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TIMELY HITS.

Points Scored in a Week's Game of Seek and Find.
-Read new legal advertisement in this issue.
-Some of our merchants have goods to burn—fireworks.
-It has been mud, slippery mud for several days this week.

THE TIDE OF TRAVEL.
People Coming or Going in All Directions--A Record.
-Mr. Geo. Knott is home from Enfield.
-Miss Percy Beasley, of Lyon, was on our streets Tuesday.
-Misses Eva and Annie Cheatham were on our streets Wednesday.
-Col. John C. Tipton, of the Democraat, was in Charlotte Monday.
-Master Henry Bullock, of Hester, called to see the editor Wednesday.
-Mrs. T. W. Jackson returned from a visit to Wilson and Mt. Olive Sunday.
-Messrs. W. S. Gooch and W. T. Green, of Stem, dropped in to see us Tuesday.

OUR CHRISTMAS ADVERTISERS.
Read What They Say to You Through Our Columns.
J. G. HALL, ESQ.
Hall's drug store has been the great emporium for Christmas goods for years. In variety, extent and beautiful assortment of such things John G. Hall ranks a No. 1. He sells all kinds of confections, such as candies, nuts, raisins, oranges, lemons, &c. He has a wonderful lot of toys and his store must look like an earthly paradise to the little girls and boys who have an opportunity to see his huge and varied assortment. He caters to every taste and still holds the fort in his mammoth selection of toys. It is a fastidious taste indeed that he cannot please to a T.

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-Have you read the array of advertisements printed in the PUBLIC LEADER?
-The stores show a great variety of beautiful holiday goods this year and at prices most reasonable.
-There was a regular sea of tobacco in Oxford Tuesday and Wednesday, and our four splendid Warehouses were full to overflowing. We enjoyed shaking the warm hands of many of the yeomanry of our county, as they crowded our streets in large numbers. The sound of the auctioneers were heard almost continuously for two days, and the prices obtained were up to any market in the State on the grades sold. Our warehousemen and buyers are hard to beat and do their best to get and pay the highest prices for all grades of the weed.

-We regret that we are forced to leave our Washington, Kittrell, and Northern Granville correspondence this week. They are good and will appear next week.
-We learn that Mr. J. E. Purger-son, of Mt. Energy, slaughtered 4 hogs that weighed 1,288. Mr. W. B. Royster, of Bullock killed 5 that weighed net 1,345 pounds.
-As December is to be the coldest ever known according to all weather prophets, let every one make preparations and supply themselves with an abundant supply of fuel.
-Supt. Allen, of the Poor House, killed a few days ago 7 pigs which tipped the beam at 1,480. Mr. J. H. Meadows came to the farm with 20 7 1/2 months old that weighed 245 and 217.

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