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THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 27, 1894.

We are printing this week on Monday so as to give ourselves and everybody else a short rest this week.

Passing of the years. With this issue, The CHRONICLE shakes a friendly farewell with the year 1894. The parting is forever.

With next issue we extend a friendly greeting and hand-shaking to the New Year, 1895, and we may express the hope that our associations may be pleasant and profitable for the space of twelve months.

As the Old Year passes from the stage of existence and drops forever into the depository of the past, the New Year, without malice or prejudice, takes its place in the twinkling of an eye, without contention and without friction. We scarcely realize the de-throning of the one or the crowning of the other.

We feel kindly toward the New, not because of irreverence toward the Old, but for the hopes we have in the New.

We have known the Old for twelve short months, and we will always gratefully remember its many kindnesses, but we turn pleadingly and with renewed energy to the New, moved by the mainspring of human action, Hope.

"The mind hath a thousand eyes; The heart but one; But the light of a whole life dies, When Hope is done."

The years come and go, and the heavens move on as before, the stars shine as they did thousands of years ago, when the "morning stars sang to gether for joy" and humanity plods on as before its weary way, remembering the Old for what it has done, and always placing Hope in the New.

And thus the years are passing by, each, as it follows, full of its pleasures and its successes and also its disappointments and blasted hopes.

One dreams of the Old, now of the Pleasant, now of the Bitter.

And one greets the New in the fervency of fancy's hopes, now gazing gladly upon the bright now despondently battling with the dark.

"And thus with shadows only And the memories they unweave, Alone and yet not lonely We spend our New Years Eve."

If we were to attempt to recount the pleasures or disappointments of the Old, or to catalogue the hopes of the New, they would be "past mentioning."

We must content ourselves therefore in joining our readers in wishing each other and the world a happy Christmas and New Year, and hoping that the New Year may be a kind one to us all, and that we may prosper abundantly therein.

When the bill to take the differential tariff duty off of sugar, thereby giving a blow to the sugar trust, came up in the Senate last week, every republican and populist voted against it. And it was they who before the election were so severely criticising the sugar duty and the sugar trust, and charging that the Democrats had sold out to the trust. People can see now who has sold out.

"The poor ye have with you always." Remember them.

The CHRONICLE hopes its readers will enjoy the holidays to the "fullest" extent.

If there be any truth in the old saying, "a green Christmas, a Green church yard," the omens would appear bad.

Put on your Christmas "smile" and be happy and make everybody else happy. No time for long faces.

The President seems to be having good luck hunting ducks in S. C. He and Governor Evans killed sixty, one day last week.

We hear of people being praised to the skies, but we never hear of the fellow being killed getting back down to the ground. Queer isn't it?

People are always accusing newspapers of lying. But the papers print news as they hear it. If there is lying done it is the people who tell the news.

The news is that the war between China and Japan is practically over. China will make satisfactory concessions. Little Japan has given big China a right genteel thrashing.

The Legislature convenes the 8th of January. Our Representatives will go down sometime next week, and get accustomed to their surroundings so that they may be ready to "save the country" by the proper legislation. We understand that Mr. Henderson has been picked out as chairman of the committee on "Weights and Measures," and that Mr. Ellege will be chairman of the committee on "Sea Shells and Excursions." It is said that he will recommend a liberal use of ice for the preservation of shells and other sea curiosities, while Mr. Henderson will recommend a change in the unit of Measure, making "shorts" equal to "longs" and "longs" still longer. The country is safe.

The Town Not Restricted.

The following is a report of the Supreme Court decision in the matter of Call vs. the town, concerning the laying off a road from the bridge to Vyne's sawmill place:

M. C. Call, Executrix, vs. the Town of Wilkesboro, from Wilkes county.

Opinion by Shepherd, C. J. The Constitution provides that private property shall not be taken except for public use, and it is well settled that whether a particular use is public or not, within the meaning of the Statute, is a question for the judiciary.

2. When there is no question but that a highway, authorized by an Act of the Legislature, is for public use, the question as to its necessity or expediency is a matter which rests entirely with the legislative department.

3. As the plaintiff is precluded from denying the necessity for the street, the fact that previous to the act of Assembly the Superior Court had adjudged that no such necessity existed, cannot defeat the express grant of authority by the Legislature.

4. Where Sec. 1 of the Act in its terms substantially locates the street but Sec. 2 enacts that the street "shall be located under the law providing for the location of streets and rights of way as provided in the charter of said town," Held,

That the town authorities are not restricted to the powers as set out in the town charter, but can provide for the laying out of the street as located in Sec. 1.

All persons are requested to pay their taxes for the years 1893 and 1894 before Dec. 31st. After that date I will be compelled to advertise real estate to satisfy said taxes.

A. M. VANNOR, Ex-Sheriff.

The Bridge is Safe.

The News. We understand that one of the pillars at Curtis' bridge has given way to a certain extent, which will make it unsafe to cross if it does not receive the proper attention. Better look after this—"a stitch in time saves nine."

The CHRONICLE heard the same report, but upon inquiry was convinced that it was all a mistake. As soon as the matter was recalled to our attention by the News, we suggested a committee of investigation, as the bridge is county property, and the county would be liable in case of damages received by any one, should the county officials not take the proper precautions. Accordingly the Chairman of the board of Coms. was waited upon and the matter suggested to him. He seemed to think it would be the proper step, but we do not know that the matter has been attended to. In the mean time, the bridge has been visited by a number of citizens and examined, and also examined by several travelers, and nothing at all found wrong with the bridge so far as they can see. There is a small crack in one of the pillars which has been there ever since the building of the pillar, and that's all there is true in the report, so far as we can learn. But in justice to the county and the people interested, the investigation committee should lose no time in examining the matter, and if necessary in order to put an end to such false reports, they might daub a little cement in that crack.

We understand that this report has been privately scattered all through parts of this county and Ashe, as a warning to those who would probably visit this town with their produce, and we thank Bro Robertson for re-calling our attention to it, so that we have the opportunity of correcting the erroneous report.

It is regretted that we are unable to publish a report of an investigating committee duly authorized by the county authorities, owing to negligence on somebody's part.

Let the Church Stick to its Divine Mission.

Patron and Gleaser.

Those who were expecting the Methodist Conference, recently held at Durham, to take part in the fight against State schools have been disappointed. Bishop Wilson, who presided over that body, in an address, said: "I am opposed to the church having anything to do with legislation or with secular matters. Let the church stick to its divine mission."

Mistakes and Marriages.

Mr Editor:—you please publish that Mr. Isaac Church, of Jobs Cabin was not married to Miss Nellie Greene, of Gap Creek; also Squire Yates, of Gap Creek, was not married to Miss Rhoda Church, of Jobs Cabin; although Mr. Joe Church was married to Miss Nannie Fletcher, both of Jobs Cabin; also Columbus Watson, of Watauga, was married to Nelia Barber, of Jobs Cabin. These weddings took place Dec. 12, 1894.

We have a protracted meeting going on this week at Yellow Hill church, conducted by Rev. I. C. Miller.

We welcome our good friend Mr. Parsons among us again. He has just returned from an extended stay at Mocksville.

John W. Church.

State Pensions in Wilkes.

The following statement shows the number and amount of State pensions received in Wilkes together with the amount paid by the county to the State for pension purposes:

79 widows,	\$17 each,	\$1343.
65 soldiers,	\$17 each,	\$1105.
1 soldier,	\$68,	\$68.
1 "	\$51,	\$51.
1 "	\$34,	\$34.
Total,		\$2601.

Am't p'd State Treasurer, \$96.28 Excess rec'd by county, 1704.72.

Considered in a financial way the pension investment is a profitable one for Wilkes so far as State pensions are concerned. But we lose it a thousand fold on federal pensions.

Fifth Sunday Meeting.

The 5th Sunday meeting of the Brushy Mountain Association convenes with Mt. Pleasant church on Friday the 28th of Dec. 1894 at 12 o'clock m. Introductory by Rev. W. F. Carlton.

QUERIES.

1. What connection has the Sunday School to Christ teaching in the synagogue?—Speakers, Rev. Milton McNeil, Bro. B. F. Eller and Prof. F. B. Hendren.

2. Are our pastors doing their duty toward the churches as taught in the Bible?—Speakers, W. F. Carlton, A. L. Foster and H. Church.

3. What is the best method to get the churches to send delegates and be represented in these 5th Sunday meetings?—Speakers, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, W. C. Meadows and V. McGinnis.

4. Is Foot-washing an ordinance of the church?—Speakers, W. F. Carlton, M. McNeil and A. T. Pardue.

5. What effect has the liquor traffic on this Association?—Rev. I. T. Prevette, A. Eller and D. V. Nichols.

W. C. FAYSTER.

The Commencement at Concord Institute.

It was the pleasure of the writer to attend the closing exercises of Concord Institute at Wilbar N. C. the 14th inst, this school under the management of Prof. E. M. Blackburn is supported by the free school funds, but the manner in which the pupils acquitted themselves show that they had not wasted their time and that Prof. Blackburn had acted a good part in their training. The day exercises consisting of declamations and recitation commenced at 10 o'clock A. M. and closed at 3 P. M. with a short but pointed address by Mr. John Blackburn. The night exercises consisting of comics and dialogues commenced at 7 P. M. and closed at 10 P. M. The whole affair was much enjoyed and each student deserves high praises but for fear of being too lengthy will only mention the last and the one we consider the best "christian graces," acted by ten young girls viz Misses Annie Colvard, Queen Colvard, Jenie Colvard, Lizzy Vannoy, Mertie Vannoy, Dora Vannoy, Belle Whittington, Lizzie Whittington, Mamie Cosby, and Nancy Dancy. The house was crowded to suffocation, all seemed to give the strictest attention to the exercises and observed good order. Prof. Blackburn left for his home Sunday morning carrying with him the good wishes of his many friends. A happy Xmas to the Editor and readers of The CHRONICLE.

CHRAS, Whittington N. C.

Money to Loan.

Loan negotiated on mortgages on well improved real estate at 7 per cent; long time.

J. B. Buxton, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next General Assembly of North Carolina to have the charter of the town of Wilkesboro N. C. amended. This Dec. 11th 1894. RICHARD N. HACKETT, Mayor.

Notice of Land Sale.

The undersigned administrator of the estate of Austin Hanks, deceased, having obtained an order from the Superior Court of Wilkes county to sell for assets the lands described in the pleadings in the case of T. P. Hanks adm'r of Austin Hanks vs. Mary Jane Hanks, J. W. Holbrook and wife Sarah A. Holbrook, hereby gives notice that he will on the 1st Monday in January next, being the 7th day of said month, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court house door in the town of Wilkesboro N. C., said lands. The same being situated in said county of Wilkes and composed of three different tracts in Trap Hill township—First tract contains about 215 acres and joins lands of S. W. Hanks and others. Second tract situated on waters of Roaring River and adjoins lands of Hardin Pruitt and others contains about 215 acres. Third tract situated at Trap Hill and contains about 14 acres and joins the lands of H. S. Holbrook and others. This Nov. 15, 1894. T. P. Hanks adm'r of Austin Hanks, dec'd.

1895.

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STATESVILLE, N. C., Jan. 1st, 1894.

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