominated next week.

—The Republican Congressional Convention meets in Lenoir today. It is likely that the right Honorable Tyre York will receive the nomination, or as the Republicans of this part of the State, in their inscrutable wisdom, sometimes prefer to call it, will be "endorsed." They will also be expected to give somebody their "endorsement" for the position of Collector of Internal Revenue to succeed the lamented Eaves.

—The infant child of Mr. B. F. Davis came near meeting with a fatal accident one day last week. A servant, who was scrubbing the floor, left a can of concentrated lye on the window sill, and the baby got hold of the can and put it to its mouth. Fortunately none of the lye was swallowed, but the child's mouth was fearfully burned and swollen. Had any of the lye been swallowed the physicians say death would have been almost instantaneous.

—It is proposed by some that in the township conventions held next Saturday ballot boxes be provided where each Democrat present may vote and express his preferences for the various offices and for the member of the Legislature, and that the township votes in the county convention be cast in proportion to the number of votes received by the several candidates. This would seem to be fair, though we do not know how many townships will adopt the plan. We learn that Lower Creek will take a ballot.

—Mr. W. M. Audis has presented THE HERALD with a Hayti yam that is twenty inches in circumference and weighs seven pounds. It is the first potato we ever saw large enough to get a genuine "square meal" out of—that is about six inches each way. Judge Bynum had a five pounder of the same variety on exhibition last week, but he will now have good and "grabbable" his patch again or lose all chance of getting into the Farmers' Alliance as the champion potato raiser of the county.

—The Republican Senatorial Convention of the thirty-sixth district, met in Bakersville last Saturday and nominated Moses Harshaw, of Caldwell and G. M. Ray, of Yancey for the Senate. There was a strong faction in the convention who were in favor of Prichard, of Elk Park, but they were unable to get their man in. Harshaw is a brother of Col. J. J. Harshaw, who two years ago was a prominent candidate for Senatorial honors before the Democratic convention of Caldwell

county; and Moses has not been in the Republican party long enough to feel easy.

—The people of Morganton testified their appreciation of the brave conduct of Mr. J. A. Perry in rescuing a number of children from the mad dog last week, in doing which he was bitten on the hand, by raising a purse of \$200 to send him to the Pasteur Institute in New York city for treatment. The money was quickly raised by Rev. T. P. Bonner last Saturday evening, and Mr. Perry took the north-bound train Sunday afternoon for New York. Mr. Perry expects to return in a few days to look after his candidacy for the Sheriff's office before the County Convention, which meets next week.

PERSONAL POINTS.

The Comings and Goings of Some of Our People During the Week.

We regret to learn that Mrs. J. R. Anderson is quite sick.

Evangelist W. P. Fife, wife and children, are at the Hunt House.

Mrs. Earnest Young, of Charlotte, is visiting Miss Louise Wilson.

Mr. P. A. Cummings, of Asheville, has been in Morganton this week.

Rev. H. B. Anderson, and wife, of Wilmington, are visiting Rev. C. M. Anderson.

Mr. Arthur L. Butt, of Charlotte, is here leading the choir at the Fife meetings.

Miss Maggie Motz, of Lincoln, is in Morganton attending the Fife meetings.

Miss Louise Wilson, who has been sick, is, we are glad to know, rapidly convalescing.

Mrs. J. G. Bynum and Mrs. Laura Jones returned last week from a visit to Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. J. L. Anderson has taken a position with the Danville Dry Goods Company, of Danville, Va.

Rev. Jesse Siler, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Shelby, is here this week attending the Fife meetings.

Mr. I. I. Davis returned last Friday from a trip to the northern cities, where he went to buy his fall stock.

Mr. Macon Coffey, of Marion, is visiting the family of his father, Mr. W. E. Coffey, gardener of the Western Asylum.

Ed. Williams, a plucky Morganton boy, who has charge of the Western Union telegraph office at Springfield, Mo., is in town on a visit.

Mr. James Hemphill and wife, of Marion, have been visiting relatives and friends in the county this week and attending the Fife meetings.

Misses Malvina and Lila Richardson, of Lincoln, who are en route to New York, are paying a short visit to their sister, Mrs. C. L. Hoffman, of Morganton.

Rev. C. C. Brothers, of Granite Falls, and Rev. R. S. Abernethy, of Table Rock circuit, are among the visiting ministers who are attending the revival meetings.

Mr. Marvin F. Scaife, of Pittsburgh, Pa., President of the Morganton Land and Improvement Company, spent Monday in Morganton looking after the interests of his company.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Phifer, of Lincoln, moved to their farm at Magnolia, near Morganton last Thursday. Their many friends will give them a warm welcome to the home of Mrs. Phifer's childhood.

Mr. Stanley Charles, who for some months past has had a position with Dickson, Tate and Wilson, left Monday evening for Baltimore, where he goes to accept a position with the well known stationary firm of Dulaney & Co. Mr. Charles has made many friends in Morganton, who wish him success in his new field.

A Big Law Suit.

Last week's Marion Free Lance contains the following news item in which one of Morganton's corporations is interested:

"Considerable excitement has been occasioned in this and adjoining counties over litigation instituted by the Morganton Land and Improvement Company, in which they claim title to seventy thousand acres of land lying in the counties of McDowell, Yancey and Buncombe. Messrs. Sinclair & Haney and J. L. C. Bird, the Marion attorneys of the company, inform us that it is not the intention of their clients to contest the title of the actual residents on their big body of land, and that the Company will give quit claim deeds to all bona fide residents for such lands as they have in possession. From what we can gather from the attorneys the fight will be principally between several big land companies over valuable bodies of outlying timber lands, including nearly all the Black Mountain chain, and that actual settlers are not to be disturbed. The attorneys for the Morganton Land and Improvement Company are confident that they have the oldest and best title, which dates back into the past century, and that they have undoubtedly succeeded in locating their grant."

The First Symptoms of Death.

Tired feeling, dull headache, pains in various parts of the body, sinking at the pit of the stomach, loss of appetite, feverishness, pimples or sores, are all positive evidence of poisoned blood. No matter how it became poisoned it must be purified to avoid death. Dr. Acker's English Blood Elixir has never failed to remove scrofulous or syphilitic poisons. Sold under positive guarantee. For sale by C. S. Kingsmore, Druggist, Morganton, N. C.

HAPPINESS depends very much on the condition of the liver and kidneys. The ills of life make but little impression on those whose digestion is good. You can regulate your liver and kidneys with Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Balm \$1.00 per bottle.

EVANGELIST FIFE.

THOUSANDS FLOCK TO HEAR HIM IN MORGANTON.

The Big Tent Filled at Every Meeting—A Wonderful Spiritual Awakening in Morganton Already Resulting from the Services—Powerful Appeals to Sinners and Lukewarm Church Members by the "Drummer Evangelist."

When evangelist W. P. Fife mounted the platform in the big tabernacle at eleven o'clock last Sunday morning to open his Morganton meetings, he looked upon an audience that numbered nearly two thousand people. Behind him on an elevated platform was the choir of sixty voices that, under the leadership of Mr. Arthur L. Butt, had already sung a number of beautiful selections from Prof. E. O. Excel's "Triumphal Songs." On either side of him were a number of ministers who had come to hear him and to assist with the meetings.

THE FIRST MEETING.

Mr. Fife began his remarks by saying that he was so unwell that he was scarcely able to be out at the stand, but he believed there was a great work for him to do in Morganton, and he prayed God to give him strength to accomplish it. He had heard a great deal about Morganton, and from all he could learn it contained as many cold, dead church members as any town in the State. He understood that the people here, many of them at least, consisted of themselves aristocrats—just a little too proud to associate with ordinary, everyday people; that there were a great many old dancing frauds in the churches, who went to preaching on Sunday and to prayer meeting one day in the week and then went to dances and to card parties the balance of the time. He had heard that there were church members in Morganton who gave progressive euche parties, and who left their families and played billiards and pool until midnight, and that some of them took liquor on the sly, too. He had come here, he said, to cry out against such practices, and he expected to employ plain language and if any of the audience couldn't stand plain talk they had better stay at home. What these Morganton people needed, he remarked, was less starch and order, and more religion, and more grace, and more zeal in the cause of Christ. There were many professing Christians all over this country and here in Morganton, too, who were letting souls all around them go to hell while they were walking about with their high collars on and their coats buttoned up to their chins, trying to keep "decent." We had too much decency. What we needed was a religion that could be brought down to the level of the people, and that would reach down into the mire of sin and pollution to save precious souls.

APPEALING TO CHURCH MEMBERS.

Mr. Fife's remarks at the opening service were addressed to the church members exclusively, and he concluded with an earnest and impressive appeal to them to hold up his hands during the meeting, and to go home not to criticize him and to throw stumbling blocks in the way of sinners who might be benefited by the meetings, but to pray for an outpouring of the grace of God, and for such a revival of religion as Morganton had never seen. Those church members who pledged themselves to work and pray for the success of the meetings, were requested to stand up, and many hundreds of the large audience arose, and upon a call from the Christians to arise, a good number stood up. Mr. Fife greeted them with an earnest "God bless you, brother," or "God bless you, sister," as they rose from their seats.

THE SERVICES.

Since the beginning of the meetings, services have been held regularly at the tabernacle at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., the exercises generally continuing from two hours to two hours and a half. The first half hour of both the morning and evening services is devoted to singing by the choir; then, after a prayer, Mr. Fife addresses the audience for about thirty minutes, the remainder of the exercises being composed of singing, praying, and short exhortations by Mr. Fife. During the latter part of the exercises calls are made for a renewal of pledges on the part of Christians, and for an expression on the part of the unconverted of their desire to flee from the wrath to come, and at such times Mr. Fife is kept busy grasping the hands of the crowds that flock to the stand in response to his proposition. On Monday night, after the congregation had been dismissed, the Christians, who had made up their minds to work for the salvation of sinners, and sinners who were anxious to flee the wrath to come were invited by Mr. Fife to remain. Several hundred remained, and the services which followed, were remarkably impressive and solemn. Fully one hundred people signified their desire to be saved by bowing in prayer, and as they knelt ministers, and laymen, new converts and Christians, grown old in the church, went out among them and talked and prayed with the penitents. On Tuesday and Wednesday morning part of the services consisted of responsive Bible reading. Mr. Fife commenting briefly on each passage after it had been read.

MR. FIFE'S MANNER.

If there is one thing more striking than another about Mr. Fife it is his intense earnestness. A man of fine presence, having a rich, full sympathetic voice, an easy delivery, a wondrous knowledge of the Scriptures, his earnest, fervid manner enchains the attention of his audience and impresses his words upon their

minds, as few men are able to do. Earnestness and simplicity are two great elements of his power. "God says so in the Bible, take God at His word"—this is the warp and woof of his discourses. Those who expected to see the evangelist adopt the tricks of the clown to tickle the audience have been grievously disappointed at Morganton, and here too there has been a marked absence of those offensive personalities in which some of Mr. Fife's critics have accused him of indulging elsewhere. For sin he has scathing denunciation—for the sinner words of kindly sympathy, and gentle pleading. Without making any attempt at oratorical display, he is often eloquent and there is frequently a pathos in his appeals to his hearers that moves hundreds to tears, a subtle magnetism in his manner that puts the vast concourse representing all grades of intellectual advancement almost absolutely under the control of the speaker.

THE RESULTS OF THE MEETING.

The meetings are daily increasing in interest, and nearly every business house in town is closed during the hours of service, and the people going out en masse and the streets being almost wholly deserted. Up to the present thousands of professing Christians have publicly renewed their pledges to Christ, and large numbers have professed conversion. At Tuesday night's service scores of people made a public profession of conversion and at each succeeding meeting the results are greater than before. The services will continue throughout the entire week and will close on next Sunday night. The order has been the best we have ever seen in so large a body of people.

SOME OF MR. FIFE'S SAYINGS.

"When you go out to bring sinners to Christ you will occasionally strike a little pigeon-headed fellow who struts around and says he is a sceptic. Thinks for himself, he says, and don't believe in God and hell. Don't argue with him. Let him talk and then tell him what the Bible says about him. He thinks he is smart, and he don't like to be called a fool." "At a meeting I held not long since I noticed that a minister who was assisting sent more penitents to shake hands with me than anybody else. I wondered what it was he said to them all that produced such an effect, and I inquired of one of them. It was the brother had said to him: 'He replied that the minister had told him if he wanted to be a Christian he should go and shake brother Fife's hand.' This hand shaking has no efficacy in itself. It is only intended as a public confession of Christ."

"This decency and in order" business is a fraud and a snare. Don't be afraid of a little demonstration. It won't hurt anybody. You can go to a political convention and cry out and throw up your hats for your political favorites, and you are not ashamed of it. Why can you not cry out at the name of the Lord Jesus Christ who died on Calvary to save you from death and hell. If the grace of God is in you it will shine out, and you can't help it from shining. "Don't neglect to talk to a sinner about his soul's salvation because you think he is a hard case and beyond hope. I traveled over the State of North Carolina for twelve years, and met every day with ministers and laymen who professed christianity, and as God is my witness, in all those years only one man—one man put his hand on my shoulder and asked me about my soul."

"Good resolutions to lead a better life won't save anybody. You must plant yourself firmly on the solid rock, Christ Jesus, and the better life will follow. No need to fear about that." "Some sinners are always saying they would like to be Christians, but there are so many things to give up. God says nothing about giving up, but the New Testament is full of the word 'receive.' The word believe occurs 606 times in the New Testament and it often means to receive. Believe first, and don't wait till you feel like it. Feeling is not mentioned in the New Testament in this connection. Take God at his word, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and trust him for the 'feeling,' for peace comes only after faith."

"I was known to the boys on the road, with whom I traveled, as a good story teller, and when the day's work was over and we gathered around the blazing fire at night they would always call on me for the latest story. A week or two after I was converted I was thrown with four of the boys, my old friends, on the train, and they said, 'Give us the latest story, Bill.' And then I silently asked God for strength, and I told the boys a new story. I told them the story of the man, Christ Jesus. How he had died to save me, and to save them, and how he had pardoned my sins, and how he would pardon their sins if they came in faith to him, and there, as the train speed on in the darkness, we knelt and prayed and wept together, and, blessed be God, two of those souls were converted to Christ."

"The reason why so many people do not love the Bible more and understand it better is because they do not study it. They skim over a chapter sleepily at night and then slide into bed and forget all about it, and then thank God they are not like other men. God grant that the time may come when there will be no more big pulpits Bibles, and unused family Bibles, but when every man will have his own Bible with the

precious promises of Jesus all marked in it, and carry it with him wherever he goes." "The Sinner who fears he can't hold out should first get something to hold to. When Christ takes you by the hand you will have no fears about holding out." "Some people are Christians, or think they are, until they get time they get to the city they go to Niblo's Garden to see the sights and go to the barroom for a drink, and go the ball, and the card table and the circus because they are away from home where their neighbors can't see them. God pity such contemptible Christians as these. What kind of 'Passes for Christ are they?'" "Pastors sometimes tell me their people are glowing and growing." When you come to sift it down you find that they are willing and tilting. Wiltng in their spiritual growth and in tilting the wine glass, and the billiard cue, and the dice box."

"A Morganton lady said yesterday she thought it was time I was holding up on dancing, and billiards and progressive euche and giving these people a talk on tattling. Surely, now, you Morganton aristocrats are too nice and proper and decent and it ought to go to talking about your neighbors behind their backs. That's not decent, nor orderly, nor aristocratic, and if you are guilty of it you ought to quit it right now. I tell you, whenever the devil has a particularly mean, dirty piece of work to do he gets a long-tongued, tattling woman to do it."

"You ought to love the Bible—you ought to read it and study it and memorize the precious promises it contains. You Morganton people don't read it half enough. You have more starch and high collars, and aristocracy, and less Bible about you than any people I have ever seen."

BUILDING LIME.—A fresh car load just received and for sale at \$1.25 per bbl. Respectfully, DICKSON, TATE & WILSON, aug21-3t.

Blank Warrantee, Deeds, Bonds for Title, Real Estate and Chattel Mortgages and Real Estate Options always for sale at THE HERALD office.

When you are in need of Letter Heads, Bill Heads, Envelopes, Cards, Hand Bills, Posters or any other kind of Printing, give THE HERALD Job Office a trial.

Those Carpets and Rugs that are coming in at I. I. Davis's are the prettiest I ever saw. Call and see them. aug21-tf.

A large line of fine stationery, linen envelopes and note and letter heads, elegant visiting and invitation cards, just received at THE HERALD office. Send in your orders for printing of all kinds.

For Sheriff. I take this method of announcing myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Burke county, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention. Aug. 6-4t. J. A. PERRY.

A Card. I hereby declare myself a republican candidate for the office of Clerk of Superior Court of Burke county. Yours respectfully, RICHARD WILLIAMS.

A Card. I take this method of announcing myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds of Burke County. If elected I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office faithfully in the future as I have tried to do in the past. Sept. 11, 4t. J. W. COOPER.

A Card. To the Voters of Burke County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Burke county, subject to the Democratic Convention, should county officers be nominated. If nominations are not made I am in the field to stay. Respy. July 28, 1890. T. L. HEMPHILL.

A Card. The name of Joseph Earnest Erwin, son of the late Col. Joseph J. Erwin, will be presented to the Burke County Democratic Convention for Clerk of the Superior Court, fully assured that if selected he will discharge the duties of that office with fidelity and to the satisfaction of the people who select him, as his honored father and Grand father did before him. MANY VOTERS.

Announcement. Returning many thanks to my friends for past favors, I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of Superior Court of Burke county, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention. I trust my past record is sufficient guarantee of future performance of official duties. JOHN A. LACEY.

A Card. The business of the office requiring my constant attention, it is impossible for me to get out to see the people and I take this method of announcing myself as a candidate for the office of Superior Clerk of Burke County, subject to the Democratic Convention. I have endeavored to discharge the duties of the office faithfully, and to treat every man fairly. If I have given satisfaction to the people I should be glad to have the endorsement of a nomination at the hands of my party. Respectfully, J. W. HAPPOLDT.

Announcement. It is said that society will regulate itself. The same rule, I think, will hold good in the capacity of men for the different offices. Time, with the wise counsel of good men, if heeded, will set all things right. My many friends all over the county have advised me to offer my services for the office of Treasurer for Burke County. I yield to their advice, and if nominated and elected, every dollar of the county's money that passes through my hands shall be accounted for upon strictly business principles. Respectfully, R. A. COBB.

For Clerk Superior Court. To the Citizens of Burke County: We take pleasure in suggesting the name of W. E. Powe, Esq., for the office of Superior Court Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention. He is eminently qualified to fill this office. He has always voted for and supported the Democratic ticket; has never before been asked a place on the party; but in season and out of season has most faithfully worked for the principles and success of that party. He is no chronic office-seeker and has never before been before the people, but if honored with the nomination, will be elected by a large majority. MANY DEMOCRATS.

A Trip to Mitchell County.

To the Editor of The Herald: In company with Mr. I. T. Avery, whom I might safely say will be our next Senator from Burke, we left Morganton Monday the 8th and arrived at Bakersville the day following, the day that court commenced.

I commenced at once to prosecute my mission, namely to advertise the Burke County Fair and take subscriptions for THE HERALD, and THE HERALD being a favorite paper in that county I had no trouble in getting a good list of subscribers and renewing a number of old ones; and as for our fair, Mitchell county will be well represented, and I would advise our Burke county farmers to spur up or their Mitchell neighbors will take the first premiums from them on apples, potatoes, cabbage, turnips, and won't be far behind on horses and cattle. So boys it is time you were doing about.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

There are two factions in the county. One is composed of the regular republicans, with Luke Banner for leader. The other is composed of the conservative Republicans, the Democrats, and the Alliancemen combined, and with this combination working together we think it safe to say they will be largely in the majority, and will elect their ticket. Col. Sam Blalock is favorably mentioned for the legislature, with a good chance of being elected.

During my stay at Bakersville quite a number of prominent citizens of the county, both Republicans and Democrats, volunteered this information: that Mr. I. T. Avery would carry the solid Democratic vote of Mitchell county and at the same time get a large vote from the republican ranks, many on account of old friendship and personal favors, and others on account of his high moral character and untiring energy in working for his friends.

And, Mr. Editor, we cannot close without mentioning the kind attention received from our friends Messrs I. H. Baily, J. H. Hyams, Pat Abernethy, R. J. Young, and many others our space will not permit us to mention. Respectfully, R. A. COBB.

Beggs' Family Medicines. For blind, itching, or bleeding piles Beggs' German Salve will relieve at once, and in time effect a permanent and lasting cure. It never fails. Price only 25 cents. Sold and warranted by John Tull, Druggist.

Read I. I. Davis's advertisement preparatory to fall and winter buying. aug21-tf.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrators of the estate of Solomon Hoyle, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate will present them for payment on or before the 18th of September, 1890, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate will make payment at once and thereby save costs. I. M. and J. A. HILDEBRAND, Adm'rs of Solomon Hoyle, dec'd. This Sept. 15th, 1890, 6t.

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I am following the old custom,

Selling Off Cheap,

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I am, however, receiving some

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Heavy Wool Jeans,

the "Jeans of our Daddies," from 25 to 60 cts. per yard. Come by all means and buy you a suit of it, as it is the best goods in the world for the price.

I am also getting in a large lot of

NICE CARPETS AND RUGS,

which are now ready for sale, and just as low as New York prices. I buy my Carpets direct from factories.

Beautiful prints as low as 5 cts. per yard. Plaids 5 cts. Domestic 6 cts., the best in town.

Remember, I keep nearly everything and buy nearly every kind of produce, such as Corn, Wheat, Rye, Oats, Chickens, Butter, Eggs, Black Berries, Whortle Berries, Dried Fruit, Peaches, &c., and will always pay you the top of the market. Remember, I always do and mean what I advertise.

Respectfully, I. I. DAVIS.

DICKSON, TATE & WILSON.

OUR SHOES.

We are offering special bargains in Boots and Shoes for the next 30 days in order to make room for the Fall Stock, which will soon begin to come in. We carry the largest line in Morganton, and meet all legitimate competition. Our reputation for honesty and fair dealing is more valued by us than occasional high profits, therefore we always represent our goods just as we believe them to be. You run no risk of getting a pasteboard shoe put off on you at the price of a solid one when you trade with us. We have laid out on

OUR BARGAIN COUNTER

a fine lot of Boots and Shoes which it will pay you to examine.

We take all kinds of Country Produce in exchange, at the highest market prices.

LEGITIMATE BUSINESS,

not "bating" on one article and "biting" on another, but making each article bear a small part of the necessary expenses. We run no "Cheap John" or "Racket" catches. Our goods are bought from first hands as cheap as money can buy them, and with honest goods and honest dealing we hope to continue to deserve the liberal share of patronage which a generous public have heretofore given us.

Respectfully, I. I. DAVIS.