

LOCAL RECORDS.

A few days ago a German carp was caught near the old Thomsen mill, on New Hope, that weighed 32 pounds.

For monuments and tombstones of the latest and prettiest designs write to Robt. I. Rogers & Co., proprietors Durham Marble Works, Durham, N. C.

Dr. John H. Linton, of Raleigh, will be at Pittsboro on the first Monday in every month and remain three days, prepared to do any kind of dental work.

One day last week a locomotive on the Raleigh & Haw River railroad ran from Cary to Hays, a distance of 20 miles in exactly 27 minutes. Fast travelling that!

There is a colored youth in this county, named Frank Abson, who is 6 feet, 8 inches tall. He was too young to vote at the last election. Wonder how tall he will be, when fully grown?

The largest strawberries that we have seen this year were sent out the Record by Mrs. G. W. Burns, of Oakland township, who says that they are strictly domestic berries, with no third party acid in them.

Dr. W. H. Edwards, of Wake Forest, will visit Pittsboro on Monday and Tuesday following the third Sunday in every month and will be at Monroeville on the following Thursday and Friday, prepared to do any kind of dental work.

A. G. Drake has opened a harness and saddle establishment in connection with his carriage and blacksmith business, and has employed that experienced saddler, John Y. Webster, who will be pleased to serve his old friends.

Are you going to Commencement? If so, you should have one of those pretty white dresses at V. B. London & Son's, and one of those pretty hats Mrs. Burton makes; they are stylish. And you young men can get the nicest cravats and ties you ever saw at London's.

A nice suit of clothes can be had for a very little money at W. L. London & Son's, and they have the largest and cheapest stock of straw hats ever seen in Pittsboro. They also have a very large stock of shoes for ladies, misses, children, men and boys; new lot this week.

The editor of the Reasoning, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Lucy W. London, will go to Chicago on Monday to attend the annual meeting of the National Editorial Association, and will return on the 25th. On our return we will send our readers our impressions of the World's Fair.

The Postmaster General has changed the name of this post office from Pittsborough to Pittsboro, the latter being the name that has generally been used. The new postmaster, Mrs. Taylor, will probably begin her duties next week. She has appointed as her assistant Mrs. Laura E. Horne, who was our very efficient postmaster during Mr. Cleveland's first term.

A CYCLONE—On Wednesday afternoon of last week a destructive cyclone swept through a portion of this county. It seems to have started on the plantation of Capt. J. J. Crump, in New Hope township, and swept in a North easterly direction and was the same that struck the town of Oxford. Its pathway was between two and three hundred yards in width, and was plainly marked by fallen trees, scattered fences and demolished buildings. On Capt. Crump's farm a cabin, and the barn and stable were blown down. The cyclone next struck the farm of Mr. Sam Mitchell, who had demolished a tenant's dwelling. Then it swept down upon the cabin of a colored man, named Moses Green, which was completely demolished, even the sill being blown away. Next it blew down the out-buildings of Mr. James Holt, not a short distance from there it swept away the house of a colored man, named Grandison Farrar. Several other small buildings were destroyed, but fortunately no person was killed, or even seriously hurt.

At Oxford several large buildings were destroyed, several persons were injured and one or two killed.

THE PROVERBS MATCH.—The first pronouncing match that we have ever heard of being held in this State was held at this place, on last Friday night, and was quite a pleasant occasion. As was done at the spelling matches, the contestants were divided into two sides, ten on each side, and as each one has pronounced a word he or she retired from the contest, which did not last as long as the spelling matches, and fewer words were given out, because it is easier to spell correctly than to pronounce. Each word was written on a blackboard, and, when desired, was spelled out so that there might be no misunderstanding as to what it was. Among the words that were pronounced incorrectly were cornucopia, precedence, bestial, vacancy, lithologic, cerebral, bygone, aliphthema, deficit, gratis, and bromidus. It was somewhat of a comedy that the last word given out, and which was mispronounced by the three last contestants, was the word "effluvia," which literally was the work of the match.

form a part of Chatham's contribution to the proposed Confederate monument at Raleigh. And in this connection we would state that, since the last publication of the list of contributions in Chatham the following have been received, viz: L. B. Ringer, \$2.00; W. H. Ringer, \$1.00; James B. Hunter, \$1.00; J. J. Jenkins, \$1.00; J. K. Ellington, \$1.00; and E. M. Ward, \$1.00. Five dollars of this amount were collected by Mrs. C. W. Ringer, who had been appointed one of the assistants of the vice president, for this county, of the Monumental Association.

Sermon Given.—The May Term of the superior court of this county began on last Monday. The presiding judge is Hon. B. R. Bryan, of Newbern, who arrived on Saturday afternoon and opened court promptly on Monday morning. The following were drawn and empanelled as the grand jury: R. W. H. Bond, Foreman; J. H. Alexander, Andrew J. Sloan, W. B. Dossitt, F. W. Andrews, Richard Webster, W. L. Poe, A. R. Siler, A. J. Williams, A. V. Ferguson, M. G. Campbell, J. A. Stone, C. D. Galloway, Thomas G. Andrews, N. A. Jones, Robert M. Burns, J. M. Marshall and J. M. Phillips. The judge's charge to the grand jury was plain and explicit explanation of the responsibilities and duties devolving upon them, and of the crimes and offenses of which they have jurisdiction, and was listened to with close attention and deep interest.

Justice Parker was promptly at his post on duty and began the prosecution of the cases on the State docket. Some were of much importance, and among those tried were the following:

State against John Jones and Andrew Bray; P. & A. verdict, not guilty.

State against Sam Poe and Alexander Heston; Heston, defendant, guilty, and sentenced to the penitentiary for 18 months, and judgment suspended as to Hamilton.

State against Philip Robinson; guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary for 5 years.

State against Mary J. Gutter and Cora Thomas; guilty and judgment suspended.

State against Sam Robinson; guilty, and sentenced to the penitentiary for 12 months.

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The Value of Hay and Grasses.

One of the most important crops on the farm is the hay supply. The time given by the farmer to the hay crop is more than any other crop. It is more than any other crop, for the reason that it governs the price of milk and meat. Not only does it raise the price of milk, but it indirectly has an influence over the wheat and corn prices. The history of agriculture has shown that the original productivity of farm lands in all civilized countries has suffered, in course of time, a gradual decline. It has been ascribed to the reduction in the area occupied by meadows and pastures. This cutting off of the cultivation of grasses causes a gradual reduction of live stock, which in turn causes a falling off in the principal home resources of agricultural matter. By experiments it has been shown that the chief cause of less productive crops was due to a serious falling off of the hay and grass crops. It is clearly shown that we need more liberal provisions of nutritious hay and grasses. Statistics taken in the different parts of the country show that where hay and grasses have been raised in the same number of years, the land has greatly increased and increased in value. We frequently hear of the "traveller" farmers; that with each day comes more mortgages to the farm; that their possessions are being the price they should. Of course, all concede that farm products are too low, but I maintain that the most gages on the farm are due to bad farming. This bad farming is due to several things; first, the neglect to raise hay and pastures, secondly, the failure of the farmer to spend his time in the villages and neighboring ways to get in office to get rid of work, thirdly, he goes to extremes by this I mean, that he tries to raise large crops of hay and grasses, and repeatedly ground out as the fertilizer on, fourthly, lack of knowledge. I believe that the farmers do not know the theory of raising as well as they should. I believe that farmers need change their way of farming, if they ever expect to be prosperous and independent.

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Luxury of Modern Railway Travel.

A recent trip over the Royal Blue Line, New York to Washington, and return, impressed the writer most strongly as to the wonderful possibilities regarding the modern luxury of railway travel in America. Having been in nearly every State in the Union and over almost every part of Europe, we are prepared to feel ourselves qualified to recognize the splendid service furnished the public by the great railway lines of America. The writer believes that he is stating nothing too strongly in saying that in the forty years there is not a service in the world, which taken as a whole, will compare with the famous Royal Blue Line, composed of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, the Philadelphia and Reading, and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads. Not only is the time made between these points as a whole, but the quality of the service between New York and Washington, but with a road that is simple, perfect, and an equipment as luxurious as I have nothing to be desired in it, as I have no doubt, the finest service of any line in the world.

Every train via the Royal Blue Line is vestibuled from end to end, and consists not only of the most luxurious parlor and sleeping cars ever made by the Pullman Palace Car Company, but also of palatial day coaches for comfort to the parlor passenger on many lines, with smoking compartments fitted up with clean and soft seats, the same as in drawing room cars. Although the service is so superior and the time so quick, on certain days, my extra company, to those who are not fortunate enough to have the regular additional charges, are asked to make up the train vestibuled by number and rate, even to the public about my extra charges whatever. The dining car service, attached to the principal trains in the Royal Blue service, and the entire capital to the best hotels of the country. It is no wonder that the Royal Blue Line has attained phenomenal popularity, and has not obtained as popularity by any other route that has been tried. It is so immensely popular that it is being duplicated in Washington, New York and Washington, and it is being duplicated in the other States of the country.

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