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BRIEFS CAUGHT ON THE FLY.

THE PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO, LITTLE LOCALS.

Items of Interest Condensed and Boiled Down—The Personals and Brief News Items of a Day.

Stanton A. Tiernan returned to High Point yesterday.

Mr. Charley Mowley the drayman is on the sick list.

T. N. Wood & Co., have a seed advertisement on the first page.

R. L. Walthall returned from Concord last night.

We are sorry to note the illness of Rev. A. H. Whisner. He is expected to be out soon again.

Mr. Chas. R. Propst of Concord who works here returned to Salisbury last night.

Miss Celeste Boyd of Barium Springs, is visiting Miss King Lindsay, of South River.

The Concord company was expected to meet the Salisbury boys last night, but failed to show up.

Read the McCubbins and Gaithers, ad on the fourth page. A resale of valuable property.

Mr. John M. Julian leaves this morning for Raleigh to attend the inauguration.

H. B. Barker, of Woodleaf, was in town yesterday. He subscribed to the Truth-Index before leaving.

Capt. J. F. Spangh expects to take a big hunt this week. He has the dogs for the chase.

R. A. Shrauf has returned from Stanly where he had been hunting foxes. He failed to catch any.

The Odd Fellows, Gordon Lodge, met over the Savings Bank last night. This is a good place for the meetings.

Winona council, No. 18, Jr. O. U. A. M., will hold their weekly meeting over the Savings Bank at 7:30 p. m.

Earl Thompson and Gus Bingham returned from a trip to Greensboro last night.

Miss Blanch Carson of Mt. Vernon returns to her home today after having visited her sister for some time.

Mr. Amosworth Buck is in the city the guest of Mr. A. H. Price. Mr. Buck is a New Yorker and is a son of one of the large stockholders in the Union Copper Mining Company.

Rev. Dr. Guerrant, well remembered here as having conducted a revival at the Presbyterian church about one year ago, is now carrying on a series of meetings in Atlanta. The Journal speaks very highly of him.

From a Dry Town.

Last night, officer M. O. Torrence discovered a young white man lying in the colored waiting room in a darkey's lap. Mr. Torrence went in to retrieve the genuine up to City Hall and enjoy the hospitalities of Salisbury, seeing that he was sadly in need of attention. But just as Mr. Torrence started to escort the visitor to the Free lunch counter of Salisbury, the fellow blurted out: "Please don't take me, I'm from a dry town." And he was from Concord. Mr. Torrence hardly knew how to take this. He had no way of knowing whether the poor fellow was "dragging Salisbury or whether he merely put up the dry town argument as an offset to the accusation of being drunk. And still he might have made this in extenuation of his condition, anyway Mr. Torrence took him, examined him, and found two quart bottles which he had gotten for his friends. This is the only proof he offered that he was from a dry town. Was it a good one?

The latest in perfumes is "Red Carnations," at J. W. Cornelison & Co's Drug Store. 12-11-1m

GERMAN LAST NIGHT.

The Young People did have it Despite Disappointments.

If it were not for the fact that Salisbury has promised a dance in the very near future that will make this one last night pale as an "iridescent dream," we should have something mighty pretty to say of this one. But we shall forego this pleasure this time, and act upon the principle that "fur off cows have long horns"—that the time of times, like the pot of ruppees at the rainbow's base, keep receding, lies ever beyond the present.

And while from the impromptu nature of the affair it couldn't be called the "hour of all ages and foremost in the files of time," the Truth-Index is impelled to believe that few dances of like duration and preparation have ever been surpassed; for certainly, with no amount of premeditation and scouring towns over, can any place in this or any other State claim a population with such a preponderance of personal pulchritude. But then we shall save for tomorrow night.

The dance last night was gracefully led by a connoisseur of all such things, Mr. Warren Klutz, and the following couples and stags were present:

Joe McNeely and Miss Louise Norwood; Clan Evans and Miss Annie Neave; E. I. Frost and Miss Henderson; Mr. Riley and Miss May Boyden; Mr. Berkey and Miss Rowe; Joe Sands and Miss Janie Boyden; Jim Lanier and Miss Louise Neave; Theo. Klutz and Miss Annie Eliza Wyatt. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Woodson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reynolds. Stags: Paul Bernhardt, Gus Bingham, Linn Bernhardt, Paul Bernhardt, Paul Hellig, Dr. Leroy J. Meroney, W. R. Linton and Mr. Higgs, of Raleigh.

Resolution of Respect.

Whereas, We sadly miss from our counsels and labors the familiar form of our beloved co-worker Rev. Gerney Weber, who in the Providence of God, was discharged from his earthly toils, and gathered to his eternal reward on the 18th of Nov., 1900,

And whereas the Pastors Association of Salisbury desires to give permanent testimony to his fidelity, zeal and unselfish character. Therefore, Resolved

1. That we dedicate a page of our minute-book to his memory, attesting his worthy, christian character painstaking and conscientious labors, zeal and devotion to the truest spiritual interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom, and the unsparing activity in the work to which he by the grace of God had been called.

2. That we express our sadness in the loss of our brother from the ranks of this association. His cheerful and liberal helpfulness, general spirit and frank deportment, intelligent perception of great moral questions, and ready acquiescence in our work made him an invaluable member, and endears him to the hearts of all who knew him.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved companion of the deceased, with commendations of Divine love and sympathy in her great loss; and that these resolutions be published in the city papers.

[Signed,]

L. E. Busby, Pres.
M. E. Parrish, Sec.

The best 5-cent cigars at J. W. Cornelison & Co's Drug Store.

SPENCER DRAYING—I haul goods between Salisbury, make two regular trips each day. Leave orders at TRUTH-INDEX office. 1 f Jenkins. 1-5-11.

ROWAN BARBER SHOP.—Hair cut 15c. Burt McNeely has moved his shop to North Main St., opposite court house. Workmanship second to none. Give him a trial. 1-10.

A GOOD SHOWING MADE.

Good prospects for a Splendid education made.

The local reporter visited the Chesnut Hill school yesterday afternoon, and was very much pleased with the reports of the flourishing condition as told by Professor Griffin, the Superintendent. While the institution is only a district school, yet it is very much on the order of the graded school, having a faculty of four teachers and a membership of 282.

Professor Griffin says the average attendance last week was 158. The enrollment before the holidays was 224. There have been an increase of eight. Professor Griffin is an outspoken advocate of compulsory education, and is very much interested in Representative Wright's bill pending the Legislature now upon this subject. Mr. Wright's bill provides the obligatory attendance for three months and Mr. Griffin thinks this is quite mild enough. He gives every good reason for his faith in righteousness of forced attendance upon the schools. There are, Mr. Griffin says, 467 children of school age within the district in which he is teaching. There are only 282 less than half enrolled, and only thirty five per cent attend regularly. That is thirty-five per cent of the whole number of the school children residing in the district. He thinks this can be improved upon. Those aiding Mr. Griffin are, Messrs. Corriher and Francis Tarrh and Miss Koontz. It keeps them all very much employed to handle the large number attending.

VIEWS FROM OHIO.

Salisbury Should Have Street Railways and Free Delivery.

Correspondence to TRUTH INDEX.

No one has been a more interested watcher of Salisbury's progress than the writer. The sewer system, the electric light plant have been long strides toward the modern city. There is lacking yet, better streets, an electric railway system, and free mail delivery. Salisbury needs them. Every live, up-to-date city has them, and Salisbury is unable to have these improvements as any city of her population.

But if these were realities instead of dreams still there would be one thing lacking in the make-up of an ideal city of the 20th century. The greatest question of the present municipal campaign is the saloon question. I am glad that the fight is on, and personally would like to see them go. Simply because we believe it would be the wisest thing Salisbury can ever do for herself and the county. They say the schools cannot exist without the aid of the saloons. How do they know? They say the town will be "dead" if they go. That will depend upon the spirit of the citizens of Salisbury, not the fancies of the saloon element. But we forgot we have no "finger in the pie." However, we have faith in Salisbury's excellent citizens.

In the Columbus asylum for the insane, of this State, there are 70 farmers, 57 laborers, while the highest number from any other occupation is 7. Why is it that those who are in closest touch with nature are the more subject to insanity.

Two weeks late we arise to say the old century has gone. But like Paul, this one thing we should do, "forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before, press on." Although the contrast of North Carolina 100 years ago with the new North State of today is wide, there is still room for development. But these are moves towards a newer North Carolina. We should like to say a word along these lines later. L. W. S. Springfield, O., Jan. 14.

Just Received—The finest and largest line of wall paper ever on the market. Q W Wright. 10-3

1.80 PER CAPITA IS GIVEN.

IS WHAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS GET THIS YEAR.

Proceeding of county board of school directors make the per capita apportionment highest ever known some changes made.

The county of Rowan and the people of Salisbury are to be congratulated upon having such a class of men to engineer school matters as they have now. They have ever had the best interests of the schools, parents and children at heart. As a result, the Graded Schools have departed from the old simple, grammar schools, to institutions worthy the name, and Professor Kizer tells us that the public schools are improving very noticeably. For this, Mr. Kizer has done much. The boards met yesterday, and transacted a big day's work. One of the first important things done was to elect a permanent chairman, and Rev. V. R. Stickle, an excellent man, was chosen. Mr. Stickle is a citizen of China Grove, and is well acquainted with the needs of the county. His natural bent towards matters educational, and his position that of a minister make him a splendid person for the place, for he knows men. Time will justify the wisdom of this choice.

Mr. Janus B. Furr of Atwell Township, was elected in Atwell Township, as a trustee, to fill the place made vacant by Mr. Stickle's promotion. Capt. J. A. Fisher was elected as a trustee in Lock Township, in the stead of Mr. W. T. Sumner who has been removed.

The most important work of the day, was the apportionment of the school money. Last year with the state appropriation, the amount per capita was \$1.75. This year, the apportionment reaches the highest mark ever known.

That those who do not know may understand, we shall explain the manner of the distribution of school taxes. The per capita share of each school child is from the county \$1.50 from state 15 cents. Then on the ninth July last year a rule was made that the funds left over from the various not-aught and unfinished schools, should be distributed among the schools the pro rata being about 15 cents as it now stands. That makes the total \$1.80 as we said the highest rate known. To all teachers of public schools, we desire to say that they will not have to wait until June or July to get the state appropriation this year as they did last. Yesterday, the county treasury received a check for \$15,000, the amount due Rowan, so there will be no wait. This is another evidence of good school management, and teachers along with parents and pupils should be thankful that they are living. The board meets again the second Tuesday of April.

Colored Child Burnt to Death.

A Serious accident happen out to Spencer last week martha Barber (col) whilst she was busy about her house hold duty her three years old child got fire & burnt so bad until it live only a few days; its throat was badly injured. Thos. Brown, Col.

Wall paper, all colors, styles and prices, from 8c to 75c per roll at George W Wright's. 10-3t

Why not put your property in the hands of Maupin Bros. They can rent or sell it for you.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the next General Assembly of North Carolina to amend the Charters described in Chapter 844 of the and Chapter 287 of the private public laws of N C Session of 1899. January 8 1901.

A GENTLEMAN'S EXPERIENCE.

Why Silence is Golden When cards are being Played.

While seated in a North Carolina hotel lobby recently a traveling man was asked by one of a group of card-players to decide some point in the game under discussion. He refused, saying that he would never have anything to say about a game in which he was not actually engaged. When asked his reason for holding aloof from giving advice, he replied:

"I had a little experience in a small settlement in the west some years ago that caused me to make a resolution to let other people's card playing alone, and besides causing me to make that resolution that experience came so near putting a bold-face period to my career that I have had but little for card games since."

"I went to a cattle ranch in one of the western territories for my health, and after riding over the whole face of the earth for about a month, I concluded to visit the settlement about the time the cowboys are paid off, as things had gotten pretty dull and I was wanting to see a little life."

"When I arrived in the town I soon saw that the saloons were the most popular places in the settlement, and as there were many cowboys into get rid of their money gambling was going at a lively rate. As you probably know, there is always a feeling between the professional gamblers and the cowboys on account of the sharp practices of the latter, and in this instance I came near being the victim of this feeling of enmity."

"I had watched the game in the principal dive for some time, in company with the sheriff and several deputies, and after the officers strolled out, my attention was attracted by the regularity with which a young fellow lost to three men at one of the tables. Finally he lost his last money and put up his watch. As he shoved the watch in the pot I saw one of the players slip a card to the other, and he in turn laid down his hand reached for the money. The young man seemed to be in somewhat of a trance as he laid down his cards and prepared to get up from the table. I had become so absorbed in the game that when I saw the man slip the card his accomplice I immediately cried out that the young fellow should take up the money, as to the others were cheating. The instant I spoke the man who was raking in the money drew a pistol and fired. I staggered back and fell under the table and shortly after a number of shots were fired; but I was so overcome that never had a clear idea of what had occurred. When I came to myself the room was deserted and I had a nice scar across the forehead of my head, where a .38 calibre pistol ball had shaved the scalp. The sheriff had started after the three gamblers immediately after the shooting began, but never overtook them. The young man departed next day. He recovered his watch and secured what money was left in the pot when the sharpers left. It appeared that the only thing that saved me was the fact that as the gambler leaned over to draw his pistol his arm struck the table and as he fired immediately his aim was diverted. Had the three men been caught there would doubtless have been work for the coroner the next day."

"This is the reason, gentlemen, that I do not care to express any opinion on the merits of other folks' card games."

—J. C. Abernethy, in Atlanta Journal.

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CAPT SPAUGH HERE.

Old Conductor of Bostian Bridge-Fame here. Is looking well.

Captain J. F. Spangh of railroad fame is, or has been in Salisbury for several days. He is here with a pack of dogs to take a big hunt over in Davidson this week. Capt. Spangh is one of the old conductors on the Western road, and will always be remembered for his heroic work in the Bostian Bridge wreck above Statesville on August 27, 1891. Most of our readers are familiar with the details of this awful carnage of human beings, for nearly every one of us had a friend or acquaintance in the wreck. There were men from Salisbury killed, Captain Wynn's brother, Engineer West, and Fireman Fry. When the train went down Captain Spangh crawled out of the car and walked back to Statesville two miles away, and made the news known. There were about twenty two killed, and many wounded seriously, some very slightly. State Auditor G. W. Sanderlin was on the train too, but was not badly hurt, and neither was Captain Spangh. There was no clue to the wreckers, if the train was derailed, and it will never be known just what caused it. Captain Spangh is one of the older conductors, and is as lively as a cricket.

At The Mayor's Court.

The mayor had a good many cases yesterday morning and afternoon. The town, which has been unusually free from drunkenness and disturbances for the past two weeks, couldn't hold itself any longer, so Salisbury has booze cases in profusion. The cases disposed of and amount expended on the settlement of them are as follows: Bob Wood drunk and Sunday \$5.00. Two negro women Sunday drunk, each fined \$7.75. Two negro boys, affray, fined \$3.50 each. Two young white men drunk and disorderly conduct, fined 10.90 each, this being a Saturday and Sunday drunk. White woman fined for disorderly conduct \$7.75. This makes a grand total of \$52.55. A big days work and all of this is clear profit.

Barber Poles.

When a man wants his whiskers trimmed or a boy needs a hair cut, he looks around for a place that has a red and white pole in front of it, and as soon as he sees such a pole he knows he has found a barber shop. But why does a barber always have this kind of a sign in front of his shop? In times gone by, before the world knew as much about medicine as it does now, everybody thought it was the proper thing to get rid of some of his blood now, and then, especially in the springtime. This was called blood-letting, and was done by the barbers, who also pulled teeth, and did several other things in those days besides cutting hair. The operation of blood-letting required the use of a small pole or stick, which the patient held in his hand, and two bandages—one to wrap around the arm before the cut was made, and the other to bind up the wound after the bleeding was over. Two bandages, ready for use, were kept wound around a red pole and displayed in the door or window as a sign to the public. After a time instead of going to the trouble of winding stripes of cloth about the pole white stripes were painted on the pole to represent the bandages, and from that day until this barbers have always used that kind of a sign. There are very few barbers to-day who know why they use a red and white pole, and some of them trying to give it a patriotic meaning by painting their signs red, white and blue. This is all very well, for a man has a right to do what he likes with his sign, but it takes away what little sense still remains in using a blood-letting sign for a barber shop.

ROWAN RIFLES TO RALEIGH

WILL ATTEND INAUGURATION OF GOV. AYCOCK.

Thirty-nine of the Company Left Last Night for Raleigh—Capt. Overman Unable to go with Them.

The Rowan Rifles, Salisbury's military company, left for Raleigh last night and are expected to arrive at the capital city at 8 o'clock this morning. The boys had a preliminary drill while waiting for their train to pull in, and made a very creditable showing. It was a source of much regret and disappointment to the boys and their friends that Capt. W. H. Overman was unable to go with them, but his physician expressed the opinion that it would be very dangerous if Mr. Overman went, as he is anything but well. Lieutenant Gaither and his wife went upon a later train and joined the company at Greensboro. At this place, the company expected to give a drill, and when they arrive at Raleigh they hope to make an excellent appearance. In addition to the company, they took a mascot—a little negro boy to do the "kyarbit bag ack," as Dave Hanks says. This little negro is a very fine buck and wing dancer and he is to be dressed in a very loud red uniform and red shoes and he will be show off in Raleigh. With him the boys say there is no such thing as failure.

They will return on Wednesday and at that time expect to have something to tell our readers. We are glad to thank the good and generous people of Salisbury for the substantial financial aid given them. It proved adequate to their railroad expenses.

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