

STATE NEWS.

Raymond Watford, of Light, was here yesterday. He says he sold wheat last week in Thomasville for \$1.25 per bushel, says the North State.

Mr. J. T. Walls, of Lilesville Township, recently caught a two hundred pound sturgeon in one of his fish traps in the Pee Dee, says the Wadesboro Messenger.

The wind storm last week did considerable damage on Route No. 5. The farmers are gathering their fodder, corn and cotton that was blown down, says the Apex News.

We learn from the Danbury Reporter that the man captured in Virginia a few days ago, thought to be Jeff Sisk, proved to be somebody else, so Sisk is still at large.

The Asheboro Courier says that Mr. Jesse F. Coltraine, of Providence Township, while at work cutting timber near Mt. Gilead yast week was killed by a tree falling on him.

It is said by many farmers that more corn, fodder, pea-vine hay and other roughness will be made this year than ever before in this section, says the Mooresville Enterprise.

Mr. J. A. Kerr was in to see us last Saturday and stated that he had raised a beet that weighed eight pounds and measured twenty-eight inches in circumference, says the Mooresville Enterprise.

Miss Mary Mebane, of Madison, one of the recently appointed missionaries of the Presbyterian church to Japan, will leave in a few weeks for Nagaya, where she will be in charge of a girl's school.

An epidemic of typhoid fever is prevailing at the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. Twenty-odd cases are reported and more inmates are threatened. Fortunately, thus far, there have been no deaths.

The Bank of Norwood, at Norwood, has been incorporated. The capital stock will be \$25,000. The principal stockholders are: M. E. Blalock, J. C. Ingram, A. P. Harris, J. A. Hathcock, Jr., and U. B. Blalock.

Mr. Chas. W. Andrew, who lives about two miles south of town, handed us a triple ear of corn this morning, which might be called a curiosity. There are three well matured ears of corn in the same shuck, says the Siler City Grit.

The North Carolina Board of Health has published for distribution 25,000 pamphlets entitled "Cause and Prevention of Consumption." This is the first step in a determined campaign which the Board will wage against "the great white plague."

The case against Dr. Julian M. Baker for killing Dr. H. T. Bass, tried at Edgecombe court last week, ended in an acquittal—justifiable homicide. Baker is prominent and it was easy to make out a case of self-defense, says the Henderson Goldleaf.

Acting on the theory that the recent terrible accident near the Catawba River bridge was caused by train wreckers, the Seaboard Air Line authorities have offered a reward of \$2,500 for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who caused the wreck.

Walnut Cove is once more elated over the prospects of having its extensive anthracite coal beds worked. The enterprising owner, Capt. Cabell Hairston, has just returned from an extensive trip up into the Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Virginia coal fields, and has succeeded in interesting the Southern Anthracite Coal Company, limited, in prospecting. He brought two of Pennsylvania's best and most experienced miners down with him and they spent a short time prospecting, and went away highly pleased.

Mr. H. H. Wade, brother of Mr. L. A. Wade, president of Wade's bank, who came to Winston-Salem last January to act as cashier of the bank, died last Wednesday morning at Dunn, N. C., aged thirty-one years. A wife and child survive him, says the Union Republican.

Our town is soon to have paved streets. We've got the best town in the State, and when we get our water-works and electric light system perfected, and the streets paved, we will have one of the most beautiful towns in the country, says the Lexington North State.

At the Southern Railway depot at Newton Sunday night a difficulty occurred between a negro, Robert Fry, and three brothers, Wilburn, Frank and Dan Misenheimer. Fry was so badly beaten that he died Monday. Wilburn Misenheimer was arrested but the others escaped.

In a drunken row at Charley Taylor's, six miles north of Elkin, Sunday night, a young man Walls cut and slashed a pal of his by the name of Hanes. Physicians were called to dress the wounds. They reported the condition of the young man painful, but not serious. Walls escaped.

In Wayne County the other day Mrs. Boaz Hooks attempted to shoot an alleged mad dog with a hammerless gun. While examining the weapon to discover how to fire it, it was accidentally discharged and the load entered the foot of Lonny Pate, sixteen years old. It is believed that his foot will have to be amputated.

Mr. F. M. Hightower has at his store, on Martin Street, some Japanese chestnuts that were grown on his place, in Gullede Township. The nuts are about four times the size of the ordinary chestnut, and when dry are said to be quite palatable. Mr. Hightower has several trees, all of which are doing well and growing rapidly, says the Wadesboro Messenger.

J. R. Upchurch, bird and game warden of the North Carolina Audubon Society, says an unusually large number of violations of the Audubon law are being reported to him just now and he is taking steps to bring up the violators with a short haul. Bat shooting and the killing of game birds out of season are the most common violations. The reports come from numerous counties.

Thomas Broadway, the Davidson County man who is charged with the killing of Milas Reid, and who has been in jail at Salisbury since Rowan County's sheriff returned from North Dakota with him two months ago, is now at liberty, Judge Cooke having allowed him to give bond until the next term of court. The amount of bond was fixed at \$500 and was speedily furnished. Broadway will be placed on trial for murder in the second degree.

To the Citizens of Wake County.

I hereby announce myself an independent candidate for the Lower House of the next General Assembly.

I respectfully ask your suffrages and promise that if I am elected I will serve the people with fidelity and courage. I will favor all legislation that tends to lessen the burdens that bear upon the people today. These burdens, too, should bear equally upon all, without discrimination against any class of people. I believe in economy of expenditures to the extent that our taxes may be decreased rather than increased as has been the case for some years.

I am a laboring man myself, and feel the need of lightening the burdens from the shoulders of the people.

W. T. BARROW.

I don't sell stamps, but do sell first-class groceries. Ask for prices.

W. B. MANN.

WAKE CRIMINAL COURT.

The Cases Disposed of to Date—The Jury.

The September term of Wake County Criminal Court began Monday with Judge G. S. Ferguson present.

The following compose the grand jury:

R. D. Honeycutt (foreman), W. H. Strouther, Jr., W. W. Huley, A. K. Upchurch, C. R. Debnam, J. D. Honeycutt, A. H. Massey, J. T. Brown, W. M. Honeycutt, J. H. Massey, D. P. Judd, S. C. Pool, J. T. Maynard, W. A. Beck, J. C. Burns, J. Marvin Brighton, J. V. Gill, S. J. Weathers.

CASES DISPOSED OF.

A number of the colored gambling cases were gotten off the docket during the afternoon.

Geo. Branch plead guilty and paid \$5 and costs for this offense. Henry Davis also plead guilty and judgment was suspended on the payment of costs. Oscar Brown was another who plead guilty with the same result. Frank Twitty and Nelson O'Kelly also admitted being in a game one Sunday on the "Bowery" and had to pay \$20 and costs each.

J. W. Robinson, for acting as immigrant agent without paying the necessary State license was continued for the term.

A case against Alex Penny, colored, for retailing liquor, was not pressed. He was bound over to court as a witness against L. V. Garrett, who is under a similar charge, Garrett being a white man. He could not be found.

Hamp Townsend, colored, for assault with a deadly weapon on Drew Rabb, also colored, was fined \$10 and costs.

Arthur Rand, colored, who broke into the house of A. J. Prince, near Garner, plead guilty to house-breaking and larceny and was sentenced to eight years on the roads for house-breaking and the judgment was suspended as to larceny.

There were two cases against Charlie Pool for stealing harness, and he was sentenced to one year in each case, having plead guilty.

Clement Smith, the colored "Holiness Preacher," who it will be remembered made a very unique defense in the mayor's court against the charge of stealing a watch from the Southern Express Company, was tried by jury and found guilty. He got ten months on the roads. This was the only jury trial of the day.

The grand jury returned a true bill against Annie Brown for the killing of her baby.

The trial of Jno. O'Kelly for cutting William Mangum, of Durham, during the week of the May street carnival, which has been continued again and again, has been at last set for trial to-day.

The cases for conspiracy against Capt. V. E. McBee and K. S. Finch, growing out of the receivership litigation against the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company, was ordered continued in Wake County court Tuesday by Judge Ferguson. The continuance is by consent and was announced in the court by Colonel Argo, of counsel for the defendants.

During the day yesterday the court disposed of quite a number of cases. One of the most notable was against Duncan Matthews, the aged negro who was arrested a few weeks ago for carrying on one of the worst wholesale stealing schemes unearthed here in quite a while. Matthew came into court and pleaded guilty in seven cases, six for larceny and receiving and the other for house-breaking. After the prisoner had committed himself to the mercy of the court, Judge Ferguson asked him what ever caused him to commit the crimes, and received the answer that he was too old to work, and he had to live some way, so he

expected to sell the stolen goods. The judge imposed sentences of one year each in five of the cases against the negro and suspended judgment in the other two. This gives the negro a sentence of five years on the roads. He said he was sixty-five years old.

Charles Mitchell, for larceny and receiving, was sentenced to ten months on the county roads.

Lum Locklear was taxed with the costs in a case for gambling.

George Spikes submitted to the charge of gambling and was taxed with the costs.

George Brewer pleaded guilty of assault with deadly weapon and was fined \$10 and costs.

Logan Mickles paid the costs in a case for larceny and receiving.

Robert Winston, colored, was sentenced to the roads for a term of four months for stealing a watermelon.

Roger Mial, colored, was sent to jail for six months with privilege to hire out, being found guilty of concealing himself in the store of Sam Watts at Garner for the purpose of stealing. The negro is only twelve years old.

George Brooks, a negro bootblack, was convicted of assault with deadly weapon and fined \$5 and costs.

Sam Henley, colored, was taxed with the costs in a case for carrying concealed weapons.

Solomon Dunn, for trespass and indecency, was found guilty and judgment was suspended on the payment of the costs.

Robert Penny and Angus Watson were found guilty of an affray and judgment reserved.

Cartoon in Smithfield Herald.

Did you notice the cut in the Smithfield Herald about Roosevelt and Booker Washington dining together, and did you have any thought of what it reminded you of?

Well, it reminded me of Grover Cleveland's wedding, and Fred Douglass and his white wife. It reminded me of Grover meeting Booker in Baltimore and speaking with him from the same stand that Booker occupied: It reminds me of President James A. Ross, of the negro Democratic League of New York, and his promise to vote for Mr. Parker, and also his presents sent to him in memory of Thomas Jefferson.

Oh yes, I guess they are respectable negroes, as the Democrats seem to think no one can manage the negro in social circles but themselves.

Yes, it reminds me of the Democratic boss of Johnston County speaking to the negro conference in Smithfield two years ago.

Oh, boys, don't you feel mighty white.

Now, boys, don't you remember that a few years ago you recommended two negroes for box holders in Smithfield Township and also voted negroes to carry your local elections in certain places, and when a negro votes the Democratic ticket you give him a white hat and shake hands with him and tell him that he is on the road to prosperity. Yes, boys, you have got so white you are turning a little yellow.

Now, I will ask you to tell us how many negroes Mr. Cleveland appointed to office and also how many Mr. Roosevelt has appointed and let us see which is in the lead with the negroes.

I would remind you of Mr. Winston's letter to the negro George White, but I don't won't to give you more than you can digest at one time, for you are looking very sickly any way.

I always like to see a patient die easy, and now, boys, fold your hands and shut your eyes, for you are gone.

PINE BURR MOCCASIN.
—Smithfield Times.

Prompt, polite service—Star Lunch.