

The Old-Time Darkey.

(By Josie Frazee Cappleman.)
 They are going, fast they're going
 From the old-time cabin door,
 At the places now that know them
 Will know them soon no more;
 Aye, the "Uncle" and the "Auntie"
 With the bygones soon will be,
 And no more of "Marse and Missus"
 Will there come to you and me.
 No more the crooning "Mammy,"
 Softly swaying too and fro,
 With her love unchanged, enduring,
 Will the Southland's wee ones know,
 No more that careless sing-song,
 In measure quaint and droll,
 Will o'erflow from hearts so happy
 Till of music seemed each soul.
 No more that admiration,
 And that darkey-pride so great,
 In all the fleecy acres,
 Of his master's vast estate,
 No more that fond affection
 For the household on the hill,
 For the trusty old-time darkey
 Had no equal—nor e'er will.
 No more that joy, the wildest
 That a rustic race e'er knew,
 When the Christmas feasts were ready
 And that day no work to do;
 Or the marriage of "Young Missus"
 To some magnate of the land,
 When the darkey shared the glory
 Of the bravest of that band.
 No more that profoundest,
 When "Ole Mars" or "Missus" died
 Or the baby from the "big house"
 Was lowered by their side,
 For the darkey mourned as truly
 For the master and his kind
 As the faithful in the annals
 Of grief we ever find.
 And to me one good old "Auntie,"
 Still is spared, tho' brief her days,
 And I oft in silence wonder
 At her dear, old darkey ways;
 Still, when sickness comes, or sorrow,
 Other friends may faint and fall,
 But "Black Mammy" never falters—
 She is faithful thro' it all.
 With a heart surcharged with sorrow
 Do I watch them pass away,
 For the Old South with them endeth,
 And the New assumes its way—
 With the passing of the old darkey
 Of that good old golden time,
 Passeth out forever
 That fair epoch of our clime.

TAR DROPS.

—Keep your premises clean.
 —Court is over until October.
 —Monday next is first Monday.
 —And now its the river that's
 "full."
 —Louisburg Graded Schools open
 Tuesday.
 —Right many old soldiers were
 here yesterday.
 —Fruit has been scarce around
 here this summer.
 —Tonight is regular meeting of
 the "city fathers."
 —We have had several nice show-
 ers the past week.
 —Louisburg Female College opens
 Tuesday one week.
 —Quite a number took in the ex-
 cursion to Norfolk Tuesday.
 —A good number of people en-
 joyed the picnic here yesterday.
 —Read the change of advertise-
 ment of Aycock Drug Co. in this
 issue.
 —Register of Deeds Yarborough
 has a force hard at work on the tax
 lists.
 —The many friends of Mr. Robert-
 Bailey will be glad to learn that
 he is improving.
 —The Citizens Bank of Hender-
 son has something new to say to our
 readers this week.
 —The tobacco men have been
 somewhat busy the past week pre-
 paring for their opening.
 —Those of our subscribers who
 wish to can make us a payment on
 their subscription in wood.
 —A moving picture show exhib-
 ited in the Opera House here on last
 Friday and Saturday nights.
 —Let everybody take an interest
 in upbuilding their town. It will
 pay you in more ways than one.
 —There was not quite so much
 horse trading here last week as is
 usually the case on court weeks.
 —Little Misses Janie and Rebekah
 Pearce, of Franklinton, visited their
 aunt, Mrs. C. K. Cooke, the past
 week.
 —Miss Kittie Foster, who is now
 located at Franklinton, is spending
 some time with relatives in and near
 Louisburg.

—N. F. Pendleton brought in the
 first load of tobacco this season and
 it was placed on the Riverside Ware-
 house floor.
 —See the announcements of the
 Mighty Haag Railroad Shows, in our
 next issue. They will exhibit here
 on September 18th.
 —The attention of our readers is
 called to the change of advertise-
 ment of Dr. Francis S. Packard in
 another column in this issue.
 —Tear down that old fence and
 put a coat of fresh paint on that coal
 house. It will increase the value of
 your property fifty per cent;
 —The "two balls no baby" and
 the "African Dip" games have left
 town. What a blessing to the aver-
 age man who patronized them.
 —We learn that Candler-Crowell
 Co., are filling their store "full up"
 with fall and winter bargains—they
 know how to appreciate the value of
 advertising.
 —A teachers meeting will be held
 here on Saturday the 9th of Septem-
 ber for the white public school
 teachers in Franklin county. Every-
 one should attend.
 —The spirit of reciprocity between
 man and the mechanic tradesman
 and laborer, farmer and manufactur-
 er, results every time in making the
 town a perfect one to do business in.
 —Those of our readers who have
 had experience with a stubborn gas-
 oline engine can appreciate the ex-
 periences the editor and his force
 have been enjoying the past week.
 —The many friends of the family
 of Mr. D. F. McKinne will regret
 to learn of the illness of his little
 son, at last reports however he was
 doing as nicely as could be expected.
 —Its dollars to doughnuts that
 the man at home whom you show
 no confidence in is a hundred times
 more worthy than the stranger you
 take into your business and social
 confidence.
 —A slandering tongue is more to
 be dreaded than the most loathsome
 reptile that crawls upon the face of
 the earth for he will give warning
 before he strikes you—but a slan-
 derer—never.
 —It will be to the interest of our
 many readers to make it their pur-
 pose to look up and read every ad-
 vertisement in this issue. They are
 many and all are full of interest for
 those who have to purchase.
 —We are requested to state that
 there will be a Lawn Party at Mrs.
 Bob Roberts given by the W. M. S.
 of Flat Rock church, on Friday af-
 ternoon, September 1st. Every-
 body is most cordially invited.
 —Every citizen in a town should
 be interested in its prosperity. One
 of the best ways to help a town is to
 speak well of it. It is true patriotism
 to stand by your own town, and in-
 terests that effect the town should
 effect every citizen.
 —We are here to give you a news-
 paper. Our ambition is to let no
 item escape us. However, we can only
 be in one place at a time, so if
 you see an item getting away from
 us please capture it and deliver it at
 the office and great shall be the
 reward.
 —Strange what made that dress
 wear out so quickly. Paid a good
 price for it and it should have lasted
 two summers. Bought it away from
 home, didn't you? Serves you right!
 If you had purchased it at home it
 would have been as good as new
 right now.
 —Telephone subscribers will add
 to their directories the following
 new phones: J. W. Weathers, resi-
 dence, 195; J. H. Finlator, residence,
 197; Dr. A. H. Fleming, residence,
 207. And will mark off the follow-
 ing: J. W. Hollingsworth, street 30,
 and residence 116.
 —Every farmer who provides
 himself with as lovely a residence as
 his means will permit, surrounded
 with a neat lawn and a well culti-
 vated farm, is a blessing to any com-
 munity. This county may consider
 itself lucky indeed to have so many
 industrious farmers of this stamp.
 —We are pleased to see many of
 our citizens taking active interest in
 improving their homes and grounds.
 A little effort on the part of each
 citizen would give our town a prom-
 inent position upon the map. Na-
 ture has done much for us in pic-
 turesque scenery, now let us do
 much for ourselves along the im-
 provement line.
 —No "pipe dream" about this.
 You may put it in your pipe and
 smoke it: The real goblin that will
 get you if you don't watch out is the
 great big Mail Order goblin. This
 goblin has got the bulk of the busi-
 ness in many communities. Do not
 let it ruin our community. It is the
 greatest detriment and in the end
 will be the means of lowering prop-
 erty value. If you are loyal to your
 home town you will patronize your
 home merchant.
 —There is a minister who appre-
 ciates the editor. At a recent edi-
 torial convention he offered the fol-
 lowing toast: "To save an editor
 from starvation, take his paper and
 pay for it promptly. To save him
 from bankruptcy, advertise in his pa-
 per liberally. To save him from de-
 pair send him every item of news of
 which you can get hold. To save
 him from profanity, write your cor-
 respondence plainly on one side of
 the sheet and send it in as soon as
 possible. To save him from mis-
 takes, bury him. Dead people are
 the only ones that never make mis-
 takes."
 —We notice in the Postmaster
 General's report a suggestion that
 people writing letters should sign
 their full names and addresses to
 their letters, and there would never
 be a letter but what could be re-
 turned if it failed to reach the per-
 son it was intended for. The re-
 port suggests a better way than that
 too, but one which is a little more
 expensive. That is to have a small
 card printed on the corner of the
 envelope. This will cost only a
 trifle and if the letter cannot be de-
 livered to the address, or the ad-
 dress should be wrong, the letter
 would come back in the course of
 five to seven days, instead of going
 through the dead letter office, and
 finally being returned to the writer
 after a lapse of two weeks or more.
 The latter suggestion is much the
 best, and can be adapted at a very
 small expense.

How the No-Fence Law Will Help.


One of our exchanges gives as a
 reason for opposing the no-fence law
 that "while other counties that have
 adopted the no-fence policy put
 scarcely no beef and pork on the
 market, Brunswick county yet has
 her herds of cattle, her flocks of
 sheep, and every year sells wool,
 pork, and beef in increasing values."
 Perhaps the adoption of a no-
 fence law means, in most cases, a
 temporary decrease in the amount of
 live stock kept; but it is well to re-
 member, on the other hand, that in
 the sections where the most and
 the best live stock is raised no one
 would ever dream of turning his ani-
 mals out in the highways to hunt
 their own living. It is a literal im-
 possibility to raise good stock when
 under free range conditions. The
 plea of our exchange for a better
 grade of live stock will necessarily
 be fruitless so long as all stock are
 permitted to run at large. Good ani-
 mals can not be expected from scrub
 bulls and razor-back boars. Then
 there is the cattle tick, and it is there
 to remain while the free range re-
 mains. These condition may do
 for folks who are content to raise a
 few surplus hogs and cattle of poor
 quality; but if the people of any
 county expect ever to have a live
 stock industry worthy of the name,
 they may just as well realize that
 two of the first steps must be to stop
 the perpetuation of their kind by
 scrub sires, and to eradicate the
 cattle tick. To do either, the no-
 fence law is necessary.—Raleigh (N.
 C.) Progressive Farmer.

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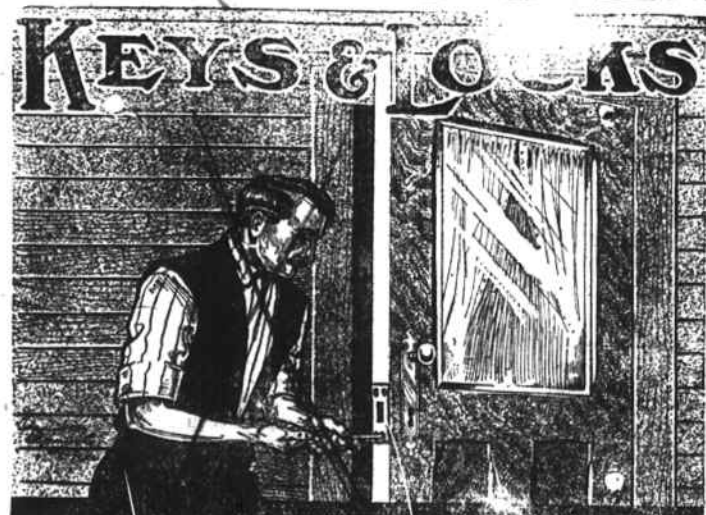
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