

ALL OVER THE STATE.

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Carefully Culled From Our Contemporaries and Compressed Into Small Articles.

DURHAM. Capt. L. M. Hawkins, of Greensboro, and Mr. Charles D. Vernon, of the Mt. Vernon Hotel at Salisbury, have rented the hotel at Durham.

Last week a difficulty occurred in Cedar Fork Township, between J. E. Morris, white and Geo. Hayes, colored, resulting in the latter being shot fatally.

The Supreme Court declares the Graded School act unconstitutional in the case of Riggsbee versus town of Durham, and the school will be closed.

Durham last week signed a contract for water works. The works will approximate in cost \$100,000 and are to be constructed by a Northern firm. The city takes eighty hydrants paying an annual rental of \$4,000.

The Board of Directors of the Durham and Roxboro railroad organized by the election of the following officers: President Julian S. Carr; Vice President, W. Duke; Secretary, Geo. W. Watts; Treasurer Eugene Morehead.

One night last week some one set fire to and burned nearly half a mile of the fence of T. B. Fowler, near Pittsboro.

A five-year old child of Mr. Jos. Riddle, of Chatham county, caught fire while alone at home and was burned to death.

A Baptist union meeting will be held with the church at Brush Creek, in Chatham, beginning on Friday, the 28th of May. The introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. J. F. Moore.

The Pittsboro Home continues its interesting discussion on "Chatham Worthies." Its number seven is upon Basil Manly, D. D., the eminent Baptist minister, brother of the late Governor and late Judge Manly.

John Dixon, who is subject to aberration of the mind, caused by epilepsy, left Pittsboro one day recently riding a bare-back mule and has not been heard from by his family. A reward is offered for him. His side is expected.

Mr. Greenberry Burns has shown the Pittsboro Record a curious looking stone, that seems to be a petrified terrapin with a hollow in each where the head and tail might have been. It was found on his mother's plantation in the lower edge of Chatham county.

Mr. Hasting P. Straghan, of Evans, Chatham county, has done something novel. He mounted a pair of monster spectacles on his horse, and that animal now goes along with two regular headlights in front of him. He is apparently pleased at his great amount of style and the curiosity he excites. Mr. Straghan says the animal's eyes were falling and almost a month ago he put on the spectacles. They had a happy effect. Mr. Straghan laughs as heartily as anybody at his novel scheme.

Goldboro will soon have a telephone exchange.

Deans, Pearson & Ham are erecting a saw mill near Goldboro, at a cost of \$3,500.

A Teacher's Institute for the colored teachers will be held in Wayne county during the month of June.

There was quite a fire at Dudley, on the W. & W. R. R., Friday night. Several stores and dwellings were destroyed. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

The Wayne county Teacher's Institute will open on Wednesday the 2nd of June, in the Graded School building, and will hold daily sessions until Tuesday the 22d. Prof. E. A. Alderman has been selected to conduct the Institute and he will be assisted by a competent corps of teachers.

A case of considerable interest was disposed of in the Superior Court at Goldsboro recently. Mr. A. McGowan, of Duplin brought suit against the W. & W. Railroad for the statute penalty for failure to transport freight with proper promptness. The Messenger says it seems that Mr. McGowan had delivered to the railroad at Mt. Olive, for shipment, a small lot of rice, and because of their negligence claims to have sustained a loss which he offered to compromise for \$14. This the company refused, and hence the suit. The jury gave him the full amount of the penalty provided by statute in such cases, amounting in this instance to \$1,850, from which verdict the railroad appealed.

STOKES. A Danbury lawyer has \$4,000 in mortgage notes to collect for a Winston firm.

Germantown is to have a tobacco warehouse, a stock company being in organization.

Stokes county hogs are dying very rapidly. The cause of the epidemic is said to be acorns.

The Danbury Reporter says that the County Surveyor was engaged nearly all last week in laying off new towns at Walnut Cove and Stokesburg. About three hundred lots were surveyed, and it is proposed to call the new town North and South Walnut Cove.

CLEVELAND. A Cleveland county woman brought suit to eject her husband from a tract of land which he had deeded her. The court found him off.

The Cleveland county bond question remains in statu quo. The chairman has not yet signed the bonds, nothing has been done since the report of the Investigating Committee by the County Commissioners, who were to meet on May 3d.

A year ago Mr. E. A. Morgan, of Shelby, gained a suit against the First National Bank of Charlotte for the recovery of usurious interest, getting \$1,100. An appeal was taken and the case went to the Supreme Court of North Carolina where the decision was confirmed. An appeal was again taken to a still higher Court, and now this little Cleveland county case is in the Supreme Court of the United States.

ALEXANDER. Prof. W. E. Hidden will resume operations in the gem regions of Alexander county soon.

Mr. Sam Jones, of Ellendale, Alexander county, was severely wounded, week before last, at a saw mill at All Heating Springs, this county.

There are to be several parties organized for the summer to go in search of gem stones in Alexander and some of the transmontaine counties. Emerald and the brighter shades of beryl, ruby, sapphire and the finer colored garnets and amethysts will be especially sought.

David Whittenberger, col. of Whittenberger township, Alexander county, killed his sister's four-year-old child. He lived on the land of his young master, D. M. Whittenberger; had been in a South Carolina penitentiary until about three months ago. He got angry with the child, picked it up and threw it into the house, injuring it internally as shown by post-mortem examination.

WAKE. The annual meeting of the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners will be held in Raleigh on the first of June.

The State Fair will be held this year Oct. 24th. The State and the Board of Agriculture give \$3,000. The management is determined to make it the greatest Fair yet held.

Mr. W. D. Powers, of Wake Forest, was killed by a train at Luna, a station on the Air Line Railroad, 65 miles from Atlanta. His remains were brought to Wake Forest for interment.

The several churches of Raleigh have met and agreed upon the time and place for a series of union services. An evangelist to conduct the meetings is to be secured. The opening of the services will be made early this month.

A telegram addressed to a colored man of Raleigh, was in about these words: "Will there be any difficulty in my marrying your daughter? She is perfectly willing. Answer immediately." The father refused to answer the telegram.

Mrs. Dr. Nathan O. Harris, nee Miss Lula Tucker, of Raleigh, died at the home of Mr. James Harris, in Atlanta, on April 23rd. Her body was conveyed to Raleigh for burial. Mrs. Harris had been married but one year. She was a daughter of Maj. R. S. Tucker.

BURKE. Burke raises but little cotton. This explains why corn sold recently at Capt. J. C. Tate's in Burke, at 39 cents a bushel, cash, at the crib.

Col. Calvin J. Cowles, late assayer in charge of the mint at Charlotte, has leased the Baker mine near Morganton. It is a quartz vein carrying a small percent of galena, assaying about \$10 in gold and fifteen ounces in silver to the ton. The mine was discovered some years ago by the gold in the surface dirt.

RUTHERFORD. Mr. B. W. Baker, of Sunshine, Rutherford county, on returning from Rutherford Court, was thrown from his sulky and seriously hurt, but is now able to walk.

Ex-Deputy Sheriff Ladson McCurry was tried at Rutherford Superior Court for selling mortgaged property in Chester, S. C. found guilty and judgment suspended until next Court when his trial for alleged embezzlement of \$1700 will occur.

UNION. A Monroe stock company propose building a large flouring mill.

Negotiations are under way for opening a large mining property in Union county soon.

Mrs. J. H. Stevens, of Union county, became insane last week. She was very violent and attempted to kill her children. A board of physicians met and ordered her to be taken to the insane asylum at Morganton. Just after they had made an examination, they found she had taken laudanum in a desperate attempt at suicide. Her life was saved.

ALAMANCE. The Gleaner is talking up a tobacco warehouse for Graham.

The Spring term of Eureka Academy, of which Mr. J. E. Thompson is principal, will close May 19th.

Andy Williams, colored, was killed by lightning Thursday while ploughing in a field on Haw river.

A bran-new still and eight stands of beer were cut up by revenue officers on Haw river, near the Guilford line, last week.

Married, April 24th, at the residence of Mr. C. P. Moore, Mr. James D. Albright and Miss Emma A. Evans, both of Haw River, N. C., G. W. P. Cates, J. P., officiating.

ANSON. The Mikado mine in Anson county, has been unwatered, and the water is being kept in for. Capt. Robinson will soon have the mine in full running order.

A little 18-months-old child of Mr. W. W. Taylor, of Burnsville township, Anson county, drank a quantity of strong home-made lye one day last week and died from the effects of it two days later.

RANDOLPH. Workmen are busy on the new factory building at Randleman.

M. Hammond, of Bush Hill, has made a discovery of a large vein of auriferous sulphide ore, which carries in addition to gold, a percentage of copper.

Mr. John Mendenhall, a well-known citizen of Grant township, committed suicide last week by hanging himself in the lot of his house. Bad health was the cause.

ROWAN. Mr. G. H. Lipe, of China Grove, Rowan county, has obtained a patent on a new car coupling device.

D. A. Sloop, of Atwell's township, in Rowan, has a large apple tree. It stands in his yard and measures, one foot from the ground nine feet six and one-half inches in circumference.

Mr. T. G. Cress, of Litaker township, picked up, while digging a post hole in his yard, a nugget of gold, which weighed 10dw and 5 grains. It was bright and clean, and looked as if water-worn.

Says the Salisbury Herald, Robt. Crawford, better known as "Bob," has sent his dog Scout to E. L. Height, a well-known trainer in Farmingdale, New Jersey, for the purpose of having him trained to enter the field trials at High Point this fall.

The Salisbury Herald has seldom seen an exhibition of physical strength superior to that of John Miller, who last Monday shouldered a bale of cotton at J. D. Gaskill's platform, walked with it across the road and back to the platform. John is spare built and does not seem to weigh over 140 pounds.

CABARRUS. Cabarrus county has more than 65 known mineral localities. Probably only four or five are active just now.

Miss Maggie Chine, of Cabarrus county, became insane a few weeks ago. Miss Chine was crossing a field when a vicious bull gave her pursuit and though she escaped, the shock was so great that the result was perfect insanity.

Dr. Grinble, of Matthews, recently caught an eel out of his fish pond that measured 9 inches in circumference, 32 inches in length and weighed four pounds and three ounces.

WILSON. Wilson has shipped 22,250 bales of cotton this season.

A calf in Wilson county, according to the Advance, sucks eggs like a dog.

The case of the Town and State vs. C. C. Daniels was up before the Superior Court last week. It will be remembered that we put in an engine to work our press with some time ago. The Town fined us one hundred dollars for running the engine. We took an appeal to court and the case was dismissed last week, because the Town exceeded its jurisdiction.—Wilson Advance.

NEW HANOVER. The Wilmington Gas Light Co. are preparing to renew and enlarge their plant.

Preparations for the lighting of Wilmington entirely by electricity are in progress. Mr. McNeat has the contract and has given bonds for the work. There will be fifty are lights of 2,000 candle power each to be located at the distance apart from each other of not more than 800 feet, making one at every other intersection of streets. Work will be begun immediately.

GUILFORD. Mr. Paalzow will erect a mill at High Point, for grinding bark.

An offer of \$20,000 has been made for the Gibsonville Gold Mine.

Dr. J. A. Hodges, of Fayetteville, will deliver the memorial address at Greensboro the 10th of May.

Mr. Ed and Bascom Field, of High Point, have moved to Greensboro and will manufacture tobacco.

The High Point National Bank will be opened for business the first day of June. The safe they have purchased is of the latest improved and most approved made and weighs about 7,500.

RICHMOND. Mr. Allen Patrick, of Rockingham, killed recently, a water moccasin which measured four feet and ten inches in length and was large in proportion.

Miss Lucy E. McInosh, of Wolf Pitt township, the young lady who a few weeks ago was bitten by dog supposed to be mad, was taken to Dr. Kollock, immediately, who lost no time in cutting out the affected part and cauterizing the wound. The place is healing favorably.

DAVIDSON. Notwithstanding the low price of tobacco preparation is being made for a large crop. New barns are being erected; ground is ready for setting, and plant beds look fine. Most farmers are done planting corn, though some will be planted yet. The dry weather injured gardens somewhat, but the late rains will bring them out, and the housewife smiles as she thinks potatoes and peas, corn and beans are things of the near future. The prospect is good for an abundant fruit crop, but the thought is fraught with sadness, when we remember that so much of it will be turned into that which causes misery and crime, crowds our jails and poor houses, and fills our country with mourning bloodshed and ruin.—The quiet of our neighborhood was broken last week, by three suspicious men, two colored and one white, supposed to be escaped convicts, who are hiding in the vicinity of Abbott's Creek church. Monday morning a negro girl living with Mr. J. P. Traynham, was returning from her uncle's, she saw one of the negroes behind a pile of wood. The girl started to run, and the man ran after, but she escaped and reached home, breathless and very much frightened. The alarm was given, and Esquire Davis and about thirty men hunted all day, but failed to catch the intruder. They have been seen several times since, once in Mr. Traynham's barn but have managed to escape and are still at large.—Rev. S. H. Thompson paid a flying visit to this vicinity last Saturday. He looks very happy, and reports the H. P. L. in a flourishing condition.—Rev. L. E. Duncan and family, and Miss Duncan, of the Southern Normal, spent the Easter holidays in this neighborhood, guest of Mr. E. E. Pitts. Miss Cora Pitts accompanied them. Mr. B. F. Megehee, a student in the Normal, also spent several days among us, he was the guest of Mr. N. W. Eason. He and Mr. E. E. Eason attended the Easter services of the Moravian church, Salem, and were much pleased. They were kindly entertained by Mr. Megehee's uncle, Mr. Henry Barrow. The Normal numbers about one hundred and thirty, largely boarding students. Commencement day, June 3rd.—Mr. C. W. Davis, singing school at Spring Hill, in this county, closes second Sunday in June, it numbers about fifty.—We are pleased to note the progress of THE SENTINEL and look forward with interest to the coming Serial, by Miss Jones. This is certainly a step in the right direction. North Carolina talent should be encouraged. We hail the day when we can have a good, pure literary paper in North Carolina. A Southern enterprise, its columns filled by Southern contributors. E. G. B. Abbotts Creek, May 3rd.

Rev. A. L. Crawford, of Lexington, will attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Augusta, Ga. Mr. Crawford will represent Orange Presbytery as one of the two clerical delegates.

The last issue of the Lexington Dispatch said, on last Monday, a deed of trust from Chas. Heitman to J. C. Buxton and J. B. Eldridge, for the benefit of creditors, was recorded in the office of the register of deeds. There are some preferences. The amount of assets and liabilities has not yet been ascertained; but the latter doubtless exceed the former.

CATAWBA. The wheat crop in Catawba and Lincoln counties will be the finest ever known, it is now believed.

Mr. Thomas Dixon, Jr., will deliver the Literary Address at Concordia College in Catawba county, May the 16th.

Able Shuford, Andrew W. Marshall and F. B. Alexander have incorporated at Hickory, the Carolina Foundry Co., capital stock \$4,250.

John Harwell, of Monbo, Catawba township, Catawba county, fell from the smoke house of L. C. Turner, and died from the injuries. His little girl died of sickness the same day. They were both buried in one grave at Concord church.

CUMBERLAND. A mad dog was killed near Fayetteville after having bitten several other dogs.

Rev. Dr. Hill has resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Fayetteville. He has been there some fifteen years or more.

JACKSON. The court house in Webster was in such a dilapidated state last week that Judge Shipp refused to hold court therein, consequently an old school house was the scene of a Justice Shop.

Messer, the man who shot and killed Sifton, recently, in Jackson county, was captured a few days ago at the house of his brother about five miles from Webster, and taken to jail. He was concealed under the floor, and it is alleged that a supposed friend

gave the officers information as to his whereabouts. The father of the deceased had offered a reward of one hundred dollars for Messer's capture.

MECKLENBURG. An electric light plant will be erected at Charlotte, by Mr. Robinson. Work is to be commenced soon.

A young man by the name of Morrow, at Pineville, while overheated drank a large quantity of water and died in consequence. A warning to others.

There is little doubt that the re-survey of the boundary between North and South Carolina in Mecklenburg county will give North Carolina quite a big piece of Territory long held by South Carolina. B. S. Alexander, of Charlotte, one of the commissioners appointed by Gov. Scales to investigate the disputed line, has a copy of Spencer's survey for examination. Governor Scales is making a vigorous effort to get at the real facts in the case.

HERE AND THERE. Forty people left Caswell for Idaho recently.

North Carolina has forty-three railroads in operation.

Over 200 boxes of peas are now shipped daily from New Bern.

Mt. Airy now has twenty-one stores against ten three or four years ago.

Purgatory is the name of a newly established postoffice in this State.

The Bollston mine, in Henderson county, has been stocked by a syndicate at \$100,000.

A cow belonging to a Mr. Stroup, of Lincoln county, died recently of hydrophobia.

It is claimed that the trade of Warrenton has increased ten-fold within the last six months.

The Prohibitionist of Yadkin county will hold a prohibition convention at Yadkinville on Saturday May 15th.

An effort is being made to change the place of meeting of the Press Convention from Shelby to Morehead city.

Judge Shepherd imposed a fine of \$5 at Tarboro last week upon a man who took a seat in the bar with his hat on.

At the mine of Mr. C. D. Bowers, on Iola, a solid block of very fine mica weighing 93 pounds, was dug out a few days since.

A train on the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad killed three chickens and the owner wants \$30 damages. The case is now in the superior court.

Col. W. P. Welch, of Athens, Ga., formerly of Waynesville, has bought a half interest in the Haywood White Sulphur Springs, paying for it \$25,000.

The Millidgeville cotton mill has received nine carloads of machinery, which they are hauling from Thomasville to their mill on the Yadkin river.

The committee of Congressmen to inspect the inland water ways on the coast of North Carolina, made a short visit. They have already returned to Washington.

J. Lee Crowell, a young student at Chapel Hill, has distinguished himself as an orator, having taken the gold medal. He is the son of J. T. Crowell, of Stanley county.

The improvement in the Western North Carolina Baptist since its removal to Asheville, is notable. Rev. Joseph E. Carter, the editor, is making it an interesting paper.

Miss Susan Reed, a maiden lady living on Upper Laurel, Madison county, died recently, at the age of 101 years. She never drank a cup of coffee in her life nor was ever married.

The Dan Valley Echo comes to us this week at the beginning of the second year of its life enlarged to an eight page paper. It is greatly improved. THE SENTINEL wishes it continued success.

The Methodist Episcopal Church at Henderson is preparing to build a new house of worship, and its committee has advertised for 300,000 brick. The building will doubtless be a handsome one.

Mr. Jason Maston, living near Bakersville, Mitchell county, sold \$400 worth of German carp in the past few weeks. He was also offered \$10 for one of his breeders, which he refused.

Mr. G. M. Setzer, proprietor of the English handle works at Troutman's, Iredell county, left last week for England and the Continent, where he will remain some time in the interest of his factory.

The Baptist church at Sassafras Fork is expected to be completed in about a month. It will be quite a large and handsome building with seating capacity of nearly five hundred persons. Rev. Mr. Stradler is the pastor.

David Bell, of Pelletier's Mills, N. C., found a very small pearl in an oyster seven years ago. He wrapped it in paper and laid it in a trunk, and the New Bern Journal says that it has grown from the size of a BB shot to the size of a small marble. During the seven years it has not been wet.

The notorious "moonshiner" of the swamps of Lenoir county, George Jones, who for the past ten or fifteen years has succeeded in evading arrest and still continued to run an illicit distillery, was on Saturday morning arrested by Deputy U. S. Collector H. P. Dorch, assisted by Police Officers L. L. Spicer, of Goldsboro, and the Messrs. Rhodes of Kinston.

A serious cutting affair occurred at Rawls' Bridge, in Greene county, Saturday night in which a young fellow named Brit, who is a notorious fussy character, out two young men who were trying to get him to come out of a barroom in which he was drinking. The young men who were cut are Messrs. Steve and Tom Thompson, brothers, and one of them is reported to be very seriously if not fatally injured.

The body of an old farmer named Nathaniel Modlin, living near Fowellsville, who mysteriously disappeared on the 9th of April, was found buried in the woods near his home. An examination of the body showed that the man had been hanged, and the skull was fractured in two places. Suspicion pointed to W. B. Styron, the stepson of Modlin, as the murderer, and he was arrested and lodged in jail at Windsor. At the Coroner's inquest the evidence was very damaging against Styron.

Mr. W. T. Shipp, Mt. Holly, had a very narrow escape from drowning two weeks ago, in the Tuckasee ford, which was badly washed out during the freshet which occurred a day or so previous. He was returning from a trip to Charlotte, in a buggy and had a negro boy with him, when, after getting well on his way across the ford, he found the water running over the dashboard of his buggy, and his horse floating. Mr. Shipp made the negro boy get on the horse and weight him down so that he could pull, and got out safely after much trouble, a wetter and wiser man.

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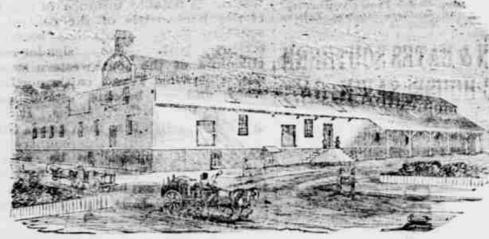
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