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OYSTERS. SHORTER DAYS. GUNNING SEASON. THIS IS PRESERVING SEASON. THE WHITE DRESS IS GOING. STEP UP AND PAY YOUR DOG TAX. TRAVEL IS LIGHT ON ALL THE ROADS. USE LIME FREELY IN YOUR BACK LOTS. THIS TIME LAST YEAR COTTON WAS OPENING RAPIDLY.

NEWEST STOCKINGS HAVE POLKA DOTS AS BIG AS POKER CHIPS. CHICKENS ARE HIGH AND ONLY THE WEALTHY CAN INDULGE.

SOME OF THE CORN IS ROUTED IN THE FIELDS DURING THE LATE WEATHER.

VACATION IS OVER AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS ARE RETURNING TO SCHOOL.

MURDERER WANTED.—A telegram was received from the authorities at Plymouth Tuesday morning by Chief of Police Hancock asking him to look out for and arrest a white man by the name of Bob Lee Askew charged with murder. Askew is described as being about five feet eleven inches high, 180 pounds in weight, muscular build, no beard, light short hair and blue eyes, and with a scar on the upper lip. No such man has been seen here.

DIED.—Mrs. Robert Reese died at her husband's home in Garysburg, on Thursday last after an illness of only about two weeks. She had been married a little more than a year. Her husband has the sympathy of the entire community in his sad bereavement.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. S. G. Neville which occurred at his home near Aurelian Springs, Tuesday last, of typhoid fever. He was in his 28th year and leaves a wife and one child.

PASTORATE DECLINED.—The Rev. W. L. Wright, of Reidsville, N. C., was called to the pastorate of the Baptist church made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Hufham who has accepted a call to Tarboro. Mr. Wright visited Scotland Neck about two weeks ago and preached. Since then he has declined the call for the reason that he thinks duty calls him to another field. The church in Scotland Neck regrets Mr. Wright's decision.

HIGHER SPEED ALLOWED.—At the meeting of the Board of Commissioners Monday night representations were made to it which made it appear that the rates of speed for trains and locomotives which had been fixed at eight and four miles an hour worked great disadvantage to the railroads and the Board amended the ordinance by raising the speed to ten and eight miles an hour. Engineers will be required to conform strictly to this ordinance as it now stands.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM A HORRIBLE DEATH.—Tuesday morning Tom Harvey, a colored man, was standing on the track of the W. & W. road talking. He saw one train moving and kept his eye on it, but did not see another coming toward him on the track on which he was standing. It struck him, threw him down, rolled him over several times in front of the wheels and finally threw him entirely off the track. His clothes were badly torn but he was unhurt. He had a narrow escape from a horrible death.

AN UNNATURAL ACT.—A foreigner by the name of Golubbeck, who keeps an unsavory business stand here, turned his ten-year-old son into the streets Friday night for a trivial offence and forbid him to enter the house. The boy crawled upon an old shed and passed the night there. The night was exceedingly inclement and the action of the unnatural father is severely condemned. The mayor was notified and informed the irate father that the boy must be fed and sheltered.

A large lot of broken suits of clothing at cost. P. N. Stainback & Bro. One set marble top furniture at cost. P. N. Stainback & Bro.

NO FAIR THIS YEAR.—The authorities of the fair have, after considering the matter carefully, determined to have no exhibition this year. The action was taken in view of the short crops and the Southern Exposition at Raleigh, which two facts would in all probability militate seriously against the success of the fair. This is the first season in twenty-one years that Weldon will be without a fair, but the authorities could not control the circumstances. Next year the fair will be as successful as ever.

MUNICIPAL BOARD OF HEALTH.—The Board of town commissioners at a special meeting held Monday night elected Dr. I. E. Green Superintendent of health, and immediate steps will be taken to inaugurate some much needed sanitary measures. The Board made a most excellent selection of a health officer and we congratulate the town in advance upon the improved sanitary condition of the town. Dr. Green knows what is needed and not only that but he will see that the rules and regulations of the Board of Health are enforced.

BUILDING.—Mrs. E. W. Brown is hauling lumber to build a dwelling on Fourth street. It will contain seven rooms.

Mr. J. A. Masgrove has made a contract for the erection of a handsome dwelling on the same street nearly opposite Mr. W. R. Smith's dwelling.

The brick building of Mr. J. T. Evans progresses as rapidly as the weather will permit. The walls have reached the second story. Mr. Evans intends to make the building three stories for the purpose of making a hotel of the second and third stories.

Mr. W. D. Cochran, of Mississippi, has purchased the vacant lot adjoining Mr. J. K. Campbell's residence and will, we hear, begin at once the erection of a dwelling upon it.

It is also reported that Mrs. T. N. Hill, of Halifax, will in a short time erect a residence on "Red Cut" in the southern part of town.

PROGRESS AT THE STATE FARMS.—Mr. H. J. Pope, the efficient superintendent of the State farms, says the experiment of planting rice is a success. The land selected is probably the lowest on the river and three freshets have covered the plants, the deposit of mud being from four to six inches, and much mud being left on the plants. He says the rice is now in excellent condition and growing well. It will yield from 75 to 100 bushels per acre and is worth about a dollar. Corn immediately adjoining the rice was entirely destroyed by fresh water.

Another experiment tried for the first time this year is the cultivation of amber cane for the production of sorghum. Twelve acres are planted in this cane, which is now ready to cut. During the war cane was cultivated in this section to some extent and a fair quality of syrup was produced but the machinery was the crudest kind. On the State farms the very best improved machinery has been purchased for sorghum making and will be put in operation in a few days. Mr. Pope says a better quality of syrup can be made and much more cheaply than that now used for the convicts.

About November 1st two hundred convicts will be put to work diking these farms and when this is done the crops will be certain. The work of diking will be done at a season when they would otherwise be idle.

There are 231 convicts at these farms and the health of all of them is good, not a case of sickness is reported. They are made to work and the discipline, of course, is strict, but they are well treated in every respect. Many sent to the farms in poor health improve under the open air work, and soon regain their strength and activity.

The Board of Directors is contemplating the leasing of more land as in about two months they will have nearly 600 more convicts turned over to them from contractors who have finished their contracts. It is reported that negotiations are in progress for lands in Northampton county and also farms lower down the river in the neighborhood of Caloconia.

How's This.

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THE WELDON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL.—The first session of the Weldon University School opened on Tuesday, the 8th of September, 1891. There were twenty-nine scholars present and the number has since increased to thirty-seven. This is considered a very good opening and it is hoped that the number will soon run up into the forties.

The desks for the school have arrived and will be put up at once. The schoolrooms will present a very attractive appearance when the new desks are put in place, and the Headmaster extends an invitation to all the patrons and friends of the school to come in and examine the rooms and materials some time during the latter part of the present week or the first of the next.

The school has been put in good running order and the success of the enterprise seems assured. A large play ground for the boys has been secured just across the street from the school house, and the girls have a play ground in the back yard. Blackboards, maps, etc., have been secured and put in place. The latest and best books are used, and the best methods in teaching are employed. So far, an unusual interest has been manifested by the scholars and it is thought that they will do work that will be a credit to the institution.

In connection with the school, the Headmaster has been urged to hold a night-class for the benefit of those railroad men and young men of the town, who not having time to attend the regular classes during the day, would nevertheless like to pursue their studies at night. The class has not yet been formed, but will be started if a sufficient number wish to take it up. Those wishing to take any studies in the night class will please let it be known at once.

It is urged upon the parents that they should personally superintend the work of the scholars at home. It is intended that the standing of the school shall be a high one, and in order that this may be done, it will be necessary that the private study of the students should be of the most thorough kind.

Extending his hearty thanks for the generous support which the people of Weldon and vicinity have given him, the Headmaster wishes to assure them that, in so far as he is able, he intends making the school one of the best and most thorough in the State.

THE TAX LISTS.—The tax lists of Halifax county show an increase in the value of property as compared with the lists of last year. The aggregate value of all taxable property in the county this year is \$4,016,208; last year it was \$3,387,420, an increase of \$628,788.

Following is the assessed value of real estate in the respective townships:

- Brinkleyville—64,819 acres of land, value \$250,242; 23 town lots, value \$8,233; total \$258,475.
Butterwood—20,730 acres of land, value \$103,244.
Conoconara—27,150 acres of land, value \$132,837.
Enfield—72,145 acres of land, value \$330,311; 122 town lots, value \$122,995; total \$443,306.
Faucetts—40,673 acres of land, value \$148,903.
Halifax—42,680 acres of land, value \$242,527; 124 town lots, value \$57,573; total \$300,100.
Littleton—37,283 acres of land, value \$200,317; 68 town lots, value \$50,810; total \$251,127.
Palmyra—35,476 acres of land, value \$213,328; 184 town lots value \$14,870; total \$228,198.
Roseneath—20,935 acres of land, value \$107,142.
Scotland Neck—29,451 acres of land, value \$183,750; 552 town lots, value \$119,852; total \$303,602.
Weldon—36,178 acres of land, value \$287,807; 318 town lots, value \$242,817; total \$530,624.
Enfield township has the largest number of acres of land, and Butterwood the smallest. Weldon shows the largest valuation in real estate, and Butterwood the smallest.

The total number of acres is 427,520, the value of which is \$2,200,438; total number of town lots 1,399, value \$609,975.

Following are totals and values of certain kinds of personal property in the county:—2046 horses, value \$130,252; mules 1641, value \$115,488; 7219, cattle, value \$74,305; 15,714 hogs, value \$22,713; 2801 sheep, value \$3,024; farming utensils, value \$48,642; mechanics tools, value \$4,686; household and kitchen furniture, value \$88,180; provisions, value \$54,824; fire arms, value \$5,768; libraries, value \$6,451; money on hand \$59,532; solvent credits \$232,214; shares of stock in incorporated companies \$38,218. All other personal property \$300,358; net income \$3,483; bank stock \$5,650.

The assessed value of the county list property to the value of \$289,196. The increase in taxes, according to the increase of property, is over \$5,000.

DEATH OF CAPT. JESSE SCOTT.—News was received here on Monday of the death of Capt. Jesse T. Scott, which occurred suddenly at Panama, on August 29th. He had been in good health and on the 27th took a bath in a mountain stream from which he contracted a slight cold which did not confine him to his room. On the 29th he went into a friend's room and laid down on a sofa remarking that he felt more at home there than he had done since he left Virginia. He dropped asleep and died without waking.

Capt. Scott for a number of years had been a conductor on the Coast Line between Richmond and this place, in which position he made friends of the railroad officials both high and low, with the travelling public who are quick to recognize worth and with the people of this place and Richmond. He was truly a man in the highest sense of the word, strong and yet gentle, brave and fearless, yet generous and kind. The strong respected him for his manliness, the mean feared him for his contempt of anything and everything small and the weak trusted him because he was ever true and helpful. Many could far better have been spared than he, and his numerous friends everywhere will grieve to hear of his death. He was a brother of Capt. Emmet Scott, of the Petersburg road and leaves another brother in Surry county, Va.

He resigned his position on the road about the 1st of February, 1889, and left on the 18th for New York from which port he sailed on the 20th for Aspinwall, having accepted a position with the Panama railroad the duties of which he discharged faithfully until some months ago when he resigned to take charge of a gold mine in which he became largely interested and the operations of which he was superintending at the time of his death.

POPULAR PEOPLE.

SOME OF THE FOLKS YOU KNOW AND THEIR DOINGS.

Mrs. W. H. Day is visiting friends in Raleigh.

Miss Ammie Powers left Tuesday to attend school in Henderson.

Mr. H. M. Robinson, of Henderson, was in town a few days ago.

Mrs. J. B. Spiers, of Reams' station, Va., is visiting her son, Mr. H. C. Spiers.

Capt. W. W. Carraway, of the News and Observer, was in town a short while Monday.

Capt. Wm. Smith, superintendent of the R. & G. road, was in town Monday.

Dr. J. E. Shields returned home Tuesday from a visit to Chase City and Henderson.

Miss Nannie Long passed through here Monday en route to Henderson from Jackson.

Mrs. H. L. Harvey and Mrs. S. V. Harvey returned from High Point a few days ago.

Mrs. P. A. Lewis left Monday for Baltimore to purchase her fall and winter stock of millinery.

Miss Anthony, of Baltimore, spent several days in this place last week while en route to Goldsboro.

Miss Susie Timberlake, of Raleigh, spent Monday night in town on her way home from Wilmington.

Mr. Thomas L. Parnell, of Raleigh, who has been visiting here several days returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shaw returned from the wedding trip on Saturday last and were welcomed by their many friends.

Capt. T. N. White and Master Richard left Monday for Richmond where they will in future live. We wish them success.

Messrs. W. B. Tillery, W. M. Cohen and M. F. Hart have returned from a trip to New York which they say they greatly enjoyed.

Messrs. T. L. Emory, Mr. J. J. Daniel and W. A. Pierce left Saturday for New York to purchase fall and winter goods for their stores at this place and Halifax.

Mr. Merritt, of the Raleigh Chronicle, made this office a pleasant visit Monday. The Chronicle is a good paper and we hope he added largely to the subscription lists of the paper.

After several weeks spent among his many friends here Col. A. J. Burton returned to his home in Reidsville Tuesday morning to make ready for the fall circuit of courts. Success to you, Col.

To Dissip Colds.

Headaches and Fevers, to cleanse the system effectually, yet gently, when copious or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, use Syrup of Figs.

We are over stocked in shoes and will give low prices to reduce stock. P. N. Stainback & Bro.

CARS WRECKED IN THE YARD.—There was a considerable wreck in the yard of the Raleigh and Gaston road Monday night. A freight train was backing toward the block house, and a switch being wrong the train ran into a side-track which ends just at the warehouse of the Petersburg railroad. Being down grade and the distance being short the train could not be stopped although the whistle was sounded and the engine reversed. The shanty car crashed into the warehouse demolishing the platform and injuring slightly the wall of the building. The car was pretty badly injured, one end of it being thrown upon a side platform by a flat running under it. Two flats were also thrown from the track. Mr. Harding, the engineer, stood to his post as coolly as possible although just about that time it was one of considerable danger.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.—The following is a list of letters remaining in the Weldon postoffice:

- Rosa Lee Lawrence, Maria Long, Mrs. Ella Long, Miss Rosie Lams, Miss Adie Lynch, Miss Louzella Kamegay, Miss Trezia Kemgag, J. R. Jones, Mrs. Nancy Jones, Miss Sallie Johnson, Mrs. Martha Jones, C. C. Brown, J. W. Irwin, Jr., Jas. W. Irwin, Miss Lelia A. Allen, Mrs. C. A. Henderson, L. A. Hudson, Will Hodges, Miss Velvir Harson, W. J. Hodges, Ed. Le Grand, Essie E. Gaylord, Mr. Gilardie, Miss Victoria Glems, C. J. Gunter, Lewis Forsello, Skipper Davis, Duke Denson, Weaver & Clark, Miss Maggie Cenby, W. L. Carmichael, R. Chambers, Mrs. Nancy Carter, Lucy Byrd, Robt. Bass, Isaac Aycox, T. J. Anderson, Miss Lelia Allen, Miss Rosa Lee Lawrence, Bill Lassiter, Wm. Long, Burton Morgan, Mack Magentire, R. W. Moseley, Emilin Mason, George Maho, Mrs. Jane Mills, Mrs. Jennette Pierce, Sallie Pender, S. L. Presson, George Person, Bat Powell, Willie Sanders, Francis Paskell, Wesley Shaw, Mrs. Louisa Scott, Mrs. Mollie Sykes, Alex. Shaw, Mrs. Eliza Scott, Mrs. Annie Taylor, Solman Vincent, Miss Sarah Whitehead, Thomas R. Wilson, Mrs. Rebecker Webb, Miss Pollie Wafe, Daniel Wat.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure. A cream of tartar baking powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—Latest U. S. Government Food Report.

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OPIUM and Whiskey Habits cured at home without pain. Book of particulars sent FREE. R. M. WOODLEY, M. D., Atlanta, Ga. Office 100 1/2 Whitehall St. NORTH CAROLINA, HALIFAX COUNTY. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. Thomas N. Hill and Mary A. Hill, Executors of N. M. Long, deceased, plaintiffs, vs. Wesley H. Harrison and Tempe Harrison his wife, defendants. The defendants above named will take notice that a summons in the above entitled action was issued on the 15th day of August, 1891, returnable to the fall term of the Superior court for Halifax county, which commences on the tenth Monday after the first Monday of September 1891; that the purpose of the action is to cancel a contract for the sale of real estate contracted to be sold the defendant, Wesley H. Harrison by the plaintiffs, and this to require you and each of you to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior court at a court to be held in the county of Halifax at the court house in Halifax on the tenth Monday after the first Monday in September, 1891, and answer or demur to the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the clerk of the Superior court of said county within the first three days of the term. Herein fail not. This the 7th day of September, 1891. JOHN T. GREGORY, Clerk Superior Court. sep-10-6w.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BECKWITH'S ANTI-DYSPEPTIC PILLS. As a family medicine these pills are unrivalled. As an Anti-Dyspeptic Pill they have stood the test of 75 years, and maintained their reputation. THEY REGULATE the BOWELS and LIVER. They will relieve Colic, Sick Headache, Acid Stomach, and all the evils attendant upon indigestion. They are the cheapest and best remedy offered for Dyspepsia in all its forms. For sale by W. M. COHEN, Weldon, N. C. E. P. BECKWITH & Co., Wholesale agents, Petersburg, Va. my 28-ly.

COLORED Normal School. WARRENTON, N. C. THE WARRENTON STATE COLORED NORMAL SCHOOL will begin its first session in the SHILOH INSTITUTE buildings Monday Oct. 5, 1891. This School was formerly located at Franklinton, N. C., but removed by an act of the last Legislature to Warrenton, N. C. No healthier location can be found in the State. The school will be provided with able and experienced teachers. In order that all who desire an education may avail themselves of this opportunity, board and lodging may be secured within the buildings for \$5.75 per month. Tuition free to all residents of the State. For further information address REV. J. A. WHITTEN, A. M. Prin., 9-10-11. Warrenton, N. C.

NOTICE. NORTH CAROLINA In the HALIFAX CO. Superior Court. JOSEPH W. JENKINS, PLAINTIFF, vs. C. H. B. HOWERTON, and W. W. FREEMAN, DEFENDANTS. To W. W. FREEMAN:—The defendant, W. W. Freeman will take notice that a summons in the above entitled action was issued on the 15th day of April, 1891, returnable to the May term, 1891, of the Superior Court for Halifax county; that the purpose of the action is to sell real property in Halifax county contracted to be sold the said defendants by the plaintiff, default of said contract having been made by said defendants, and to cancel said contract; and this to require you to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior Court to be held for the county of Halifax on the tenth Monday after the first Monday in September, 1891, and answer or demur to the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the clerk of the Superior court of said county within the first three days of the term. Herein fail not. This August 17th, 1891. JOHN T. GREGORY, Clerk Superior Court. 8-20-6w.

MRS. JOE PERSON'S REMEDY. WILL CURE RHEUMATISM AND DYSPEPSIA. Como, Hertford Co., N. C. Mrs. Joe Person:—Dear Madam:—After having been a great sufferer from Rheumatism and Dyspepsia, and finally Erysipelas, and getting no substantial relief from other treatment I was relieved of these troubles in a comparatively short time by the use of your Remedy, and heartily recommend it to all who are similarly afflicted. I know of other instances in which it has been most effective and satisfactory. Yours very truly, Mrs. B. S. SPIERS.

SORE LEG CURED. Black Creek, N. C. Mrs. JOE PERSON—Dear Madam:—Yours of the 17th received, and very willingly I will reply. When I first commenced the use of your valuable medicine, I could not walk one step on account of a very bad sore on my leg. I bought three bottles of your Remedy and four packages of the Wash, and commenced to use it. I could see the improvement in a few days, and to day I can happily say I am well, and can, with much pleasure, recommend it to any person as the best medicine I ever used. Yours truly, C. PITTMAN. The above sore was caused by a wound received during the war, and had been sore ever since, so Mr. Pittman told me. Mrs. Joe Person. sep 15.