CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Friday, December 10, 1880.

#### Important State Matters.

Being absent last week, we did not have an opportunity to express an opinion in our last issue about some public matters in which all the citizens of the State are interested. At present we will briefly allude to two subjects, and make further comments when the Legislature meets.

The proposition of the holders of what are known as the "Construction State Bonds" (Bonds issued by the State to aid the building of the N. C. Rail road, and for the payment of which the State's stock in that Road is responsible,) should not be accepted by the Legislature, even if the State Commissioners have endorsed it. It seems that the Construction Bondholders (mainly Messrs, Branch of Virginia, and New York capitalists.) ask the State to redeem the Bonds at par held by them by issuing new six per cent State Bonds, with coupons payable for taxes. It would be unfair and unjust to do that for two reasons: The State is now set tling its old public debt at 15, 25 and 40 cents or the dollar with four per cent Bonds, and it would not be right to pay par for another class of Bonds by issuing six per cent Bonds to any other class of creditors, not even to save the State's stock in the Railroad from being appropriated to pay its lawful debt. And it would be unjust at present to levy an additional tax to pay six per cent interest on about \$2,750,000 for any purpose, at least not until the old State debt is paid according to agreement

If the State issues more Bends and makes the coupons a legal tender for taxes, our State Treasurer will soon have his Vault full of paper coupons, and no money to pay current State expenses. Then State taxes would have to be largely increased to pay for carrying on the State government, or payment suspended by the Treasurer. Rather than issue more Bonds let the State's interest in the Railroad be taken possession of by the Construction Bondholders. The State has already lost control of the Road, and is now only a nominal stockholder, without power to exercise a controlling influence in its management.

If the Commissioners can make no better terms with the Bondholders than those recently announced, their further services should be dispensed Before the Commission was appointed to inquire what terms could be made with the Construction Bondholders, the Bonds were dull sale at 52 to 60 cents on the dollar-now, because our Legislature seemed willing to make some settlement of the debt, the Bondholders demand the face value of their Bonds, 100 cents. The fact is, the Commission was appointed under the impression that the Construction Bonds could be funded at 65 cents on the dollar with a new five per cent State Bond. We do not know that the Commission favors the proposition to issue new six per cent Bonds to take up the old Construction Bonds, or that any State officer approves it; but we think we express the sentiment of nine-tenths of the tax-payers of the State when we say that we are utterly opposed to any such scheme being endorsed

The other matter we now want to mention is, the proposed lease to the Wilmington & Weldon Road of the Atlantic & N. C. Road (running from Goldsboro to Morehead City.) We approve of the course of Gov. Jarvis in preventing the lease at the late meeting of stockholders by withdrawing the State's proxy from the meeting. As the State holds a majority of the stock, the Governor very properly thought the matter of lease should be referred to the Legislature soon to assemble. Speaking of the stockholders meeting held in Newbern on the 23d of Nov., and the proposition to lease the Road, the "Newbernian" says:

"After discussion, and when a decisive vote was the Governor. The State owns about \$1,300,000. and private stockholders about \$500,000. The Governor thinks that, as the General Assembly will convene in forty days, and as a lease for 20 or 30 years is equivalent to a sale, for a generation at least, no disposition ought to be made of the State's interest except through the General Assembly which represents the people who own this large amount of stock. The State's Proxy then with-drew, and the meeting was dissolved. We heartily endorse the action of the Governor, and believe that a very large majority of the people of Craven county, probably three-fourths, will concur. In fact the number in the county who favor the lease, is made up of a certain class of soreheads who would not be averse to giving the Road away in order to put the present efficient administration on the same footing with themselves i.e. among the "outs." It is a significant fact, too, that these men have been bitter opponents of Gov. Jarvis ever since he assumed the functions of the Executive office-why? The reason is well known, especially in this community, and the little word out" together with some lesser matters which may be thoroughly ventilated if the subject should be introduced in the Legislature, explains their whole

#### A N. C. NOVEL .- A Raleigh letter in the Wadesboro Times says:

"Among the literary events of the coming season will be the publication of a novel by Maj. John W. Moore. Messrs. Edwards, Broughton & Co. have it in press. It is entitled "The Heirs of St. Kilda," and is a picture of "times grown gray and old" in the Sunny South. It is charmingly dedicated in verse to his friend Dr. Eugene Grissom. It is a compliment worthy of both as the book is said to be Maj. Moore's best production. Readers who ister. have observed the poetic talent of the author, and stioned powers of narration as displayed in the History of North Carolina, will look with interest to the issue of this work."

INNUMERABLE VAGRANTS.—The city has a very stringent vagrant ordinance; and yet there are vagrants without number within its corporate limits. They are mostly colored people and they stand around the street corners all day, and at night go, nebody knows where. Two citizens who were discussing the matter a day or two since stood on the street corner and counted twenty-one negro men, strong and capable of the severest labor, who as suseties, was approved. were known to be doing nothing for a support. It is a most opportune time to commence a rigid enforcement of the law .- Daily Observer.

You are exactly right.

# New Advertisements.

Engines and Cotton Presses-Liddell & Co, Char Notice to Mecklenburg county Magistrates-Wm.

Maxwell, Clerk. Catawba High School at Newton-Clapp & Foil, Principals. Christmas Goods, &c., at the Rising Sun Store op-

posite the Old Market-C. S. Holton. Administrator's Notice-John C. Burroughs, Administrator of John L. Caldwell. Administrators' Sale-J. R. Morris and W. C. Maxwell, Adm'rs.

Toys and Christmas Goods generally-D. M. Rigler. Seasonable Goods-T. L. Seigle & Co. Latest Arrival of Goods-Elias & Cohen. New Dry Goods-Hargraves & Wilhelm.

#### Congress and the President's Message.

The last session of the 46th Congress met on Monday the 6th inst., and will continue until the 4th of March next, when a new Congress and new Administration takes charge of the Government.

With a few exceptions, and especially the misrepresentation by President Hayes of the condition of affairs in the South, his Message is fair and creditable. He intimates that elections in the Southern States are not free and fair, and that Congress should make investigations, &c. If the President would include Rhode Island, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and New York in his proposed inventigation, it would look fair; but to expose the intimidation of white voters by their employers in Northern States would not exactly suit the purposes of Radicalism.

The President pitches into Mormonism and polygamy in Utah, but fails to say anything about the adulterous New Englanders and the wholesale divorce business now carried on in their midst, where the marriage vow is as loosely observed and handled as it is in Utah.

His recommendation for reform in the civil service of the Government is commendable, and Congress ought to adopt his recommendation in that respect, even if he, himself, has not practiced what

He recommends that the commander of the Federal armies during the late war (meaning Gen. Grant) be made a "Captain-General" and pensioned and pampered accordingly. [Gen. Grant now has an income of \$7,000 a year, besides many presents.

The President reports the finances of the Government in splendid condition, with a surplus in the Treasury of about sixty-five millions of dollars.

### No Tax Receipt, No Vote.

It is estimated that there are not less than eighteen hundred men in Granville county who vote regularly at every election, and yet who do not pay one cent towards supporting the government, either on poll or property. Of this large number, at least nine tenths are colored. This is a startling statement, and one which demands some prompt action at the hands of the coming Legislature. This paper proposes to place itself fairly and squarely upon this issue, and demand some remedy for this alarming state of affairs. We take the broad and unmistaken ground that no man, white or black, should be permitted to cast a ballot who has not first paid his poll tax and can show his receipt for

The Legislature cannot pass such a measure, but t can submit the question to the people in the form of a Constitutional Amendment, to be voted upon at the next election, and though we may expect to see it opposed as a unit by the radical-negro party, yet we believe a majority of the people of North Carolina would approve and endorse such a

proposition at the polls. This measure is in force in Virginia and many other States. It works well, and, while putting all men on a true equality, it adds largely to the revenue of the State.—Oxford Free Lance.

Those who pay no taxes should not be permitted to vote and impose burdens on those who do pay taxes. It is no mere political or partizan matterit is a question of right and wrong-and every honest man in the State, white or black, Democrat or Republican, is interested, and especially interested in making all voters bear their fair share in defraying public expenses. Why should one man be made to pay a tax, while another is permitted to escape without contributing one cent to the Government which he helps to elect by his vote? Republicans who pay taxes should join Democratic tax-payers in demanding a law requiring all voters to pay a poll tax at least or quit voting. If it disfranchises white men as well as negroes, let it do so -it will be fair and right to all classes.

# County Matters.

The Board of Mecklenburg Commissioners, as newly constituted, assembled on Monday last. The Board is composed of T. T. Sandifer, R. M. White-Jno. R. Morris and Thos. Gluyas-White and Gluyas being new members. There is a vacancy, caused by the resignation of T. L. Vail, which will be filled by the Magistrates on the first Monday in

The Clerk of the Inferior Court was allowed half fees (\$277.92) for insolvent State cases tried at imminent, the State's Proxy declared the views of November term. Jail fees for the month of Nov. (\$135.70) was ordered to be paid. \$10.50 was allowed to Rufus Barringer, attorney, for services concerning the county fence. The Coroner was allowed fees (\$18.40) for holding inquest over Wm. Biggers, and Dr. Wilder \$20 for post mortem examination. And other bills and accounts to the amount of about \$500 were audited and ordered to

A meeting of the Magistrates of the county was ordered to be held on the first Monday in January to elect a Commissioner in place of T. L. Vail.

The County Board of Education authorized and directed the county Treasurer to pay out of the school fund in his hands all outstanding orders given by the School Committee to teachers during

F. W. Abrena, Asa George and R. M. White were appointed a committee to examine the flues and heating apparatus in the jail and put them in

A. G. Neel, Thos. P. Grier and Edward Grier were appointed a committee to order the location of a colored school house in school district No. 11, in Steel Creek Township.

This meeting being the first for the coming year, the Bonds of County Officers were presented and accepted as follows:

Wm. Maxwell's bond for \$5,000 as Re\_ister of Deeds, with John L. Rea and J. R. Baker as sureties. J. W. Cobb was sworn in as Deputy Reg-

The bond of S. E. Belk, County Treasurer, in the sum of \$35,000 for the safe keeping of the ccunty fund, with R. Y. McAden, J. H. McAden, H. G. Springs, W. R. Myers, D. W. Oates and John L. Brown as sureties, was accepted. The Treasurer also gave a bond of \$15,000, with R. M. Oates, M. P. Pegram and M. M. Orr as sureties, for the safe keeping of the school fund.

The official bond of M. E. Alexander, Sheriff, for \$10,000, with A. G. Trotter and H. T. Rhyne Jno. R. Erwin, Clerk of the Superior Court, ten-

dered his bond in the sum of \$10,000 with J. J Price, M. P. Pegram, Wm. Maxwell, Thos. Grier and F. Lee Erwin, as sureties, which was accepted. J. S. Means presented his bond as one of the Constables for Charlotte Township in the sum of \$3,000, with R. R. Hen and M. B. Means as sureties, which was accepted.

The official bond of W. N. Alexander, Coroner, in the sum of \$2,000, with R. B. White and T. K. he not succeeded in making his escape from Sammonds as sureties, was accepted.

The following persons were drawn to serve as Jurors at February term of the Inferior Court: R F Christenbury, Geo S Hunter, J M Estridge, C J Biggers, S S Caldwell, T M McCall, Thos J allows them.— Wilmington Review.

King, Larkin Forbes, H J Cathey, B O Ballard, T J Byrum, J W Potts, John Spratt, M T Oehler, John H Saddler, W M Mills, J E Griffith, A A Garrison, J Woods Henderson, W M Wilson, L W De-Special for Christmas—Wittkowsky & Baruch.

Bradfield's Regulator—For sale by Charlotte Druggists.

Armond, M A Alexander, Jno H McDonald, D K Sing, W H McCorkle, W L C Cox, W H Martin, J K Alexander, Jas H Carson.

## Judge Schenck and Pamlico Superior Court.

A complete vindication of his conduct. In this part of the State, where Judge Schenck is well known as prompt and faithful in discharging his Judicial duties, persons of all classes-friends,

acquaintances and even enemies-were surprised to Messenger, and papers which copied from them, charges against the Judge for not properly attending to his duty as Judge at the Court House in Bayboro, Pamlico county. But it will be seen by the following letter of the Solicitor of the First District, the certificate of the Clerk of Pamlico Superior Court, and the letter of James E. Shepherd and George H. Brown, Attorneys at Law, that Judge Schenck did his work as well and promptly as it was possible to do under the peculiar circumstances which surrounded him and his Court.

State papers which have published or alluded the charges against Judge Schenck are respectfully requested to copy this article, or the letters and certificate below :

Washington, N. C., Dec. 1st, 1880 As Solicitor of the First District, I was present at the Superior Court held for Pamlico county at Bayboro, Fall Term, 1880-Hon. David Schenck, Judge, presiding.

Judge Schenck arrived at Bayboro about sunset on Monday of the Term, having traveled a distance of 42 miles from Washington that day. The Court was opened at 9 o'clock on Tuesday

morning, and every case on the Criminal Docket dis posed of. The Judge then asked me, in open Court if there was any further business for the State. I replied there was no further business. The Civil Docket was then taken up and called

and the Jury trials disposed of and the Jurors wer The weather was extremely cold, and the Court House neither ceiled nor plastered, and not enough fire to keep the Court room warm, and the Judge adjourned the Court to his room at the Hotel and

There being no further business known to the Judge, he ordered his conveyance to leave about 2 "fast mail" is one hour or two behind. A Union o'clock, and just as he was about to start I inform- Depot is badly needed here. Cannot something be ed him what I had just learned was a fact, that there was a prisoner in Jail charged with larceny. The practice on the Circuit was not to try indictments at the first term, and the Judge told me to let him give bail if there was a true bill, and then Depots for passengers who have to wait for the left for Washington.

C. W. GRANDY, Solicitor. I was present at the Court and concur in the above statement.

W. L. Cano, Attorney. State of North Carolina, | Superior Court,

Fall Term, 1880. Pamlico County, I, J. H. Miller, Clerk of the Superior Court of Pamlico, do hereby certify that Hon. David Court, held for said County, on the eighth Monday after the fourth Monday in September, A. D., 1880, and remained at said Court until all legal business was disposed of.

In testimony whereof, I, the said J. II. Miller, Clerk of the said Court, do hereunto set my hand the writer, in the past six years. Young men like and affix the sea! of the said Court. Done at my Office, at the Court House in Bayboro, Pamlico county, N. C., Novem-

ber 23d, 1880. J. H. MILLER, C. S. C.

WASHINGTON, N. C., Nov. 29, 1880.

Hon. David Schenck, Judge Presiding 1st Dist.: DEAR SIR :- We regret that any one should have done you the injustice of reflecting on you for not opening the Fall Term of Pamlico Court on Monday of the Term. We know the facts to be these: The Superior Court of Hyde county, which preceded Pamlico, did not close until 71/2 o'clock on the night of Friday the 19th November; you had made arrangements to leave next morning in an oven sail boat, with no shelter nor protection upon it, and it was very cold and there was every appearance of stormy weather on the Pamlico Sound, through which you were to pass. Observing these circumstances, we urged you earnestly not to risk the water route but to take a seat in our conveyance and go by land. You consented to this, and we left "Swan Quarter," the county seat of Hyde county, that night about 8 o'clock, and traveled thirteen miles that we might reach Washington Saturday evening, and Pamlico Court House Sunday. In this you were disappointed by being delayed at the Broad Creek bridge, which was undergoing repairs, for several hours, and by the

heavy rains all day Saturday. You did not reach Washington until Sunday evening, and on Monday morning as early as possible you left Washington in an open buggy and traveled all day through sno v and sleet, reaching Pamlico Court House, forty-two miles distant, at sundown, as we are informed. It was impossible for you without traveling night as well as day, through cold and inclement weather, to have reached the Court House in time to have opened Court on Monday. Respectfully,

JAMES E. SHEPHERD, Attorney. GEORGE H. BROWN, Attorney.

U. S. PISTRICT COURT.-This Court meets in this city on Monday next. Judge Dick will pre side. The Jurors are summoned to attend on

The Piedmont and Arlington Life Insurance Company of Virginia has failed. Not much prospect for Policy-holders to realize anything from their investments. They ought to sue the Directors individually and collectively for not properly discharging their duties, and then let them show whether they did or not. Many of the Directors in Insurance Companies and Banks are knownothings or "dead-heads" so far as a correct knowledge of the management and operations of their institutions are concerned, and when one of the establishments break every Director should be sued, and give all a chance to prove whether they properly discharged the duties entrusted to them by stockholders. If "Directors" were held individually responsible, there would be fewer broken 26,823,511; value, \$83,034,885; value of Companies of any sort. Some one, sometime, will find out that it is no small matter to accept a Directorship in an Insurance Company, or Bank, or other institutions.

THE LOTTERIES AND THE MAILS .--Washington, Dec. 6 .- It is said that the \$521,345. Postmaster-General has determined to inlottery company whose letters have been permitted to pass through the mails for these, \$38,531,897. several months past,

If the Postmaster-General does that he | 028 colored palls. ought to receive the thanks of every honest man in the country and of all who are opposed to swindling.

A COLORED DEMOCRAT KUKLUXED -Fred Shaw, a well-known colored man of Whiteville, and a staunch Democrat, was kukluxed on last Saturday night, about one mile below Whiteville Depot, and badly injured. He was set upon by two men of though his life is not thought to be endangered. The assailants will most likely be captured and if so they will get all the law

Inasmuch as President Hayes, in his Mesthe right to vote as one pleases, his attenpeculiar friends are involved.

### A Curious Meteor.

A correspondent of the Statesville Landmark gives the following description of a wonderful meteor seen in Iredell county on the night of the

"A meteor of surpassing brightness was seen about midnight of the 1st instant about 8 miles hear through the Kinston Journal and Goldsboro east of Statesville. It made everything very light about the premises of the observer. It had the shape of a huge spotted serpent, 75 yards long, as large as a pine tree, with eyes very distinct and mouth open toward the north pole. About ten feet back from the head it seemed to rest on the sky and the head part to be elevated; then a little further back it was raised in a kind of loop, and the tail reached down toward the tops of the trees. It was seen by the man and his family about a half hour, and then it gradually passed away. The observer thought that it portended some terrible calamity, and was very much frightened. We would like to hear a report from any other observer of the same phenomenon. We have heard of other observers in the county of Rowan.'

We hail with satisfaction the progress that gives to Wilmington, Charlotte, Charleston and other Southern points a closer connection with Northern trade centres, but we protest against the incomplete arrangement which not only excludes us from similar benefits but actually places us in a worse condition than we were before.-Raleigh

We doubt very much about the "fast mail" being any benefit to Charlotte. The fast Northern mail is brought here at midnight, and of course it is not delivered until next morning, just as the other mails are opened and delivered. The "fast mail" is a nuisance to other passenger trains on the N. C. Railroad, or has been on several occasions. The regular passenger and mail train is compelled to wait at the Charlotte Junction sometimes one or two hours for the so-called "fast mail" to arrive and deliver its mail bags. It is not very pleasant for passengers to have to wait at the "Junction," done to remedy the grievances and annoyances this City is subjected to by the want of necessary local something be done to afford shelter at the different arrival and departure of trains.

#### [Correspondence of the Charlotte Democrat.] CHAPEL HILL, Nov. 25th, 1880.

We propose saying a word about the N. C. University Law School. Three things make a Law School: A good instructor, a situation inviting to study and a nimble-witted class. Of these in inverse order. The class: Its dozen members leave their history to be written by the future. The situation : Disguise it as we may men | closed early after sunset. - Enterprise. are the creatures of circumstance. Gaiety is contagious. There has been no reception, entertainment. soirie, musical matinee nor cantata within twelve miles of Chapel Hill, to the personal knowledge of to be fashionable. The fashion here is to study. Young men study. We are, too, in a learned atmosphere. Elsewhere the salutation is: "Good morning, how is Miss Jones?" Here it is: "How

books has just been added to the Society Libraries. Law students join the Debating Societies. The cheapness of living at Chapel Hill is proverbial. The instructor at present is Hon. Kemp P. Battle. Sufficiently advanced in years to have learned the old, young enough to know the new law, kind, patient, thorough, incapable of fatigue, the class of

is Matt.?" Thirty thousand books are at the com-

mand of students. Four hundred dollars worth of

#### CHANCERY. State Auditor's Report.

1881 has come to know him and to love him.

The report of the State Auditor for the fiscallyear ending Sept. 30th, 1880, is completed and will in a few days go to the printer's hands. From the report we gather many points of interest, which we give be-

The receipts from all sources for the year were \$546,796.04, and the disbursements were \$492,720.34.

Among the items in the receipts are the following: Drummers' licenses, \$42,300; fertilizer licenses, \$24,000; general tax, including tax on banks, \$208,220.80; income tax, only \$2,602.48; insane asylum, special tax, \$94,241.15; penitentiary, special tax, \$92,-860.48; insurance companies, \$15,181.04; merchants' tax, \$18,256.21; sewing machines, \$2,400; three-fourths tax on purchases of liquors, \$12,329.49; Western North Carolina Railroad, \$10,041.67.

On the disbursement side we find the following items among the others: Agricultural department, \$24,697.07; Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, \$30,000; commutation for loss of eyesight, etc., \$1,370; fugitives from justice, \$1,315; convict account, 98 pounds. Wheat \$1.15 at City Mills. \$9,083.62; General Assembly, \$17,095.70; Insane Asylum at Raleigh, support account, ter; Pork 6 to 7 by the hog. \$40,000; Western Insane Asylum at Morganton, \$30,000; Colored Insane Asylum at Goldsboro, \$22,500; Deaf, Dumb and Blind | pound; Fresh country Butter in demand at 20 Institution, \$24,375; interest on mortgage cents per pound. bonds of the Western North Carolina Railroad, \$58,485; judiciary, \$38,213.83; outside lunatics, only \$115; Oxford Orphan Asylum, \$3,000; penitentiary, \$103,000; public printing, \$7,901.85; Western North Carolina Railroad, \$30,747.06.

The gross amount of State taxes collected was \$431,687.92; school taxes, \$342,290.68; county taxes, \$1,309,714.66.

The number of acres land returned was town lots, \$18,764,539; aggregate value of real estate, \$101,799,424.

The number of horses was 137,133, value \$5,871,006; mules 81,021, value \$3,850,285;

The value of farming utensils was \$10 clude the Louisiana Lottery Company in 124,553; money on hand, \$3,106,076; solthe list of concerns to which the privileges vent credits, \$13,518,809; stock in incorpor- Prints, Flannels, Blankets, Cloaks and Dolmans. of the mails are refused. This is the only ated companies, \$893,819; other personal A large stock of Clothing, Carpets, Boots, Shoes, property, \$892,582; aggregate value of all these, \$38,531,897.

LIAS & COHEN.

There were 118,610 white polls, and 56,-

The following school taxes were collected: Tax on licensed retailers, \$25,844.59; on white polls, \$120,068,76; on colored polls, \$57,232.42; 81 cents on total valuation of real and personal property, \$133,576.87.

eight years ago, we find that during that period the valuation of land has been inoreased \$13,500,000, or twenty per cent; the increased value of town lots is six milhis own race and cut and badly beaten. lions, or fifty per cent. The number of He would probably have been killed had horses and mules has increased 46,000, being 25 per cent. Sheep have increased only 10 them. As it is he is very badly injured, al- per cent. The value of farming implements was then \$2,500,000; now it is over ten millions dollars, an increase of 300 per cent. Then only 82,000 whites paid a poll tax, Then only \$2,000 whites paid a poll tax, now 118,610 list themselves for taxation.

Then 39,500 negroes listed, now 56,000 of them pay their taxes. The entire amount In short our Stock is complete in every detail sage, has much to say against obstructing collected by way of taxes reaches \$2,082,tion is called to the above case where his the schools one-sixth, and the State about one-fifth .-- Raleigh Observer.

## Cotton Receipts, Trade, &c.

[Condensed from the N. Y. Financial Chrenicle.] For the week ending Dec. 3d, the total receipts reached 218,341 bales, against 205. 192 bales last week, 256,618 bales the previous week, and 215,842 bales three weeks since, making the total receipts since the 1st of Sept., 1880, 2,538,057 bales, against 2,351,165 bales for the same period of 1879 showing an'increase since Sept. 1, 1880, of 186,892 bales.

The exports for the week reached a total of 147,360 bales, of which 83,764 were to Great Britain, 23,557 to France, and 40,039 to rest of the Continent, while the stocks on hand are 900,909 bales.

From the foregoing statement it will be seen that, compared with the corresponding week of last season, there is a decrease in the exports of 1,408 bales, while the stocks on hand are 200,306 bales more than they were at this time a year ago.

GRAIN.-Chicago, Dec. 6.-The decline in Grain and Provisions, which lately set in, aggregates a value approximating \$1,-190,000. There was a decline of nearly one cent in Wheat this morning and all other grains were weak. Provisions were decided-

Destructive Fire at Laurinburg. A very disastrous fire occurred at Laurinburg, Richmond county, on Monday evening, the 7th inst. It originated in the store of Mr T. A. McDongald, dealer in general merchandise, and in consequence of no water supply, the flames spread until the entire East side of Main street, comprising the business portion of the town, (twenty-six disposed of several motions on argument before him. within sight of Charlotte, one or two hours in the buildings in all,) was destroyed. All of the night for other trains, and especially when the merchants saved the greater portion of their stocks, but in a badly damaged condition. It is impossible, at this writing, to ascertain the extent of the damage or to arrive Railfoad accommodations. Or, at least, cannot at an accurate estimate of the value of the property destroyed, but it will approximate \$30,000, (mostly insured.) The Carolina Central Railroad shops were saved by persistent effort on the part of the people, and especially the employes of the shops. The damage to the shops, enclosures and contiguous buildings belonging to the Company, will probably amount to \$175. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary, as no fire was left in the store when

#### MARRIED.

In this county, Morning Star Township, on the 2d inst., by Rev. J. W. Abernethy, Mr B J. Simp-son and Miss L. E. Fisher, daughter of Mr Philip

In Gaston county, on the 8th inst., by Rev. J. J. On the 1st inst., in Yemassee, S. C., Mr Edward

S. Trapier and Miss Gertrude, youngest daughter of the late Hon. Wm. H. Haywood of Raleigh, N. C. In Cleaveland, Ohio, on the 23d ult., Col. R. W. Pulliam of Asheville, N. C., and Mrs. Peebles. On the 3d inst., Mr Andrew Heedick, Treasurer of Lincoln county, and Miss Mintie Warlick of

On the 28th ult., by Rev. A J Fox, Mr Monroe F Lutz and Miss Sarah Jane Schronce. In Lancaster, S. C., recently, Col. W. E. Williamson of Danville, Va., and Mrs Conners.

DIED In Gaston county, on the 27th ult., Dr. John D. McLean, aged 87 years. He was engaged in the practice of medicine about 60 years. During this long period of time, he remained in the same neigh-borhood, had a good practice and enjoyed the ut-

most confidence of the people. In this city, on the 6th inst., of cholera infantum. infant daughter of R F and S R Huneycut, aged 9 months and 4 days.

In this city, on the 5th inst, Miss Alice McEachern. daughter of Mrs. Nelly Taylor, aged 19 years, in

# CHARLOTTE MARKET, Dec. 9, 1880.

full confidence of a rest beyond the grave.

During the first of the week Good Middling Cotton brought 1114 cents, but on Thursday the quotations stood about as follows: Good Middling 11 to 111/2, Middling 10% to 10%, Low Middling 1014, stains and tinges 6 to 91/4-market

Corn 60 to 63, and Meal 65 per bushel; Peas 60; Oats 50 to 55, but little offering. Country Flour scarce at \$3 to \$3.25 per sack of

Fresh Beef from wagons 4 to 5 cents by the quar-Eggs scarce at 20 to 22 per dozen; Chickens in

demand at 15 to 18; Turkeys 71/2 to 8 cents per N. C. Whiskey, from wagons \$1.30 per gallo n by the barrel; Apple Brandy \$1.60.

# Other Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9, 1880. Cotton dull at 11% for Middling-market un-

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 9, 1880. Middling Uplands 6% pence, with dull market and quiet demand

#### LATEST ARRIVAL of New Goods.

We are now receiving for the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY trade a large assortment of desirable Goods, purchased by our Mr Elias, who has recattle 678,311, value \$3,844,964; hogs 1,530,- mained constantly in the Northern markets during 403, value \$1,703,245; sheep 582,468, value | the entire season, watching for Bargains and taking chases of us. We have a new stock of Dress Goods,

# Dec. 10, 1880.

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Every thing that is now out in Dress Trimmings.

A large line of imported and domestic Hosiery. A handsome stock of Nottingham Laces, Lappet Netting and Lace Lambrequins.

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ings, Tickings and Bleached Domestics Our Stock of Ready-Made Clothing, Over-Coats, Ulsters and Ulsteretts is large and very attractive.

Gents Merine Underware, Flannels, Blankets, Sheet-

Come and get one of our cheap Cloaks or Dol-

orders. HARGRAVES & WILHELM. Dec. 10, 1880.

### Notice to Magistrates.

The Magistra'es of Mecklenburg county are hereby notified to appear at the Court House in Charlotte on Monday the 3d day of January, next, by 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of electing a County Commissioner in the place of T. L. Vail,

Esq., who declines qualifying. By order of the Board of Commissioners, WM. MAXWELL, Clerk. Dec. 10, 1880

# Administrator's Notice.

Having taken out letters of Administration on the Estate of John L. Caldwell, dec'd, all persons holding claims against the Estate of said John L. Caldwell, dec'd, late of Blackstock, South Carolina, are hereby required to exhibit the same to the under-signed, at his office in Charlotte, on er before the 9th day of December, 1881, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery against

> JOHN C. BURROUGHS. Administrator of John L. Caldwell 6w no billion yours an wa-

# Catawba High School.

ENGLISH AND CLASSICAL, NEWTON, N. C.

The Thirty-first Session of this well known Institution will begin the 1st Monday in January, 1881, and continue 20 weeks. We have in charge the Buildings, Libraries, Ap paratus, Surveying Instruments, &c., of Catawba College, and are prepared to give superior advantages to young men and boys desiring a good practical education. Tultion and Board moderate.

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C. S. HOLTON Has laid in a large and fresh stock of Groceries. Confectioneries, &c., &c., such as Bread, Canned Fruit, and Pound Cake, Crackers, Pickles, Teas, Sugars, Unifee, &c.

# A fine quality of Cigars, Smoking and Chewing

For the rising generation, consisting in part of Piance, Drums, Wheel-Barrows, Bows and Arrows, Rubber Dressed Baby Dolls, Cradles and Bedsteads and Carriages for Dolls, Monkeys, Bull Dog and Creedmoor Banks, Wagons, Guns, Whips, Horses, K. K. Faces, (very sentimental.) Vases, Toilet Setts, Cups and Saucers, Jewelry Boxes, Shell Baskets, &c., &c.

Candies, Fruits, &c. A large assortment of French and other fine Candies, Oranges, Apples, Raisins, Nats, Currants, Citron, and in fact all articles found in Grocery or Confectionery houses. Thankful for past favors.

C. S. HOLTON.

Administrator's Sale. On Monday, the 13th day of December, 1880, we will sell all of the goods and chattles belonging to the Estate of the late Mary M. Wallace, consisting of Household and Kitchen Furniture, Horses, Cows, Kennedy, Mr D. F. McGill and Miss Sallie L. Huff. | Hogs, Corn, Wheat, &c. The sale will be at the late residence of the deceased on the Lawyer's road, four miles from Charlotte.

W. C. MAXWELL, Dec. 10, 1880 Administrators.

# TOYS! TOYS!!

D. M. RIGLER'S

You will find the largest and best assortment of TOYS in the city. We have most everything in that line, and will sell as low as the lowest. Inspection on and after to-day. Come and see. Also, Raisins, Nuts, Citron, Currants, Dates, Shelled Almonds, &c., &c.

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### D. M. RIGLER. The Great Opportunity of the

SEASON. January next we move to Trade Street. To prepare for this move we will, for the next 30 days to reduce Stock, close out several lines of desirable Goods at COST.

Our Stock of Clothing, Cloaks, Boots, Stoes and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods

Must be Sold. The finest assortment of Fancy Dress Goods and Trimmings in the city will be sold at a sacrifice. Everything in fact you need in our line can be

had with little regard to profit. Embrace this opportunity while it is open to buy goods at less than market value. A call will convince you we are in carnest.

T. L. SEIGLE & CO.,

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TO THE PUBLIC. We are making preparations to manufacture Three Hundred Boss Cotton Presses (patented in 1879) and Sixty Liddell Engines (patented in 1876).

During the season just closed, we were unable to fill our orders. We advise all who wish to purchase a Boss Press or Liddell Engine, to place their orders

Payments will not be required on the early orders sooner than on those placed later in the season. LIDDELL & CO., Address

#### R. I. McDowell, Charlotte, N. C. W. J. F. LIDDELL Dec. 10, 1880 3w W. S. LIDDELL.

Do You Want Health? Why will ye die? Death, or what is worse, is the mevitable result of continued suspension of the menstrual flow. It is a condition which should not be trifled with. Immediate relief is the only we are now enabled to offer both to Wholesale We are now enabled to offer both to Wholesale of suppression, suspension or other irregularity of the "courses," Bradfield's Female Regulator is the only sure remedy. It acts by giving tone to the nervous centres, improving the blood and determining directly to the organs of menstruction. It is a legitimate prescription, and the most intelligent

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cal and personal property, \$133,576.87. Comprising Cashmeres, Henriettas, Tamise. Em-Comparing the above with the report of press, Memies, Black Silks and Satins. Also, a sale by W. H. Barrett. For sale by all Druggists in Charlotte.

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A Drug Store in the City of Charlotte doing a good retail business. Established two years. For particulars address Lock Box 208, Charlotte

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Of Davidson College, H. MORRIS & BROS.,

Popular dealers in Ready-made Clothing, Staple them pay their taxes. The entire amount collected by way of taxes reaches \$2,082,700, of which the counties spend two-thirds, orders.

In short our Stock is complete in every detail and Fancy Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Notions, Hats, and persons visiting the City will do well to call before purchasing. Personal attention given to orders. Charlotte, N. C., near the Court House, Dec. 3, 1880 2wpd