

**Locals.**

**MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS AND MAGISTRATES.**—The County Commissioners and also the County Magistrates met Monday. The former had under consideration sundry pauper claims against the county a large number of which were allowed, amounting in the aggregate to about \$1,000. The session was continued over yesterday for the consideration of matters pertaining to the insane of the county. A letter was received some time ago from Dr. P. L. Murphy, Superintendent of the Western Insane Asylum at Morganton, stating that the North wing of the Asylum had been completed and that the Asylum could now receive a larger number of patients. He requested the Commissioners to make out a list of the insane in this county, with the history of each, that the Asylum, while it could not probably take all, might take as many as it could, especially of those that most needed attention. The board had this matter under consideration yesterday.

An order was passed Monday authorizing J. P. Binkley to give out a contract for the construction of a new bridge across Ellison's creek at Craft & Harper's Mills. A stock law election was ordered for Lewisville township, to be held on the 10th of July next.

At the meeting of Magistrates the tax levy was agreed upon at 20 cents on the \$100 valuation and 60 cents on the poll. An election of County Commissioners was held, resulting in the re-election of two of the old board, A. E. Conrad and T. J. Valentine, and J. W. Fries in place of N. Cook.

A. I. Butner was re-elected County Superintendent of Public Instruction.

What is known as the alternative system of working the roads, which provides for working them partly by labor as now and by a special tax, was adopted by a vote of 20 to 19, the third time this matter has been before the Magistrates—having been previously twice beaten.

**OUR TOBACCO FACTORIES.**—Tobacco manufacturing is the chief, but not the only industry of Winston. We look at the towering brick walls with the hundreds of busy hands in each, but few of us think of the amount of money it takes to keep these establishments running nor of the amount of money they put in circulation. Inquiry from well-informed gentlemen elicits the information that in the factories now in operation the weekly wages paid to operatives, excluding superintendents, bookkeepers, clerks and others not directly employed in manipulating the tobacco, amounts to \$13,500, \$54,000 a month or \$378,000 for the working season of seven months. This money is promptly paid at the end of every week. But little of this goes into the stocking, at least nineteen twentieths being spent as it is earned for clothing, groceries and other articles of daily use or consumption. If clerk hire, &c., were included it would add considerably to this sum of \$13,500 weekly, which is no small amount of cash to send out and keep moving, a fact which our merchants and tradesmen have doubtless realized by this time.

If we add to this the amount of money our manufacturers pay to farmers for leaf tobacco, it would be seen at a glance how they are contributing not only to the prosperity of the town but of the country as well. We hope in time to see Winston increase her other manufacturing interests until they keep pace with tobacco, for every new one started is another step forward in the march of progress and prosperity.

**LOCAL OPTION.**—The local option election in Winston township Monday was quiet and orderly, and conducted with good nature, although considerable interest and activity were shown on both sides. It seemed to some so close at the Winston polls that during the day opinions were divided as to the result, but when the ballots were counted it was found that prohibition had a majority of 69, while Salem gave a majority of 28 on the same side, making the majority in the township 97. Tuesday morning the bars were closed.

The other towns heard from so far report Reidsville for License 76 majority, Charlotte 429 majority, Asheville 114, Goldsboro —; Raleigh for prohibition 60 majority, Concord 25. Durham and Statesville and a number of other towns wet, when about as many are reported to have gone dry.

—Mr. J. W. Harrell, of this city, has invented an automatic car coupler, for which he has applied for letters patent.

**A NORTH CAROLINA INVENTION—A COMPLETE SUCCESS.**—THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER advertises no humbugs or frauds, if it knows it. It is proud of the character of its advertising patronage. It will be found ever ready to aid in bringing to the attention of the public, enterprises of merit, and particularly those of our own citizens. We have more than once presented the claims and merit of inventions by our people in our editorial columns, which were not even represented in our advertising columns. This paper is devoted to the up-building of North Carolina and all her interests. And now that the "harvest time" is upon us, we feel that it is a duty we owe to the farmers throughout the State to call their attention to the "Tate Victor Grain and Seed Separator and Grader" advertised by the Winston Agricultural Works. We commend this machine to them without reserve or hesitation. We have seen it thoroughly tested and know that it will do all that is claimed for it, and we freely assert that it has no equal on the market as a hand machine. We believe that every farmer who raises wheat, oats, rye, barley, clover or grass, should have one. This is no "paid-for puff," but it is our free and unsolicited opinion, given simply and only for the benefit of our readers. Read the advertisement carefully and write to the Winston Agricultural Works, Winston, N. C., for further information.

**SALEM ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT.**—We return acknowledgements for an invitation to the commencement exercises at Salem Female Academy, from 13th to 17th inst. inclusive. Reduced rates have been secured on the railroads for visitors attending the exercises.

The following is the programme: Baccalaureate Sermon, Sunday, 13th, 10:30 a. m. by Rev. Edward Rondthaler. Senior essays Tuesday 15th, 7:45 p. m. Art exhibition Wednesday 16th, 2 to 4 p. m. Concert Wednesday 16th, 7:45 p. m. Commencement Thursday 17th, 9 a. m. The oration will be delivered by Hon. W. C. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, one of the most finished orators in the country.

The diplomas will be presented by Rev. Robert DeSchweinitz. The graduating class numbers twenty-six.

—The Mayor has issued a poster notifying the citizens of Winston that the health ordinances of the city must be observed under penalty of law, penalty for violation ranging from \$1.00 to \$10.00. Back yards, pig pens, out houses, &c., must be looked after and be made clean and inoffensive, and be kept so. The Sanitary Committee should attend to business, for people who surround themselves with filth not only endanger their own health and lives, but also the health and lives of others.

**FINE BUILDINGS.**—Mr. D. H. Starbuck is having the foundation dug for a large building on Main street, adjoining the Orinoco Warehouse on the south. It will be three stories high, store rooms on the first floors and the second and third stories arranged in suits of rooms for offices or for dwellings. The architecture of the structure will be attractive.

—A colored individual the other day accosted another sable citizen with the remark: "What I want to revolve is, what gal was dat?" The sable citizen showed his ivory, while the interrogator proceeded to revolve.

—A number of peach orchards have been set out between Winston and Greensboro, some of them of considerable extent. Our fruit men seem to be giving attention to the peach.

—Work on the new jail is progressing. a large force of brick-layers are employed and the walls are going up rapidly. When completed it will be one of the best equipped jails in the State.

**A F-OWL PROCEEDING.**—The white owl which has for some time attracted so much attention has closed his career, or rather it has been closed by Maj. Young, who Monday last chloroformed his owlship even unto death. The skin was then deftly taken off and stuffed as was addition to the Major's bird gallery.

—Dr. D. W. C. Benbow, of Greensboro, lost two cows Saturday night, one fine Jersey. A number of others are sick, all suddenly attacked Saturday night. The cause is unknown but it looks like a case of poisoning. The stomach of one of the cows was sent to Dr. Dabney, State Chemist, at the experiment station, for analysis.

**Our Exchanges.**

—Cleveland county is out of debt and has \$6,000 cash in her treasury.

—In excavating at the Warm Springs recently, when a point some ten feet below the surface was reached, a heavy, plain, solid gold ring was found, which, according to Mr. C. Cowan, contained full \$21.00 in pure gold. It has engraved in it the name of a gentleman of New York. According to best evidences the ring must have been under ground at least forty years.—*Asheville Citizens.*

—The *Courier* is informed that the branch road from the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad to a point near our Factories is now an assured fact. Wheat and corn in Uwharrie and Caraway low grounds seriously damaged—much of the corn land will have to be laid off and planted a second time.—Three more of Chatham's blockade stills went "where the woodbine twineth" last week. The old county seems to be about as prolific in moonshiners as she is in curiosities.—*Asheboro Courier.*

—We are informed that a gentleman living near this city was plowing a few days ago, and a peculiar noise on the branch near by attracted his attention. He went down to ascertain the cause, and beheld a most peculiar sight. A turtle had partially swallowed a frog, all except the hind legs. A water moccasin had hold of these and there was lively pulling going on as to which should have the frog, the turtle or the snake. The farmer broke up the meeting and the turtle adjourned very much disgusted.—*Charlotte Chronicle.*

—The collections of internal revenue in this district during May were \$59,827.56.—During May, forty-six drummers' licenses were issued from the State treasury.—In the northwestern part of the city several new cottages are just begun. Eight years ago only one house stood in what was then known as the Saunders field. Now many handsome residences crown the hill, and the place can scarcely be recognized.—Sleeping cars will soon be put on the North Carolina railroad from Asheville to Morehead, it is said. It is also stated that parlor cars will be put on that line, and that a sleeping car will run to Goldsboro and thence to Wilmington. When all the gauges are changed there will be many new sleeper routes.—*Raleigh News and Observer.*

—J. M. Clement, a leading member of the Mocksville bar, died at his home in that place, of consumption, last Friday night.

**Winston Tobacco Market.**

CORRECTED WEEKLY AT THE WAREHOUSES.

Breaks moderately fair during past week with an improvement in prices on very desirable sweet Tobacco, both wrappers and fillers.

Prospects are sales will be heavy this week.

LUGS—Common,.....	\$ 2.00	to	\$ 3.00
"    Medium,.....	4.00	to	5.00
"    Good,.....	7.00	to	9.00
"    Fine,.....	13.00	to	14.00
LEAF—Common,.....	\$ 3.00	to	\$ 4.00
"    Medium,.....	6.00	to	8.00
"    Good,.....	10.00	to	12.50
CUTTERS—Good,.....	\$18.00	to	\$20.00
"    Fine,.....	22.00	to	30.00
RICH, WAXY FILLERS,.....	\$10.00	to	\$14.00
WRAPPERS—Common,.....	\$18.00	to	\$20.00
"    Medium,.....	22.00	to	25.00
"    Good,.....	35.00	to	40.00
"    Fine,.....	50.00	to	60.00

**Produce Market.**

The prices of many of the articles enumerated below are materially affected by the "law of supply and demand," but this table is corrected weekly by some of our largest and most reliable dealers, and our readers may accept the quotations as approximately correct:

Wheat, white, per bushel,.....	\$1.00	to	\$1.25
"    red, " " " " " "	.80	to	1.10
Corn, per bushel,.....	.60	to	.65
Corn Meal, per hundred,.....	1.40	to	1.50
Oats, per bushel,.....	.50	to	.60
Beans, per bushel,.....	.80	to	1.00
"    white,.....	1.00	to	1.50
Peas, " " " " " "	.75	to	1.00
Flax Seed, per hundred,.....	1.25	to	1.40
Flour, " " " " " "	2.25	to	3.75
Hay, " " " " " "	.75	to	1.00
Butter, fresh, per lb.,.....	15	to	25
"    in firkins, per lb.,.....	12	to	13
Beeswax, per lb.,.....	20	to	25
Tallow, " " " " " "	8	to	7
Country Meat, hog round, per lb.,.....	6 1/2	to	7 1/2
"    Hams, per lb.,.....	10	to	12
"    Shoulders, per lb.,.....	7	to	8
"    Spring,.....	20	to	28
Eggs, per doz.,.....	12 1/2	to	20
Honey, strained, per gallon,.....	1.00	to	1.25
"    in comb, per lb.,.....	.50	to	1.00
Irish Potatoes, new crop, per bush,.....	1.00	to	1.10
Strawberries, per quart,.....	5	to	15
Cherries, per gallon,.....	15	to	25

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY!**

**Premiums to the Workers!**

FOR THE FARMERS, FOR THE LADIES, FOR THE BOYS AND FOR THE GIRLS.

THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is a live, and as its name indicates, a progressive paper, devoted to the interests of the farmers of North Carolina, and will be filled each week with twenty-five columns of reading matter, editorial, correspondence from leading farmers and others, farm notes for the farmer, household receipts for the housekeeper, stories for young and old, miscellaneous matter, mirth, wit, &c., for all.

It will be kept up to the full standard of modern agricultural journalism. We propose to make it a paper that North Carolina farmers may not only read with profit, but one of which they may be proud.

We hope in the near future to see it become a weekly visitor in the households of thousands of farmers.

In this work we have the sympathies and good wishes of many friends, who send us cheering words and write us encouraging letters, all of which we appreciate.

We want our friends to help us extend the circulation of this paper. We do not expect nor ask them to give us their time for nothing, and accordingly we offer as compensation for the service that may be rendered us in securing clubs of subscribers for one year, the following

**SPLENDID PREMIUM LIST**

embracing articles of real value to the farmer, to the farmer's wife, to the boy and to the girl.

There is no chance work, no prize lottery business, in this, and no Cheap John goods are offered.

Every one who works for us is sure of getting either one of the premiums offered, and everything offered is guaranteed by us and by the responsible parties who supply them as being up to the standard and of full value as represented.

The premiums will be securely packed, addressed to the getters up of clubs and placed on the cars at Winston free of cost.

Clubs of over sixteen may be divided between two or more post offices, but clubs of sixteen or under must be addressed to one post office.

The offer of this premium list will hold good for three months, that is to the first of June next. Now here is a chance for active men, good women, boys and girls, to help us extend the circulation of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER, get a substantial and valuable premium, and benefit themselves.

The receipt of lists for clubs will be duly acknowledged in our columns from week to week.

If you don't want any of the premiums send us six subscribers and get your own copy free.

**Without a Dollar you may get one of J. P. Nissen's celebrated Two-Horse Wagons.**

For a Club of 200 yearly subscribers sent to us with the CASH, by the 1st of September next, we will give a J. P. NISSEN WAGON, two-horse, medium, complete with cover, worth \$80.00.

To the one who shall send us the largest number of subscribers over 200, we will give a Wagon and a splendid double set of Hand Made Harness complete, Bridles, Collars and Reins, worth \$95.00.

- No. 1. FOR A CLUB OF 25. One Leader Corn Shelter. Capacity 25 to 40 bushels per hour, worth \$10.00.
- No. 2. FOR A CLUB OF 16. One Smith Feed Cutter, worth \$6.50.
- No. 3. FOR A CLUB OF 9. One plantation Bell, with fixtures complete for hanging, weight 75 pounds, \$3.75.
- No. 4. FOR A CLUB OF 8. One Farmers' Friend Plow with wrench, extra point and mould board, worth \$3.25.
- No. 5. FOR A CLUB OF 50. One Double-barrel Breech Loading Shot Gun. 30 inch barrels, No. 12 gauge, worth \$20.00.
- No. 6. FOR A CLUB OF 26. One China Set of 56 pieces, worth \$10.50.
- No. 7. FOR A CLUB OF 7. One Disston's Cross Cut Saw, six feet long, worth \$2.50.
- (The above goods we get from S. E. Allen, Winston, N. C.)
- No. 8. FOR A CLUB OF 25. One Dexter Corn Shelter, without fan. Capacity 25 to 40 bushels per hour, worth \$10.00.
- No. 9. FOR A CLUB OF 30. The Dexter Shelter, with fan, worth \$12.00.
- No. 10. FOR A CLUB OF 8. One Boy Dixie Plow, wrench, extra point and mould board, worth \$3.25.
- No. 11. FOR A CLUB OF 32. One Double-barrel Shot Gun. Muzzle loader, 40 inch, steel barrels, worth \$13.00.
- No. 12. FOR A CLUB OF 6. Four splendid Steel Hoes, worth \$2.00.
- No. 13. FOR A CLUB OF 14. One eight day, walnut frame Clock, worth \$5.00.
- No. 14. FOR A CLUB OF 8. One day Clock, with weights, worth \$2.75.
- No. 15. FOR A CLUB OF 9. One day Clock, walnut frame, worth \$3.50.
- No. 16. FOR A CLUB OF 4. One day Nickel Clock, worth \$1.50.
- No. 17. FOR A CLUB OF 7. One day Nickel Clock, with alarm attachment, worth \$2.50.
- No. 18. FOR A CLUB OF 25. One good silver Watch, genuine American lever, worth \$10.00.
- (These goods we get from W. T. Vogler, Winston, N. C., and are guaranteed.)
- No. 19. FOR A CLUB OF 32. One No. 7 "Selmo" Cook Stove, with 13 pieces and 3 joints of pipe and one elbow—a splendid Cook Stove, worth \$13.25.
- No. 20. FOR A CLUB OF 27. Sixty-six feet of 10 inch Tobacco Flues with six elbows and two caps, an outfit for a barn 16 feet square, worth \$10.80.
- No. 21. FOR A CLUB OF 7. One Tin Chamber Set, 3 pieces and neatly painted, worth \$2.50.
- (These goods we get from Giersh, Senseman & Co., Salem, N. C.)
- No. 22. FOR A CLUB OF 9. One Patch Hand Corn Shelter, to be attached to an ordinary box, guaranteed and will last a life time, worth \$3.00.
- No. 23. FOR A CLUB OF 17. One Kitchen Safe, 3 shelves, one drawer—all poplar and very neat, worth \$7.00.
- No. 24. FOR A CLUB OF 11. One Dining Table, 3x4 feet, with drawer—all poplar and very neat, worth \$4.50.
- No. 25. FOR A CLUB OF 35. One Dressing Case, 3 drawers, quarter marble, 2 toilet drawers and glass—walnut and very neat, worth \$14.00.
- (These goods we get from A. C. Vogler, Salem, N. C.)
- No. 26. For a Club of 30. One "Daisy" Feed Cutter, 6 inch blades, worth \$12.00.
- No. 27. For a Club of 35. One "Telegraph" Feed Cutter, No. 5, worth \$14.00.
- No. 28. For a Club of 18. One Saddle, quilted seat, all stock, worth \$7.50.
- No. 29. For a Club of 25. One Single Buggy or Single Wagon Harness, with bridle, reins and collar, worth \$10.00.
- No. 30. For a Club of 37. One Set Double Wagon Harness, bridles, collars and reins, hand made, worth \$15.00.
- No. 31. For a Club of 9. One Clipper Plow (one horse) extra point and mould board, worth \$3.50.
- No. 32. For a Club of 3. One Pair neat Andriens, worth \$1.00.
- No. 33. For a Club of 15. One Hand Saw, one Chisel 1/2 inch, one Chisel 1 inch, one Auger 3/4 inch, one Drawing Knife, one Hammer, one Square and one Hatchet—all first class, worth \$6.00.
- For a Club of 3. One good Brace, adjustable socket, with 4 bits, worth \$1.40.
- (These goods we get from Brown, Rogers & Co., Winston, N. C.)
- No. 34. For a Club of 8. One Sack (107 pounds) Lister's Ammoniated Phosphate for Tobacco, worth \$3.35.
- No. 35. For a Club of 10. One Sack (200 pounds) of either British Mixture, G. Ober & Son's Special Compound, Owl Brand Tobacco Guano, or Game Guano—all for Tobacco, worth \$4.00.
- (These goods we get from W. T. Carter & Co., Winston, N. C.)
- No. 36. For a Club of 50. One Tate's Victor Grain and Seed Separator and Grader, with wheat screens complete—capacity 20 bushels per hour. Has complete self bagging arrangement. Will give four grades of the grain—bagging each grade separately if desired. The best and simplest Separator or Fan in the United States, worth \$22.50 (Manufactured by Winston Agricultural Works, Winston, N. C., and guaranteed.)

Send names, with post office and county plainly written, with cash, addressed to L. L. POLK, PROGRESSIVE FARMER, WINSTON, N. C. Now go to work and see who can send us the most names in the shortest time.