

Local Records.

White spring oats at Poe-Atwater Mer. Co.

Elkin and Snow Camp all-wool blankets at Bynum & Headen's.

The road commissioners will not meet again before the first Monday in March.

All outfits and flannels are going at greatly reduced prices at Bynum & Headen's.

Poe-Atwater Mer. Co. will, for a few days yet, pay 25c cash or 30c a bushel in trade for cotton seed.

Inventory Sale - 1 to 1/2 off on all winter goods. Bargains in everything. Come early. J. R. Weatherspoon, Sanford, N. C.

Congressmen are now flooding the country with packages of garden seed, and many a constituent's heart is made glad by being thus remembered.

Bynum & Headen want you to inspect their line of hamburgs and lazes. They have one of the largest and best assorted lines ever brought to Pittsboro.

Poe-Atwater Mer. Co. are agents for the Chase City Buggies and one-horse wagons, which are the best bargains and wagons on the market at the price.

For all kinds of farming utensils - in fact everything used on the farm - call on Bynum & Headen. Try their Syracuse or Lynchburg plows. You will find them the best.

Mr. Henry L. Burns, of Baldwin township, sold a bale of cotton at West Durham, one day last week, for \$74.25. It weighed 510 pounds and the price was 14 1/2 cents a pound.

Dr. Irrie (Dentist) will be at Goff at Mr. T. J. Harrington's residence prepared to all kinds of dental work Tuesday, February 9th, and will remain until the following Saturday noon.

We regret to hear of the death of Mr. H. J. Holt, who died of typhoid fever on last Sunday night. He had been the section foreman on the Pittsboro railroad nearly ever since it was built, and there was no one more faithful to his duties than he was.

On last Sunday Mr. R. H. Hayes was driving with Mr. Jacob Thompson a new horse, recently purchased by him, when the horse ran away and broke up the buggy, but neither of the occupants was hurt as they both jumped out soon after the horse began to run.

B. B. Wagoner & Co. will have another car-load of horses here today, and next week will have another car-load of horses and mules from Alleghany county and Virginia. For court work they will also have 25 horses and mules raised by B. B. Wagoner, near Thomasville.

You will soon be wanting to fix up your garden to keep the chickens out. You will find a nice lot of poultry wire at W. L. London & Son's also a full line of plows and plow castings. Buy an Oliver Chilled steel beam plow if you want the best made and one that will turn any kind of land.

W. L. London & Son have given the contract to Mr. B. Nove for the immediate erection of a two-story addition to their brick store. The present "L" to the store, which is 28 feet in width, will be lengthened 60 feet. This will prove quite a substantial improvement to their store and will give them more room to enlarge their stock.

You will find at W. L. London & Son's the best stock of goods in the county. If you want a good cook stove that is the place. If you want a piece of furniture you can find it there. If you want anything to eat they have it. If you want the best shoe for the money come and see it. A nice suit of clothes can be had there for a little money.

Last Tuesday being Leo's birthday, exercises appropriate to the occasion were held in the afternoon at the Pittsboro Academy. A short address was delivered by the principal, some of the students recited Confederate poetry and several old war songs were sung. It is well for the rising generation to be taught to revere the memory of so great a man as Gen. Lee.

Mr. R. P. Johnson, county superintendent of schools, has been visiting the public schools for the past two weeks and it will take about four more weeks to visit all of them. Chatham is said to have more school districts (130) than any other county in the State. Mr. Johnson says the schools thus far visited by him are doing very well and that the teachers seem to be well qualified for their work.

A SHORT HONEYMOON.

We mentioned last week that the attempted marriage of a thirteen-year-old girl in this county was likely to get some people in trouble, and so it has. Warrants were issued for the arrest of the groom and his "best man," who had falsely stated the girl's age when he got the marriage license.

Before the warrants could be served the two men escaped and thus far have not been arrested. The bride did not accompany the groom in his flight, and their honeymoon was cut short.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Miss Kate Hanks has gone on a visit to Raleigh.

Mr. B. M. Poe has returned from a short visit to Atlanta.

Mrs. W. L. London and Miss Maggie Haughton leave today for Charlotte, where they will visit relatives.

Mr. Harlowe Taylor has gone to Bryson City, Swain county, to recuperate his health, which is very feeble.

Mrs. Ella T. Jordan, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. B. DeGraffenreid, for a week, left Monday for Durham.

Mr. R. F. Brewer, who has been spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. M. C. Brewer, has returned to his home in Florida.

Mrs. W. H. Moore and Miss Mattie Moore are visiting in Rockingham, where they attended the wedding of Mrs. William Steele.

Mr. Samuel W. Womble has moved his family from Lockville to the "pasture" farm, near here, which he bought a year ago from Mr. C. C. Hatch.

Chatham's Confederate Monument.

I wish to express myself as being heartily in favor of the proposed Confederate monument and the plan adopted to raise the needed funds by the Daughters of Confederacy. The school children of the county cannot contribute to a more worthy cause, and I trust will gladly do so. There should be a monument to those faithful heroes who through so many trials and hardships never wavered in defense of their country, their homes and their families. They deserve at our hands greater honors than we have heretofore done. Our grandfathers, fathers, brothers and friends constitute largely our Confederate debt, and we should consider it our duty as well as an act of love and charity to contribute to their memory. I am indeed proud that I am a son of a Confederate soldier, and have an opportunity to contribute to the erection of a monument to the memory of men so brave, noble and true as were our Southern Confederate soldiers. May the hand of mercy deal gently with the surviving ones, as they are being martyred one by one to the other shore. May we, who are the offspring of these noble heroes, ever cherish, encourage and give helping hands in perpetuating the memory of our Confederate dead, and to the living may we speak kindly, yet tenderly and help the needy.

Yours truly, JAS. R. RIVES, Goldsboro, N. C., Jan. 19, 1904.

Cummock Jottings.

Cummock, N. C., Jan. 18. Our industries are getting in better shape and working with renewed energy since the holidays. Our oldest inhabitants do not remember seeing as dry, cold winter as we have had up to this time, and surely must be the forerunner of a good crop year, as the intense cold will no doubt kill off many of the insects.

There is some doubt expressed as to whether or not wheat is killed. A good many think it is.

Mr. J. R. Burns lost a valuable mule last week, after a short spell of sickness. It seemed that nothing would give it any relief.

Mr. W. J. Tally spent two days at Raleigh last week attending the Grand Lodge and transacting other business. Mr. Tally is an enthusiastic Mason.

Shelby Grove will soon move into the house formerly occupied by J. W. Malone. This is his initial step in housekeeping, as he has lived with his father since his marriage.

Mr. R. R. Segovos has moved his lumber plant to some point near Pittsboro. He will use a traction engine to haul his lumber to the railroad.

Mr. K. K. Baughn, of the Carolina Medicine Co., was here for a day or two last week.

ANONYMOUS.

Wolves Devour Children. Madrid, Jan. 14.—Word reached here this morning of a harrowing incident in the town of Vergano, province of Segonia, yesterday. Four wolves, driven from the hills by hunger, entered a school in the village and devoured five children and injured several others. The villagers finally killed the wolves.

Buck's Letter.

Simon Grove, N. C., Jan. 18. We are all feeling the effects of the good price of cotton, but not all in the same way, as some have sold all they had and have spent the money and will have to run on time this year as they did last. Horses and mules are bringing fine prices and land is going up all the time. Yes, land that was selling for four and five dollars an acre a few years ago is now bringing from nine to fifteen an acre. And to help make times lively several neighbors have found gold, silver or copper mines on their lands and are spending some surplus money digging and blasting.

It is an old saying that everybody goes crazy some time in life over something, so I reckon it is about time for the copper fever to strike us again as it did about 1850; yes even the little children are going about hunting in the rocks for whatever they can find, like they did when I was a boy; yet I guess excitement will be all many of them will find. There has been a goodly number of weddings of late and from what our accommodating register of deeds says in The Observer there will be several more in the near future. So boys, if you want to get married secretly you had better not get your license too soon.

A few days ago W. H. White and Matthews Bridges were working on the mill dam and took up a plank to let the water through, when to their surprise thirty pounds of nice fish ran out on the rocks and were picked up, some jacks being 22 inches long.

I am right glad pleased to see plan of the Daughters of the Confederacy in having a day set apart for our schools to give the children and others an opportunity to contribute to the Confederate monument. I will promise my little mite and my influence to help it to succeed. With Col. Lane at the top with \$100 and the good women to back it, there is no such thing as fail. I hope all the teachers will make arrangements and have nice programs which the children and others will enjoy, and a good little sum will be the result. Almost any old soldier can make a little speech and tell something Chatham boys did, which the children will enjoy, I am sure. Yes, I believe it was Chatham boys who put their flag on the breast-work at Gettysburg.

It makes us feel sad to hear of the deaths of Gen. Gordon and Longstreet, but it is a reminder that we, too, are nearing the end, that a monument will tell to the living when we are all gone what our Chatham soldiers were.

It looks like we are on the eve of another war. I had hoped that all controversies would be settled by arbitration and that the shedding of blood would cease. We may be a good thing to advance the price of grain to all who have it to sell, but my experience is that it is a mighty uncertain way of making a living.

Well we don't hear much of the bird hunters this season, it is all together rabbits. My boy says he jumps four at a time and the dogs don't know which to run and they all get away. Saw mills have taken the place of stills and there is one almost every branch, but they don't furnish beer like the stills did. I am of the opinion many people will sell their timber too soon and regret it after it is too late. It is the early bird that catches the worm but he don't catch the dollar every time.

BECK.

Question Still Unsettled.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 18.—The Associated Press correspondent on high authority is able to give the following as the present status of the negotiations between Russia and Japan:

"Russia recognizes Japan's predominance in Korea, and Japan recognizes Russia's position in Manchuria. There are two main questions still at issue—the Russian demand for a neutral zone on the Korean side of the Yalu river, which Japan met with a proposal for a similar strip on the Manchurian side. Japan also asks for certain guarantees covering Manchuria which Russia has thus far declined to grant. It is pointed out, however, that the assurances given a few days ago by Russia regarding open ports in Manchuria and respect for treaty rights is a concession on this point."

That the two countries are not at all ready to come to an agreement is evident from the fact that...

made by Mr. Knickerbocker, correspondent to the Associated Press...

"War now would only be disastrous to both countries. Owing to the geographical situation, an armed conflict would result in a great drain of the men and treasure of both Japan and Russia without being decisive. Besides I believe it would not be worth while to go to war on the question still in dispute."

When bilious try a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and realize for once how quickly a first up-to-date medicine will correct the disorder. For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

General News Items.

The plant of the Burlington Cofin Company was completely destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. The loss is estimated at \$25,000, which is partly covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Oxford Female Seminary building was destroyed by fire Monday morning. The fire originated in one of the bed rooms while the school was taking breakfast. The loss was covered pretty well by insurance. It is not known definitely whether the school will go on with the present term or not.

The State has chartered the Durham & Southern Railway Company to build a line from Durham to Apex, twenty miles, to connect with the Cape Fear and Northern Railway, which now extends from Apex to Dunn. B. N. Duke, of New York, is the chief stockholder, and he also owns the Cape Fear & Northern Railway.

C. L. Silvers, a highly respected citizen of Pulaski, Va., committed suicide there Sunday night by hanging himself in his barn with a piece of bale wire. Grief over the death of his wife and worry over a railroad accident in which two men were killed and for which Silvers is alleged to have been in part responsible, caused the desecration of his reason.

Lexington Dispatch: The largest owner of stock in the North Carolina Railroad is Col. William E. Holt of Lexington. He owns about 750 shares. The next largest stockholder is Hon. Joseph H. Choate, Minister to England, who owns 700 shares. The North Carolina Home Insurance Company owns 400 shares. Judge Bryan owns 225 shares. It now sells at \$1.70 to \$1.75.

Weldon News: Sunday night while Rev. W. W. Rose was preaching to a large congregation at the Baptist church the lights went out suddenly, leaving the speaker and his hearers in total darkness for a few seconds. The going out of the lights, ordinarily would not be strange, but there was something peculiar about the occurrence Sunday night. Mr. Rose was preaching from the text, "Thy Kingdom come," and just at the moment when he said something about the coming of the Kingdom of God and said that for this we would all be in total darkness the lights went out. It was so sudden and coming at the very moment that he said "darkness," it put a good many people to thinking.

Immigration to the South.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The work of the last decade in inducing immigration to the Southern States by the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway, assisted by the residents and various industrial organizations of the South, is bearing results that surpass expectations. Large parties pass through Washington almost daily on their way to the South to take up new homes. Special attention is being paid to the farmer immigrants. They are being attracted from Canada and Europe.

Representatives of a party of 200 prospective German immigrants of the Northern States and the Fatherland, accompanied by officials of the railway company, passed through the city one night recently to make a tour of inspection of the South. They are desirous of getting an option on 10,000 acres of land, and will visit the more productive States to find a suitable location. The land will be selected with a view to its fertility, advantages and healthfulness of the community.

Prisoner in Her Own House.

Mrs. W. H. Layha, 1301 Agnes Ave., Kansas City, Mo., has for several years been troubled with severe hoarseness and at times a hard cough, which she says "would keep me in doors for days. I was prescribed for by physicians with no noticeable results. A friend gave me a part of a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with instructions to follow closely the direction and I wish to state that after the first day I could notice a decided change for the better, and at this time after using it two weeks, have no hesitation in saying I realize that I am entirely cured." This remedy is for sale by G. R. Pilkington, druggist.

Military Execution in Hayti.

General M. L. S. ... to start a revolt against the Nord was condemned to death by military tribunal and were executed today in the presence of a vast crowd. Several foreigners, who took part in the conspiracy, will probably be deported.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

The most uniform success of this remedy has made it the most popular preparation in use for bowel complaints. It is everywhere recognized as the one remedy that can always be depended upon and that is pleasant to take. For sale by G. R. Pilkington, druggist.

The United States continues to be the chief objective point of Italian immigration, the number of Italian emigrants coming to this country in 1903 reaching a total of nearly 250,000.

W. J. HUNTER'S LIVERY STABLE. Chapel Hill, N. C. TEAMS FOR HIRE AT REASONABLE RATES. Passengers carried with daily mail between Pittsboro and Chapel Hill. Fare only \$1.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. Having qualified as the administratrix of the estate of J. P. Davidson, deceased, of Chatham county, N. C., I hereby notify all persons having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of February, 1904, at which time will be paid in full of the recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. This 21st day of January, 1904.

NANNIE K. GOLDSTON, Administratrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mark Bryant, deceased, this is to notify all creditors of his estate to present their claims to the undersigned for payment on or before the 15th day of February, 1904, at which time will be paid in full of the recovery. This 21st day of January, 1904.

N. G. YARBOROUGH, Administrator.

LAND SALE. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county in the case of J. P. Davidson, vs. J. P. Davidson, et al., I hereby notify all persons who have claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of February, 1904, at which time will be paid in full of the recovery. This 21st day of January, 1904.

ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1904, at the first day of February, a tract of land lying and being in Chatham county, North Carolina, to-wit: ...

R. H. HAYES, Commissioner.

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SPECIAL RATES via Seaboard Air Line. Commencing Oct. 15th, 1904, the Seaboard Air Line Railway will place on sale round trip winter tourist tickets to all Winter Resorts in the South and Southwest. Tickets will be sold up to April 30th, 1904, with final return limit May 1st, 1904. For further information apply to Local Agent at address: Z. P. SMITH, J. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

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