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### LOCAL DOTS.

Brief Notes of Passing Events That May or May Not Interest You.

—Christmas goods at Call's.  
—Ladies' cloaks at Hix's. See them.  
—See Call for your groceries—  
—Keep yourself warm with an overcoat from Hix's.  
—Granulated sugar at Call's, 20 pounds for one dollar.  
—Mr. A. R. Vail, of Jefferson, was in the city last week.  
—Dr. Eller of Ready Branch, was in the city last week, on business.  
—A few nickels in the slot would put a voluminous smile on us along now.  
—Spainhour wants to see you at the store to-day. He wants to make you happy for Christmas.  
—Our holiday present next week is "no paper." We will rest and enjoy the cessation with our readers.  
—Dr. Turner has meat. He killed three hogs last week, aggregating 1047½ pounds. The largest one weighed 45½.  
—Miss Sue Bissell, of Augusta, Ga., is visiting the family of Solicitor Mott. We wish her a pleasant stay among us.  
—Mr. George Phillips and family, of Ashe, are visiting in the county. They spent a few days in the city with his son-in-law, Frank D. Hackett, last week.  
—To-day—the 24th—M. B. Joines and Miss Lillie B. Holbrook, daughter of the late Joshua Holbrook, of Traphill, get married. License was issued last week.  
—Representative Chas. H. Somers has one of the finest little boys you ever heard of, and Charles is so happy that he is doubtful about whether or not he will go to Raleigh.  
—W. C. Winkler and family went up to Caldwell county last week, to attend the sale of the personal property of the late David Bower, Esq. Mrs. Winkler will spend the holidays there.  
—The recently elected magistrates should remember that their term of office does not begin till the first Thursday in August. Any official acts before that time will be illegal and lay themselves liable to indictment.  
—The fire-cracker nuisance seems to have sway. There's danger of burning up the whole town. If the authorities don't enforce the law in this matter they should be held personally responsible for all damage that may result therefrom.  
—Key's Scotch snuff is making a reputation wherever it is introduced. Merchants find it an easy seller. If you have not tried it, now is the time to begin. You will find an advertisement of this snuff in another column. Give this snuff a trial.  
—The students of the Roaring River District school, Joines, N. C., will be given a Christmas Tree on the 24th at 2 p. m. They are having a good school there under the management of W. L. Brewer, of Abshers, N. C. Forty-nine students have been enrolled with a good average attendance.

—Mr. Zoll has returned home from Ashe.  
—Ex-Register Edwards' big hog weighed 404 pounds.  
—Calvin Dula, one of the jail prisoners, is quite sick.  
—Mr. Ed. Harris, who has been away for a month, is home again.  
—John T. Finley has gone to South Carolina on important Christmas business.  
—Spainhour & Co. have a nice lot of lamps and other Christmas goods.  
—Mrs. Dr. Erwin and children leave this week to spend the holidays with relatives.  
—There will be a Christmas tree at Liberty Grove church on the night before Christmas.  
—Paul Chatham, of Elkin, was in the city last week, looking after the woolen mills industry.  
—Mr. Bob McNeil, who is attending school at Wake Forest College, is home spending the holidays.  
—Rev. R. W. Barber is yet quite feeble, over his fall upon the ice, but is slowly improving.  
—Mrs. Matthews, wife of the Episcopal Rector of this place, is expected to arrive from Brooklyn this week.  
—Till Alexander, colored, is putting up a cottage dwelling house. He hopes to have it ready to move into shortly.  
—Mount Pleasant church in Lewis Fork township will have a Xmas tree on Thursday. Mr. Bob McNeil will deliver the address.  
—Rev. Mr. Matthews, the Episcopal rector, will conduct services at the jail every Sunday afternoon, for the benefit of the prisoners.  
—There will be an entertainment given at Millers Creek Academy on Wednesday night, consisting of declamations, recitations, etc.  
—Misses Mamie and Carrie and Mr. Charles Transou, of Ashe, passed through the city the first of the week on their way to spend the holidays at Statesville.  
—There will be services at Episcopal church on Christ day at 11 o'clock. Also on Saturday following at 11 o'clock, which is St. Steven's day.  
—Mrs. Marshall, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bob Cashion at North Wilkesboro, returned to her home near Davidson College, the first of the week.  
—There will be a Sunday School mass meeting at Moravian Falls at the Methodist church next Saturday. Rev. W. L. Dawson, the pastor, will deliver an address.  
—Rev. W. L. Dawson killed a 200 pound hog last week and got 60 pounds of lard out of it. It was very fat. It got so fat that it refused to eat, during the last few days of its life. Claude Miller says that he (Miller) is counted the biggest hog "liar" in this country, but that this beats him.  
—The supper given for the benefit of the Episcopal church, Friday night was a very pleasant affair. It was not very largely attended—for such things have about had their day here—yet a neat little sum was realized—something over \$22.00. This is to be used in getting lamps and other things for the church.

### BADLY SHOT.

Corn "Licker" Gets in its Work.  
Last Saturday night, over in Reddies River township, Bud Huffman, son of John Huffman, shot Calvin Nichols, inflicting a painful, and perhaps dangerous wound. Huffman is a young man, about 20 years old. He went to Nichols'—Ann Nichols'—drunk; got to cutting up, and they attempted to put him out of the house. He drew his pistol and shot, the ball taking effect in the abdomen of Calvin Nichols. Dr. Turner was called in. He probed for the ball but did not find it. He is of the opinion that Nichols will recover, unless inflammation sets in.  
There seems to have been no cause for the shooting, except "old corn licker was the cause of it all." The shot penetrated into the abdominal cavity, and is liable to produce inflammation.

### The Pension Checks.

The Register of Deeds received the pension checks Friday, and those who have not already done so, can get their check by calling at the office. Wilkes county gets 163 of these checks, amounting in all to \$2,832. The pensioners are always mighty glad when the checks come in.

### Linney's Exalted Position.

Last week, the Taylorsville mail boy, a bright young colored blood, informed us of the fact that "Mr. Linney has been made Chairman of Congress." He says he got it straight. He didn't tell what new duties Mr. Linney had to perform by reason of being "chairman of congress."

### Mrs. Forester Dead.

Mrs. Filmore Forester, of Reddies River township, died of consumption last Thursday, and was buried at the Pennel graveyard on Friday. She was about 38 years old and leaves husband and five children. She was a sister of Mrs. John Parlier, of this place. The sympathy of their many friends is extended to the bereaved family.

### Lost His Eye.

Wiley Jarvis, of Hunting Creek, was felling some trees last week, when one lodged upon some saplings. He cut into one of the saplings; it kicked back striking him in the face, and knocking out one of his eyes, and badly bruising up his face and nose. He was not expected to live for several days, but now is improving. He is about 40 years old and has a family.

### Masonic Installation.

The masonic lodge at this place elected the following officers on last Saturday night at the regular communication: W. A. Foster, W. M. R. N. Hackett, S. W. C. Call, J. W. J. G. Hackett, Treasurer. B. S. Call, Secretary. The installation of these officers will take place at the hall on Monday next at 10 o'clock. The installation will be public. All who wish are united to see the ceremony.

### Cheap Wagons.

Wagons of Alexander has got myty cheap A fellow from Alexander sold one to S. B. Gentle and R. F. Frazier of Wilkes Co for fore guineas and there was not a Rooster in the bunch and it was a good too horse wagon it hill up 12 crossties and you know it was a good one.

READER.

### Additional Locals.

—Mayberry has the best 15 cent coffee in Town.  
—You can buy nice Ribbon and Hamburg trimming at Mayberrys cheap.  
—Reduced prices on over coat and winter clothing—same shoes going at wholesale prices at Horton & Abshers, North Wilkesboro.  
—Licenses were issued Monday for the marriage of Walter Sink to Martha Myers, J. W. Brown to M. N. Wood, J. W. Caudill to Dora Faw, J. A. Chapman to Manda Deal, and Edgar Kilby to Mary Bishop.

—The public debate at Moravian Falls is Wednesday night instead of Thursday night. The question the boys propose to expound is: "Resolved that the men of the 19th century are superior to the men of the past centuries. All are invited.

—Prof. Olin Ader will arrive this week, and will open school here the 5th of January. Let all our people be ready to patronize the school at the beginning. It is a wrong idea to wait till after the school has progressed a while before starting the children.

—About the first step to be taken in christianizing this country is to give us better roads. The few little sparks our people have all go glimmering when they try to travel our roads. The temptation is more than they can bear, and from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaketh, and it is not always in accord with the "golden text" of the Sunday School lesson, either.

### Reduced R. R. Rates.

The railroads have arranged a one way fare rate for land seekers from the North and West for those who wish to visit the South for the purpose of investing. We hope that we shall have in Wilkes a goodly number of these visitors. Our county has attractions and inducements, that need only to be seen to be appreciated. Our gates are open, and the latch strings hang without the door.

### Premonitions and Prisoners.

Thomas Crysel, our jailer, is an expert prognosticator. He can tell two or three days beforehand when a new prisoner is coming to board with him. Last Thursday he told some of his friends that there would be a new prisoner at his hotel within 24 hours, and sure enough within a few hours the prisoner was placed under his care. Crysel says that the jail goes through a series of mysterious crackings or popping a day or two before a prisoner is to come, and that the sign never fails.

In answer to these mysterious sounds, the prisoner was brought in Thursday night. He lives in Boomer township, and his name is Elisha Webster. He was sent up for stealing a razor. He is a beardless boy of about 16 years, and it is an enigma as to what he wanted with a razor. He appears to be a kind of kleptomaniac in the stealing business; for they say he has been in Taylorsville jail twice, for stealing, and broke jail both times. The officers caught him at an old vacated house, where he had a fire. When he found the officers had hemmed him in, he ran out up the chimney, and got scorched and blackened pretty thoroughly.

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