Local Records.

—Only 25 cents for THE RECORD until the election.

—The tax books are now in Sheriff Johnson's hands and he asks everybody to pay promptly.

—Tell all your neighbors that Hon. James H. Pou and Hon. Lee S. Overman will speak here on the 25th of this month.

—They are still offering a great many goods at Bynum & Headen's for even less than cost, to make room for their fall stock.

—The court-house ring do not find it plain sailing, for they have struck more than one snag which will surely wreck their hopes.

Wanted, a good tenant who can furnish his own stock, for the [illegible] farm (the Robert G. [illegible]banks place) for next year. Apply to H. T. Chapin.

—Every voter in Chatham ought to read THE RECORD during the campaign and thus keep fully posted. Only 25 cents until the election. Tell your neighbors to subscribe at once.

—From all parts of the county come most encouraging reports of a big Democratic majority. The question now is only as to the size of that majority, how much over 500 it will be.

—There is an old saying, "You may lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink." And so the court-house ring may force their ticket on their party but cannot make them vote for them.

—Another soul made happy. Mr. John W. Taylor has been appointed deputy collector in the revenue service. It is thought this will appease him for his defeat for the nomination for sheriff.

—It is a little early yet, but Bynum & Headen would like to remind you that they are representing the Southern Cotton Seed Oil Co., and will pay you the very highest prices for your cotton seed.

—The Democrats of Chatham will open their campaign with a grand rally at Pittsboro on Thursday, the 25th day of this month. The speakers will be Hon. James H. Pou and Hon. Lee S. Overman.

—They have just received at W. L. London & Son's a [illegible] stock of trunks, satchels, dress suit cases, travelling bags, which will be sold cheaper than ever. They would like to show them to you. A few of those odd pants left. It is your fault if you do not get a pair.

—Mr. A. H. London is now in New York buying the fall stock of goods for W. L. London & Son. Now for the next ten days you will be able to get extra bargains in all kinds of dry goods and notions. They are anxious to get rid of all the old stock possible before the new goods arrive.

—There will be a grand Democratic rally at this place on Thursday, the 25th of this month. Hon. James H. Pou and Hon. Lee S. Overman will be the speakers and a great treat is in store for all who are present. The Siler City brass band will enliven the occasion with soul-stirring music and an immense crowd is expected.

—After all conventions there is more or less disappointment and dissatisfaction among the defeated aspirants and their friends. It was natural there should be some after our last Democratic convention, but we are pleased to learn that it has nearly all passed away and that there is very little now. Many false rumors have been circulated about some of the nominees, but their falsity has been exposed.

—THE RECORD never knowingly does any person an injustice and therefore now very gladly corrects the statement published in last week's issue that R. H. Dixon and others held a caucus here the night before the Republican convention. Mr. Dixon says that he did not attend any such caucus and did not know that one was held. THE RECORD'S information came from statements made on the street by a prominent Populist.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Miss Ida Womble, of Moncure, has been visiting at Mr. B. M. Poe's.

Mr. W. B. Chapin left Tuesday for Red Springs, where he will attend school.

Mr. George Brewer has gone to Raleigh to clerk in Walter Woollcott's store.

Mrs. T. C. James and son, of Wilmington, are visiting her sister, Mrs. W. L. London.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bland, of Raleigh, have been on a week's visit to Mr. C. C. Hatch.

Mr. J. C. Lanius has gone to Tennessee on a collecting trip for the Wrought Iron Range Company.

Mr. H. M. London, of the Census Bureau at Washington, is here on a three-weeks leave of absence.

Miss Foy Fike will leave Monday for Greensboro Female College.

Mr. J. M. Taylor, of Rock Hill, S. C., is here visiting his brother, Dr. J. N. Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Horne has returned from a visit to Mount Airy, and is accompanied by Mrs. A. H. Merritt of that place.

Mrs. J. H. Currie and children, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jackson, leave tomorrow for their home in Fayetteville.

Mr. Marion Perry, of Hadley township, has returned home from the Rex hospital at Raleigh greatly improved by a surgical operation there performed.

COTTON GIN STATISTICS.

Senator Pritchard has had Mr. J. A. Giles appointed special agent of the Census office to report the cotton gin statistics of this county, as provided for by an act of the last Congress. An agent is appointed in every county in which there are ten or more cotton gins, and his duty is to visit every gin in his county three times and report the number of bales of cotton ginned.

His first visit will be made the week beginning October 20th, the second after the middle of December, and the third the last of February, when it is supposed all the cotton has been ginned. Every agent reports to the Census office at Washington, and that office at once publishes the number of bales ginned, so that the cotton [illegible] may know the size of the cotton crop, and not be so much at the mercy of the speculators. In this county there are fifty gins.

MR. GILBERT [illegible].

After weary months of sickness Mr. Atlas F. Gilbert "fell on sleep" at his home at Siler City on Wednesday of last week. He was buried next day at Goldston with Masonic honors and also with religious services by Rev. W. E. Thom. The esteem in which he was held was attested by the large number of friends who attended the burial, several ladies and gentlemen going over the [illegible].

He was born and reared and always resided in this county. He was among the first to volunteer in the Confederate army, and was [illegible] in Company [illegible] North Carolina [illegible] Capt. W. [illegible] company, [illegible] gallantly to the end of the war. [illegible] after the war he studied law and had been in active practice for about 25 years. His was a bright and cheerful disposition and he was a most genial companion, winning the friendship of all who knew him. To his bereaved children we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and now, that "after life's fitful fever he sleeps well," may he rest in peace!

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The county board of elections, consisting of Robert W. Bland, Thomas Horton and John T. [illegible], met here on last Monday and organized by electing Mr. Bland chairman. They then appointed the registrars and poll-holders for the precincts of this county, as follows:

ALBRIGHT—W. B. Teague, J. W. Pearce, H. W. Johnson.

ASBURY—Ed. R. Petty, J. R. Burns, Charles Gunther.

BALDWIN—D. M. Norwood, Fletcher Strowd, Ernest Norwood.

BEAR CREEK—B. A. Phillips, D. Y. White, U. G. Willett.

BUCKHORN—James E. Cross, A. H. Marks, J. H. Cotton.

CENTRE—Spence Taylor, F. S. Hill, J. W. Moore.

GOLDSTON'S MILLS—N. G. Yarboro, H. J. Booker, C. H. Culver.

GULF—R. W. Palmer, M. J. Jordan, Frank P. Jones.

HADLEY—S. P. Teague, Jr., M. K. Perry, O. H. Johnson.

HICKORY MOUNTAIN—T. A. Kirkman, Wm. A. Headen, John T. Duncan.

LOCKVILLE—R. J. Utley, E. F. Watkins, C. D. Wilkie.

MATTHEWS—J. M. Cabiness, N. A. Jones, J. W. Wrenn.

NEW HOPE—W. B. Wilson, W. T. Edwards, M. R. Mann.

RICHMOND—L. J. McIver, J. R. Rives, W. L. Goldston.

ROCKY RIVER—Wm. Lindsay, C. C. Hamlet, J. R. Ellington.

ROSEVILLE—R. L. Ward, E. W. Atwater, A. L. Blake.

WILLIAMS—Jackson D. Williams, Lonnie Hinton, J. F. Council.

The first name for each precinct is the registrar, and the other two are the poll-holders, one of whom is a Democrat and the other a Republican, each appointed on the recommendation of the chairman of the county executive committee of his party.

There will be an entirely new registration this year, and nobody can vote unless he registers. Every registrar is required to open his book on Thursday, the 2nd day of October, and keep it open every day, except Sundays, until sunset on Saturday, the 25th of October. So, tell your neighbors they must register between the 2nd and 25th days of October, if they wish to vote on Tuesday, the 4th of November.

A Battleship Described.

(Thinking it might interest our readers to learn something about our navy's great battleships, we publish the following description of the "Indiana," written by Midshipman J. J. London, who with other cadets of the naval academy went on a cruise on her in July and August.—ED. RECORD.)

The U. S. S. (United States Ship) Indiana is a coast line battleship of the first class. She was launched in 1895 at Philadelphia, being built under the same contract as the "Oregon" and "Massachusetts." At that time these vessels were the largest ships in our navy, but recently vessels of the "Wisconsin," "Georgia," "Alabama," "Kentucky" and "Illinois" types have been built, which are slightly heavier in tonnage, faster in speed, and have important changes in armament.

These battleships are of course not as large as some vessels in the merchant service, where carrying capacity is the most important factor, the reason for which is easily explained. If so very large the cost of propelling them would be enormous, and they would present an easy target to an enemy. However, a general idea of the size of the ship may be obtained from the following figures: It is about 370 feet in length, 63 feet in breadth at the center of the ship, and draws 26 feet of water. There are six decks to the ship, beginning from above they are, the [illegible] deck, the [illegible] deck, the main deck, the berth deck, the orlop deck, the platform deck and the hold [illegible], so that from the bridge deck to the bottom of the ship is about 50 feet. The size of the vessel is better realized when it is compared with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] feet wide, [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible].

The [illegible] of the "Indiana" consists of four [illegible] inch [illegible] [illegible] pounders, [illegible] and three [illegible]. The 13 inch guns are mounted in pairs in turrets 26 feet in diameter. Turrets were first used [illegible] Monitors in the Civil War [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] box placed on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the main deck. The turret [illegible] by machinery which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the barbette. The [illegible] [illegible] 15 inches thick and [illegible] the barbette. The two 13 inch guns are mounted inside the turret side by side and project from the side of the turret. These guns receive their ammunition from the [illegible] of the [illegible], which [illegible] 13 inches. It may be [illegible] to know how such heavy guns [illegible] [illegible] 1,100 pounds [illegible] [illegible] 500 pounds of powder to fire them, and the projectile itself weighs 1,100 pounds. Needless to say everything is done by machinery. The breech of the gun is first opened by turning the operating lever through sixty revolutions, the breech plug, which weighs about 1,000 pounds, is thus withdrawn, and revolves on a pivot to the side of the gun. The ammunition hoist then brings up the projectile and powder from a deck about thirty feet below. The hoist is run by hydraulic pressure and is controlled by a lever in the top of the turret. It stops just in front of the breech of the gun and the shell, then the powder is rammed into the gun by means of a hydraulic rammer. The breech block is then closed, and the gun is ready to be fired. There is an elevated seat between the two guns, and, by means of levers, the guns are elevated and lowered, and the turret turned. Directly in front of this seat are two slits in the side of the turret about two inches wide by a foot long, and they cross at right angles. Through these slits the operator sights the guns by means of a telescope, which is so connected with the guns that when it is sighted upon the target the guns are trained upon it. At this same seat is an electric apparatus which upon pressing it fires the gun. The range of this gun is about ten miles, and the shell goes with such velocity that nothing ever built by man can withstand the impact. It is said that if this projectile struck a turret of an enemy's ship, it would not only go through it, but would sweep it completely off the ship. It costs about $1,000 to fire this gun once.

The 8-inch guns are mounted in turrets also, but they weigh only 37,800 pounds, fire a 250 pound projectile and require 125 pounds of powder. The 13-inch, 8-inch and 6-inch guns constitute the main battery, and are used to fire at distant objects. The 6 pounders, 1 pounders (named from the weight of the projectile respectively), and rapid-fire guns constitute the secondary battery; they are used at close range, to repel torpedo boat attacks, etc., although they created great havoc on board the largest Spanish ships at Santiago.

Battleships of the "Indiana's" class are very heavily armored, and have comparatively slow speed. The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for coast defence mainly, they can be easily [illegible] [illegible]. They are armored heaviest at the most exposed parts. The machinery, which propels the ship has to be better protected than any other part. There is a perfect maze of machinery in the hold of the ship, it is all carefully arranged with a view to economizing space. The "Indiana" has twin propellers and a great amount of steam is required to run them. There are eight main boilers, besides several auxiliary ones, on board. It requires a small army of men, called stokers, to keep the furnaces supplied with coal.

The heat down in the engine rooms and in the fire rooms is terrific. Every modern appliance is used to bring in fresh air and moderate the heat. Ventilators and electric fans are used and four blowers are kept at work continually but still the heat remains to a great extent.

There are four dynamos on board which furnish electricity for lighting purposes, for four flash lights, and for operating two winches and four ammunition hoists. There is an ice machine which makes sufficient ice for the ship's company. All the water used is sea water, which is evaporated to free it of the salt, and then distilled.

Commissioners' Meeting.

The county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on last Monday, and audited the following accounts:

J. L. Cook, for serving road orders	$ 1.20
Dr. J. N. Taylor, for one day's services as member of sanitary board	2.00
J. J. Johnson, as agent [illegible]	1.60
R. C. Beal, insolvent fees	1.85
Columbus Rogers, for work on stockless fence	4.45
L. H. Hearne, for carrying Eleanor Cornan to county home	1.00
R. R. Farrell, for serving road orders	2.00
E. A. Scoggins, for repairs on [illegible] creek and Haywood bridges	20.67
Dr. W. M. Burns, for services on sanitary board	3.40
R. Snow, for lumber	5.20
C. F. Hinshaw, for carrying Neill [illegible] child to county home	6.00
T. A. Beals, for supplies	3.02
L. G. J. Jason, for services at county home	25.00
W. F. Brooks, for filling out sheriff's and [illegible] and services [illegible] board	121.56
T. E. [illegible], for [illegible] [illegible] public road	1.25
W. F. Jones, as commissioner for road	1.00
Henry Hill, for coffin for Gracy Lucas	2.00
Womble & Kimberly, for supplies	23.52
R. H. Dixon, on account [illegible] [illegible]	13.82
J. A. [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] John Crutchfield from Fayetteville	12.25
A. [illegible] [illegible] county home	12.00
W. A. Walker, as supt. [illegible] county home	52.50
R. H. Webster, as road commissioner	1.00
Pou Atwater Co. for supplies	13.85
W. S. Cook, sheriff of Cumberland, for feeding Jake Crutchfield	4.50
W. F. Brooks, on account of P. and P. stock law	139.75

Ordered, That R. N. Boyd be exempt from poll tax on account of poverty and infirmity.

Bynum Locals.

Bynum, N. C., Sept. 2.

No fever in our village. The sick are all up and out. We have not had a new case for four weeks. We dispensed with the services of our trained nurse Saturday.

Mr. C. W. Bynum left this morning for Graham, accompanied by the trained nurse, Miss Wood, who will have charge of Rev. G. C. Green during his sickness. Mr. Green's condition is unchanged. He has malarial fever in a bilious form. Messrs. L. B. and C. W. Bynum spent Sunday at his bedside. The community regrets to see Miss Wood leave. She has been a very efficient and competent nurse during the sickness on the hill.

The factory shut down Saturday afternoon to remain silent for a week or ten days. It will resume work as soon as the race is cleaned out and repaired.

Quite a force of hands, under the supervision of Mr. C. W. Bynum, is improving and repairing the mill race.

The meeting at Mt. Gilead resulted in nineteen accessions to the church, Rev. Woodruff preached some very excellent sermons during the series.

The meeting at Mt. Pleasant, under the charge of Rev. R. W. Bailey was very interesting. It resulted in much benefit to the church.

On Thursday the quarterly conference of Haw River circuit was held at Ebenezer church, Rev. R. R. Hall presiding. It was well attended and was unusually good for a week day conference.

Mrs. Martha Atwater left Monday morning for Raleigh to be present at the [illegible] of her daughter [illegible] [illegible] W. Jenkins, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. The nuptials will be celebrated Wednesday evening, Rev. [illegible], of the Raleigh [illegible], officiating.

On Saturday afternoon the Mt. Gilead base ball team will cross bats with the Pittsboro nine.

The Bynum Sunday school will picnic in [illegible] [illegible] on the suburbs of Pittsboro, Saturday. They will [illegible] [illegible] in wagons. Refreshments of the season will be served in the school.

Misses M[illegible] and Claudie Creel returned home yesterday from Pittsboro where they have been [illegible] for the past two months.

Several of the operatives are spending their vacation visiting friends in other sections.

ROBIN ADAIR.

Status of the Farming Industry.

There are 10,438,219 persons engaged in agricultural pursuits, while all other industries engage [illegible] persons. One-third of the entire area of this country is devoted to [illegible] of the soil. There are today 5,739,657 farms in the United States, and the value of farm property, including improvements, stock and implements, is [illegible]. The number of farms has quadrupled in the past fifty years, while the value of the farming land today is five times as great as the selling price of fifty years ago. More than [illegible] farms have been laid out and [illegible] to settlers, principally in the West in the past [illegible]. Half a thousand [illegible] were [illegible] by the Government [illegible]. When the Indian [illegible] opened for settlement, [illegible] acres of the [illegible] that will be offered [illegible] at low prices and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the ranks. [illegible] [illegible] United States [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] acres, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], France, Germany, Austria [illegible] the Transvaal, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. None of these countries or all of them combined would make a respectable showing with our agricultural products. The value of farm exports in 1901 was [illegible]. From "The Farmer's Balance Sheet for 1902," by [illegible], in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for September.

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