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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

LET'S have a bank.
POLITICS looming up.
THE canal looks like a river.
THE farmers are hard at work.
SHAD have not yet reached here.
THIS will be a great political year.
LAST Sunday was St. Valentine's day.
AN early spring is very much desired.
WE have had some real March weather.
SPRING seems to be near, but be not deceived.
COME to Weldon and see the great water power.
DID you see the red light in the north, Saturday night?
THE great mill will probably begin operations March 1.
THE Aurora Saturday night frightened a great many people.
A bank is needed here and would be a profitable investment.
THE water falling over the dam at the canal looks beautiful.
GO to the play Tuesday night for the benefit of the rectory.
RENEW your subscription if you haven't already done so.
THE Superior court will convene in March, Judge Brown presiding.
IF there are any Cleveland men in this county we have not yet found them.
NOW for factories of various kinds. We have the water and the sites. Look this way.

WELDON can now supply water power in any quantity for mills and machinery of all kinds.
IT is time to begin the work of planting and sowing in the garden, taking the risk of a late frost.
THOSE farmers who make their own supplies are more prosperous than those who buy them.
THE canal now affords twenty five hundred horse power which can be secured by any one who wants it.
THE machinery at the mill is ready for work, the water is there, and it is expected that work will begin about March 1.
THE railroad tax case has been argued before the Supreme court, and the decision of that tribunal may be expected at any time.

SUBSCRIPTION to the ROANOKE NEWS is payable in advance. Send along the money and get a good paper for yourself and family.
IN a few days the people of this place will be called upon to say if they will take stock in a bank and how much. Each ought to do his best.
MANY a man has found good investments by reading the local columns of his home paper. Be wise and subscribe to the NEWS. It may pay you handsomely in the near future.
THE mails on the several railroads are being weighed daily for a period of thirty days prior to making new contracts between the government and the companies for the railway mail service.

RAILROAD CHANGES.—Mr. R. O. Whitsker, who has been conductor of passenger trains on the Wilson and Fayetteville Short Cut, has resigned to enter other business, and Capt. W. J. Hill, who has been conductor on the Albemarle & Raleigh road will take his place. Mr. J. W. Pierce will succeed Capt. Hill on the A. & R. between Rocky Mount and Plymouth.

What shall I take?
Why Simons Liver Regulator, of course. It can't be beat in any attack of biliousness, Biliary colic, Sick Headache, Any indigestion. It gives quick relief, continued for a while will cure these ailments. The Regulator is in liquid and powder form. Under is wonderfully convenient. A pinch of the powder and a swallow of water leaves no mark on the tongue, and works effectually.

MISSION AT GRACE CHURCH.—A mission will begin at Grace Episcopal Church here on Wednesday of next week, when there will be services and sermons twice a day. It will continue several days, possibly a week. It will be conducted by the Revs. G. B. Hubbard, and C. J. Wingate, of Gold-boro. The public is invited to attend each service.

MARRIED.—Yesterday, the 17th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, near this place, Mr. W. L. D. Ivey, of Northampton county, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Carrie Ivey, daughter of Mr. R. W. Ivey, the Rev. P. N. Stainback officiating.

The happy pair has the good wishes of the ROANOKE NEWS for long and happy lives.

JOB PRINTING.—Job printing of all kinds can be done at this office at low rates. The best material and the latest styles of type used in all jobs. Letter heads, bill heads, envelopes of all sizes, receipts, posters and all other kinds of printing done at short notice. Rates furnished on application. Address ROANOKE NEWS or E. L. Hayward, for samples, prices and other information. All work warranted to be satisfactory.

ENTERTAINMENT BY THE RIFLEMEN.—The Scotland Neck Mounted Riflemen will give an entertainment to-morrow (Friday) night which will be a most elegant affair. It begins with an oyster supper and ends with music and dancing. Handsome invitations have been sent out and the entertainment will doubtless be well attended. The military boys know how to do things exactly right and they spare neither pains nor expense to do it. We know those who attend will enjoy the occasion, and those who do not attend will wish they had.

THEATRICAL ENTERTAINMENT.—The young ladies and gentlemen, or rather some of them, will present at Literary Hall, now the club room, on Tuesday night, the 23rd inst., the piece "The Flower of the Family," a comedy in three acts. There are five male and three female characters in the play and they will be excellently rendered by home talent which has heretofore distinguished itself in histrionic art. As the purpose of the entertainment is for a good cause and the price of admission very low we hope a large audience will greet the play when it is presented.

ALLIANCE LECTURER'S APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. J. M. Mewborne, Alliance lecturer for the Second Congressional district, is now canvassing the district in the interest of the order. He will soon deliver a series of lectures in this county as follows:
Aurelian Springs—February 18th.
Enfield—February 19th.
Scotland Neck—February 20th.
Hobgood—March 1st.
Mr. Mewborne is a fluent speaker and his addresses will be most interesting. These lectures are open to the public and everybody, especially the ladies, is invited to attend them. We bespeak for Mr. Mewborne large audiences at every appointment.

DISTRICT DELEGATE.—On Wednesday of last week delegates from the various County Alliances in the Second Congressional district met at Rocky Mount for the purpose of electing a delegate to represent the district at the St. Louis convention to be held next Monday. The Rev. J. T. B. Hoover, of Elm City, was elected delegate and Dr. J. E. Person, of Wayne, alternate. The Rocky Mount Argonaut says the convention made no mistake in selecting these gentlemen. Mr. Hoover is a man of brains, and also conservative and prudent. Such men are needed because this convention will be one of the most important ever held in the country. With good, patriotic, wise, conservative men to compose it, it will result in good to the people. Railroad Commissioner Bellingfield is also a delegate from this State.

Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint.
Is it not worth the small price of 75c. to free yourself of every symptom of these distressing complaints, if you think so call at our store and get a bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer, every bottle has a printed guarantee on it, use according and if it does you no good it will cost you nothing. Sold by W. M. Cohen.

EVERYBODY ought to witness the play Tuesday night presented by home talent. EVERY one of us should work to secure a bank here by taking as much stock as we can, and by inducing others to do so.

We have a speedy and positive cure for catarrh, diphtheria, croup, mouth and headache, in SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. A nasal injector free with each bottle. Use it if you desire health and sweet breath. Price 50c. Sold by W. M. Cohen.

THE TOBACCO CROP.—From all reports the tobacco crop in the eastern counties will be much larger than ever before. There will be a large increase in the acreage in tobacco in Nash, Halifax, Wilson, Edgecombe and Pitt counties, and some authorities estimate the crop in these counties this year at from thirty five to forty millions of pounds. Wayne and Lenoir will also increase their acreage. The Southern says that Edgecombe alone will produce ten million pounds of tobacco this year.

We are very certain that the acreage will be larger in this county than ever before, but the prevailing prices are not very encouraging.

WHAT ABOUT THE BANK?—We again call attention to the importance and benefit to this community of a bank at this place. It would not only be a great convenience to our own people and those in this section of country, but it would be means of attracting here business which does not now come here at all. It would be a magnet which would draw to it from every direction trade which is now promiscuously scattered about. Of course, this is what is wanted here; there cannot be too much business brought here. It would afford facilities to our business men which they have never had before, putting at their very doors a medium of exchange which they have had to find in some distant city. The stock would be profitable property. One institution of this kind returned a net profit to the stockholders of about fifteen per cent. the first year; it did business, and is now increasing its business. The dividends the second year will prove much larger. But it is useless to enlarge further upon this. Every man in business knows as we do what a bank will do for the place, and we hope they will offer every encouragement possible to the gentleman who wishes to open a bank here and who will confer with them upon the subject in a few days.

EPISCOPAL VISITATIONS.—Bishop Lyman has made the following appointments for this section of the State:
March 27th, Sunday, Wilson.
March 28th, Monday, p. m., Battle-boro.
March 29th, Tuesday, Rocky Mount.
March 30th, Wednesday, p. m., St. Luke's, Tarboro.
March 31st, Thursday, Calvary church Tarboro.
April 1st, Friday, St. Mary's, Edgecombe.
April 3rd, Sunday, Scotland Neck.
April 5th, Tuesday, Enfield.
April 6th, Wednesday, Ringwood.
April 8th, Friday, Halifax.
April 8th, p. m., Weldon.
April 10th, Sunday, Jackson.
April 12th, Tuesday, Gaston.
April 13th, Wednesday, Littleton.
April 14th, Thursday, Ridgeway.
April 15th, Friday, Middleburg.
April 17th, Easter Day, Williams-boro.
April 19th, Tuesday, Henderson, Consecration.

THE FAST MAIL MAY BE DISCONTINUED.—It is announced that Postmaster General Wamsucker in his annual report to Congress did not recommend an appropriation to continue the fast mail service to the South, and Assistant Postmaster General Bell has written to the several railroad companies that this "special facility" appropriation would not be asked for after the first of July next. The present contract with the Postoffice Department will expire at that time, and the fast trains discontinued unless Congress makes the appropriation regardless of the Department officials. The result of the discontinuance of this service will be to put Northern mails into Southern towns a day later than they are reached at present. This will be a hardship and a retarding of business to which the government should not submit the people who have become accustomed to the extra facilities afforded them for some years past.

The volume of business is not of itself enough to justify this fast service and on that account the special contracts which will terminate on July 1 were made.

Oh, What a Cough.
Will you heed the warning. The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease Consumption. Ask yourselves if you can afford for the sake of saving 50c., to run the risk and do not nothing for it. We know from experience that Shiloh's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be with it. For lame back, side or chest use Shiloh's Porens Plaster. Sold by W. M. Cohen, Druggist.

THE AURORA BOREALIS.—The great northern light was seen here for the first time in some years last Saturday night. It was first seen a little after seven and lasted until about eight o'clock. The heavens were illumined with a soft reddish light which grew more and more brilliant and gradually extended toward the zenith. Then the ruddy hue began to soften into a rosy pink, and as it did great broad bands of white light spread vertically from the horizon to the zenith. Not for a single minute did the color remain unchanged. In the middle of the illumined part of the heaven it grew blood red, while on the edges the pink tint was so delicate that the stars were distinctly visible throughout. The rest of the sky in comparison seemed darker, and on this background the phenomenon formed a spectacle of marvelous beauty.

These phenomena always awaken interest in those who understand that they are the effect of electricity; but many of the negroes were frightened. Some thought the Aurora Saturday night was the beginning of judgment day, others thought it a sign of war, while others did not know what to think. They had appointed Saturday night for a festival, but when the Aurora appeared it was abandoned on account of superstition.

INFERIOR COURT.—The February term of the Inferior court for this county convened at Halifax Monday. Presiding Justice Hill and Associate Justices Robertson and Norman, Solicitor E. C. Thorne and Clerk S. M. Gary were sworn in by J. T. Gregory, clerk of the Superior court.

The grand jury was charged by Justice Hill. They were as follows:
E. W. Hyman, foreman; A. M. Inge, Colin Gray, J. A. Smith, J. W. Butts, J. J. W. Mitchell, C. V. Andrews, G. K. Moore, W. H. Anthony, John Medford, Lafayette Manly, Amos Cherry, C. C. Alsbrook, H. L. James, W. B. Stamper.
Mr. J. E. Daniel was sworn in as officer of the grand jury.

There were on the docket twenty-four cases, of which four were for larceny, five for assault and battery, two for releasing prisoners, one for affray, one for trespass one for disposing of mortgaged property.

The docket was called over and the following was disposed of:
State vs. Tom Hawkin, failure to list property for taxation, continued.
State vs. Laura Tillery, affray, continued.

State vs. Sarah Jones, A. & B, alias capias.
State vs. G. W. Tucker, A. & B, nol. pros.
State vs. E. H. Milner, larceny, nol. pros.

State vs. Jones Richardson, assault, jury, not guilty.
State vs. Moore Robinson and Maria Long, nol. pros.
State vs. Edward Walker, A. & B, continued.

State vs. Alex Bradley, trespass, discharged on payment of costs.
State vs. Alfred Gooch, larceny, plea of not guilty, continued; judgment suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. James Avent and Mourning Hedgepeth, nol. pros.

State vs. Lou Massenbourg and James Hicks, nol. pros.
State vs. James Williams and Eliza Hill, alias capias.
State vs. Simon Russell, and Annie Day, continued.

State vs. Richard Brown and Martha Gills, alias capias.
State vs. Thomas Sullivan and Charles Hurley, larceny; jury, guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.
State vs. Rose Crowell, jury, guilty; fined five cents and costs.

Court adjourned Tuesday afternoon.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss.
Lucas county,
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Frank J. Cheney.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
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John, try the Patent Sole Shoe. They are the best I ever saw.

RICE.—Complaints come from many directions that the farmers do not know what to plant. The prevailing price of cotton renders a large crop impossible, and tobacco is also low, which will in all likelihood affect the acreage in that crop. There is a great quantity of land in Halifax and Northampton counties, and of the best quality too, which is not adapted to cotton and cannot be cultivated in corn because the annual freshets are liable to destroy it. On these bottom lands rice can be success-fully cultivated. The State farms last year demonstrated that fact beyond doubt. Overflows do not hurt rice, and the price is good. It costs no more to prepare the land for it and cultivate it than it does to make corn, and the yield per acre is sufficient to yield good profits. It would be wise for those who have this kind of land to cultivate a few acres in rice, if no more, and satisfy themselves as to its advantages as a market crop.

As soon as we can get the necessary information we will give through these columns the manner of cultivating and the probable value of rice.

WHY THE FARMER WAS POORER.—Sometime since the Raleigh Chronicle stated a case of a farmer who was made poorer by the building of a railroad to his community and offered a prize for the best reason for his becoming poorer, the prize to be awarded by a committee. The case was this:

A few years ago a certain farmer lived fifty miles from the nearest town. He had no market in which to sell or buy. It did not concern him what was the price of wheat, or corn, or pork in the markets of the world. He raised a supply of bacon, mutton, beef, poultry and vegetables. He raised his own horses and cattle. The family picked the seed with their hands from the cotton by the fireside after supper—the good wife spun, wove, cut and made the garments for a dozen children. Once a year a load of hides, horns, turkeys and other valuable truck was carried fifty miles to town and sold in return for coffee, sugar and a new dress or two. The farmer used to relate, with satisfaction, that he owed no man anything, that he had raised a large family of sons and daughters, that his land was in good condition and that he had a fine lot of stock.

One day a railroad came along in a couple of miles of the farm, and a town was built within six miles. The old farmer was now in contact with the outside world; the result was that in ten years his farm was mortgaged, he ceased to raise cattle, hogs, horses, sheep, corn and wheat and kept well informed about the markets of the world. Our question is this: "Why was this farmer made poor by being brought into contact with the world?"

There were numerous answers, and the committee awarded the prize, which was a year's subscription to the Chronicle, to Mr. E. D. Carter, of Asheville. His reason was as follows:
You have given the only reason that can be given for that particular farmer's change of fortune, in your statement of his case. He was certainly not "made poor by being brought into contact with the world." That fact ought logically to have improved his condition. "His farm was mortgaged" because "he ceased to raise cattle, hogs, horses, sheep, corn and wheat," and sought rather to keep himself "well informed about the markets of the world." He simply did the reverse of the scriptural injunction, "cease to do evil and learn to do well," and his "being brought into contact with the world" had nothing whatever to do with it. That farmer was simply an unwise one who did not know how to make the most of his improved opportunities. No man is made poor by being brought into contact with the world if he has a good unencumbered well-stocked farm as his capital and hard horse sense in his head.
EUG. G. CARTER.

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.

NOTICE.
THOS. F. MAGUIRE } ATTACHMENT
VS. } AND
WM. HINES. } SUMMONS.
\$7 13 by account warrant of attachment returnable before A. E. Carter, a justice of the peace for Halifax county, at the office of W. E. Spruill, Esq., in the town of Littleton, in said county, on the 14th day of March 1892, when and where the defendant is required to appear and answer the complaint. This the 12th day of February, 1892.
THOS. F. MAGUIRE, Plaintiff.
2-18-92.

POPULAR PEOPLE.
SOME OF THE FOLKS YOU KNOW AND THEIR DOINGS.

Mr. J. B. Batchelot, of Raleigh, was at Halifax Monday.
Mr. J. W. Northington, of Littleton, was in town Monday.
Miss Julia Gay, of Wilson, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. T. Shaw.
Mr. E. S. Roake, of Northampton, was in town a few hours Monday.
Capt. T. W. Mason returned to Raleigh this week after a short visit home.
Sheriff and Mrs. Alsbrook, of Scotland Neck, spent Tuesday night in town with relatives.
Major J. H. Bogart, Superintendent of the Albemarle Steamboat Company, was in town Monday.
Capt. W. W. Carraway, of the News & Observer, was in town a few hours last week. He is always welcome in Weldon.
Mr. Henry Wood has been appointed mail weigher on the Wilmington shoofly train and began his duties yesterday. He will be an efficient official.
Mr. Richard Moseley, formerly of this county, but now of Goldsboro, made this office a pleasant visit yesterday. Mr. Moseley is one of the mail weighers on the Coast Line between this place and Wilmington.

Gratifying to All.
The high position attained and the universal acceptance and the approval of the pleasant liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs, as the most excellent laxative known, illustrate the value of the qualities on which its success is based and are abundantly gratifying to the California Fig Syrup Company.

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THEY REGULATE the BOWELS and LIVER.
They 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
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NOTICE.
By virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of assignment executed to the undersigned as trustee on the 10th day of November, 1891, by R. J. Mayo, and Laura L. his wife which was duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for Halifax county, in book 94 page 298 to secure certain indebtedness mentioned therein, I will sell at public auction for cash on Monday, the 7th day of March, 1892, at the court house door in Halifax.
One tract or piece of land situate in Weldon township, Halifax county, same being that tract upon which said Mayo now resides, for a more accurate description reference is here made to book 91 page 591 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Halifax county. This 5th day of February, 1892.
S. G. DANIEL, Trustee.
2-11-92.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Having this day qualified as executor of the last will and testament of William H. Arrington, dec'd, before the clerk of the Superior court of Halifax county notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against the estate of the said Wm. H. Arrington to present them duly authenticated to the executor on or before the first day of January, 1893. Otherwise this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment.
WM. N. SHEARIN,
Executor of Wm. H. Arrington, dec'd.
J. M. Grizzard, Attorney. 1-14-92.

NOTICE.
The undersigned, having this day qualified before the Superior court of Halifax county as administrator of the estate of Jesse A. Powers, deceased, hereby notifies all persons holding claims against his said intestate to present them in Weldon, N. C., duly verified within twelve months from the date of this notice or the same will be pleaded in bar thereof.
All persons indebted to said estate hereby requested to make immediate payment. This the 11th day of January, 1892.
W. E. DANIEL,
Admr. of Jesse A. Powers.
Jan-14-92.

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