

THE EXCHANGE.

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Our last issue completed the twentieth year of the life of THE EXCHANGE.

We know but little about the history of the paper during all these years, but imagine that it—like all other newspapers—has had its "ups and downs"—mostly "downs."

For three or four years prior to 1893 the Laurinburg Enterprise was published by Mr. H. I. McDuffie, now of Fayetteville, and in the latter part of '91—for reasons which we can only imagine—the Enterprise and its outfit were sold at public auction, and Messrs. J. D. Bundy and T. T. Corington became purchasers. In January 1892, these gentlemen established THE EXCHANGE, but were associated in the publication only one year, after which Mr. Corington severed his connection. Mr. Bundy remained at the helm for nine years, and at the close of '91 he sold out to Messrs. Johnson & Phillips, who conducted its publication for two years. Then it passed into the hands of our present proprietor, Mr. F. L. Ruddy. Mr. Bundy was its editor for three years—'94, '95, and '96; then Mr. J. H. Cook one year—'97; Mr. Bundy again one year—'98; Mr. J. T. McMillan two years—'99 and 1900; Mr. F. T. Bissell one year—1901; and the present proprietor in 1902.

It is not to be said anything about the changes that may take place in the future. We are here to do our best to make this year the best yet. We have here a staff of men who should be able to do any kind of work on our paper, and we will be glad to find out what they are. To this class it may seem very much to get out of paying for the paper, thinking that they are to have a new editor every year, but they had just as well get that idea out of their heads, and come in and pay for the paper, as it won't be long before we will be after them with a "two-dollar bill."

But dropping back to our subject, we will state one year ago when we stepped into this harness, we knew that it was no gold mine, and that there had been no disappointment, but we assure our friends and patrons that the results of the year's work just ended have been very satisfactory, and we think every one most peculiarly for his hearty support.

As we said a year ago, again many, that we are making no big promises for the future, but we respectfully solicit a continuance of the hearty cooperation which we have received, and we promise to strive to do our part in furnishing Scotland County a weekly newspaper second to none in North Carolina.

We hear whispers of another bond issue election for electric lights and water works. It is to be hoped we have not to be proud of the good judgment and patriotism of our town fathers. They are clearly in the need of these improvements, and when they do come we will always be glad to see them. We have only one station to be established, and it was established in favor of the Independent.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO FARMERS.

A Mr. Dodd, an expert tobacco man, will be in Laurinburg on Saturday, January 10. He will have with him several varieties of tobacco seed, also printed instructions as to how to grow, cure and market tobacco. He will also make a talk on the above subject, in Field's Hall, at 10 o'clock. We hope that every man who anticipates planting tobacco will be on hand, and get all the information that can be had from this source.

Mr. Dodd's ability to instruct us on the subject of tobacco is unquestioned, and we are sure to be profited by his visit.

Don't Ask us about "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer."

JORDAN CREEK. After a long respite Jordan will try to renew his acquaintance with the loyal readers of The Exchange, and wish all a happy and progressive New Year.

The annual festive Christmas has come, and very quietly, but greatly enjoyed by all the "blue-stocking" Scotch of old Laurel Hill section. No fighting, drinking or shooting seen or heard of. All the old and young people seem to have come to the conclusion to pool their good will and give in rotation fine turkey dinners. Beginning at Mrs. Hector McMillan's on Christmas day, with many friends present, a royal feast was spread and all enjoyed the good things. Next day Mrs. E. N. Moore had the old golden roasted and browned for the many invited relatives and friends, then on throughout the week turkey dinners were given from home to home and of course the pleasant and social gatherings of the neighbors were very enjoyable.

Frank McNeill and Mrs. McNeill, of Raleigh, visited our neighbor, A. F. Patterson, and other relatives in the neighborhood, and our people are glad to see and own him as one of our natives.

Of course the return home of all our girls and boys to spend the holidays gave new life to the many homes.

The festivities of the season were closed by Mrs. J. C. Hodges' sumptuous New Year dinner to a host of friends. All went away feeling that they had a joyous beginning for 1903.

One of the happiest episodes of Christmas eve, for our section, was that Mr. H. T. Currie stole away from the bachelors' and hid away through the plains to Cumberland on Christmas eve, and at Raeford joined hands, as they had previously joined hands, with Miss Katherine McDuffie. They were united in the Presbyterian church, by the pastor, in the presence of many friends of the plighted couple. After the beautiful ceremony this bride, groom and friends were invited to the bride's home, where a bridal supper and entertainment were much enjoyed.

Next day the bride, groom and a few special friends came to Mr. Hector McMillan's, where had been prepared a wedding feast in honor of the couple. This scribe knows that he voices the sentiment of all our people in extending warmest welcome to Mrs. Currie. Our town is one of our noblemen, and with one accord all wish their pathway pleasant and prosperous.

The pretty girls and lively boys have returned to their schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Lister Carrie, of No. S. C., visited friends on Jordan.

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The Problem of a Tired Mother.

One of the marvels of our time is the way in which the average mother carries all the burdens of social, benevolent, church and family life.

It's no wonder that nerve troubles attack the mother—how can she help being nervous, especially while the little ones are so troublesome?

No woman can endure the strain of her household and two or three little ones unless her digestive powers are unusually good. She can't manufacture force enough to stand the strain.

We can suggest one thing that will surely help her, and it isn't a drug poison either. It is Vinol, made by a new process from that wonderful remedy, cod liver oil; it's a true tonic.

Vinol is pleasant to taste, it goes right to the spot, it nourishes and helps the food to nourish, is splendid for nursing mothers and all tired out home helpers. I have found it safe and good for ailing children. With Vinol to correct the constipation, it has put whole families in this place on the road to health. Used in time, it saves nervous break-down. Your money back if you don't find this true.

GEORGE D. EVERINGTON, DRUGGIST. Mail Orders Supplied, \$1 per bottle, Express Prepaid.

DOTS AND DASHES FROM LYTCH.

Good bye Santa Claus. A happy New Year to all.

Moving and changing houses is the order of the day.

Miss Lizzie Lytch has returned to Littleton Female College.

Mr. Malton Warner, Raeford, visited here during the holidays.

Misses Mary and Annie Parker, of McDonald, and Miss Minnie Price, of Iona, spent last week with Miss Belle Lytch. They made many friends here who regret to see them depart.

We are glad to note that Mr. John G. Forbis who has been suffering for several days with rheumatism is some better.

Very enjoyable soirees were given at the home of Mrs. Mary Blue, Omahuradro' and Mrs. M. J. Lytch, in honor of visitors and friends. The participants are under many obligations to Messrs. Joseph and Ralph Gibson for their excellent music.

Mr. Belton Lytch left Monday for Oak Ridge.

Among those who called to see the new roller mill during the past few days we note the following: Messrs. Wright Parker, Daniel D. Wright and Ed. J. Caldwell, of Gibson; Mr. Arthur McGeachy, of Robeson Co.; Mr. Ed. S. and Florence Lytch, of A. & M. College; Angus Fairly, Marvin Smith and Ralph Gibson, of Laurinburg; Mack Smith, of Chapel Hill; Misses Dora Smith, of Laurinburg and Mamie McNeill, of Red Springs; Belle Lytch, of near this place with visiting friends Misses Parkers and Miss Price.

Mr. W. F. Mangum was seen in this part of The Old North State several times during the holidays.

Several having expressed a desire to see the new flour mill in operation, Mr. D. C. Lytch requests us to state that he will take pleasure in showing any one over the mill on next Tuesday.

A Good Recommendation. "I have noticed that the sale on Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver Tablets is almost invariably to those who have used them," says Mr. J. H. Walter, a prominent druggist of Canada, Iowa, who better recommendation could any medicine have than for people to call for it when they are in need of such a remedy? Try them when you feel dull after eating when you have had indigestion, your stomach, feel full, have no appetite or when troubled with constipation, and you are certain to be delighted with the results which they effect. For sale by Price & Son.

Wilmington, Jan. 5.—

While members of the family were at church in night, burglars entered the residence of Rev. R. B. Join, presiding elder of the Wilmington district M. E. church, and stole about \$6 from a trunk on the second floor of the house. Entrance was effected through the back door and a lamp was taken from the Hall down downstairs and left in the room where the theft was committed. A servant who was discharged the night before is believed to have a hand in the affair and a warrant has been issued for her arrest.

Ask your doctor about "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer."

A Scientific Discovery. Kodol does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even when but slightly overloaded or over-loaded. Kodol supplies the natural juices of digestion and gives the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the injured muscles of that organ are allowed to rest and heal. Kodol digests what you eat and enables the stomach and digestive organs to transform all food into rich, red blood.

W. L. Fields.

REVERTON ITEMS. Back to the routine of every day work, after the holidays. The steepings have collapsed, the trees lying since been dismantled, and broken toys scattered every where, remind us that the festival which is peculiarly the children's is over.

The Reception Monday evening, the 22nd, by Miss Kate R. McMillan's school, was well attended and much enjoyed. The little school room was nicely decorated and tables filled with fruit and confections were in evidence. Improvised recitations and songs by the students added to the pleasure of the occasion. It was worth a dollar to hear Roy McMillan in his role of "Auntie's Hayer."

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this year that weighed from five to ten lbs. apiece. He says the way to make them is to thin them out to a stand like cotton.

Many of our farmers are putting up new tenant houses. Constable D. W. I. Smith is building two. This is a move in the right direction. It is next to impossible to get good reliable labor under any circumstances, but quite out of the question with tumble down old tenant houses.

I once heard of an absent minded man who went to the shoemaker to have his boy's feet measured for a pair of shoes. "Where is the boy?" said the shoemaker, "Thunder," said he, "I have left him home." This was almost duplicated by one of our sports a few days ago. He went to carry his clothes to a washerwoman, and on reaching his destination found he had left his clothes home.

LEATHERHEAD. Ask your lawyer about "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer."

The crowned heads of every nation, The rich men, poor men and slaves All join in paying tribute to DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

H. Williams, San Antonio Tex., writes: Little Early Riser Pills are the best I ever used in my family. I unhesitatingly recommend them to every body. They cure Constipation, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Torpid Liver, Jaundice, malaria and all other liver troubles.

W. L. Fields.

GIBSON ITEMS. Intended for last week.] Dr. W. T. Pate has purchased Mr. J. B. McCollman's store and dwelling houses, and Mr. McCollman has purchased property in Red Springs, where he will move his family in a short while. We regret to lose them from our town, and wish them well.

Mr. Z. V. Pate, of Laurel Hill, will open a large business here about the first of the year. Mr. Pate is well known in the county and will have an extensive trade in this section.

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UNDEWEAR! UNDERWEAR!

COLD WEATHER IS HERE! I have just received a full and complete line of Mens, Ladies, Misses and Children wool and cotton Underwear also a new line of Shoes and Rubbers. See my line of Mens, and Boys Hats and Caps in all the newest shapes and colors, which have just arrived.

Wrights Health Underwear for men worth \$1.25 each my price 90c. Ladies wool Underwear worth \$1.00 each my price 60c. Ladies wool Underwear worth \$1.25 each my price 90c. Childrens wool Underwear from 25c each upwards. Good men shoes only 75c per pr. White Counterpane worth \$1.00 each my price 75c. Ladies ready made skirts from 90c upwards. Good heavy weight comfort, big value, worth \$1.25 my price 90c each. Andromagging Bleaching 1 yd. wide the best, only 9c per yard. 9-4 Sheeting the best quality only 25c per yd. Fortin and Dotted Swiss for window curtains from 5c yd. upwards. Good quality White Flannel for ladies waists worth 25c my price 30c per yd.

Call and inspect my line of wool Dress Goods, Silks, Velvets, Appliques, braids and Linings of all kinds, as my prices will interest you. My line of Kid Gloves, Cashmere, Yarn, Buck-skin Gloves and Mittens are going at bargains.

We call special attention to our line of Embroidery, and insertions. I have some attractive bargains to offer in Mens, Youths and Children's Clothing, Pants and Over-coats.

Yours always to please, J. W. Mason.

THE CHEAPEST STORE IN TOWN. MORGAN BLOCK. Phone 38. LAURINBURG, S. C.

Ask your Minister about "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer."

Gibson, from Trinity College, and Mr. Jno. Peele, from Chapel Hill, are at home spending the holidays.

Mr. Noah Gibson and Miss H. Malloy Adams, of Adamsville, S. C., were married on Wednesday, December 31. Both parties are very popular, and have a host of friends who extend to them many good wishes.

Gibson High School closed for two weeks to take Christmas. Miss Annie McLean, teacher in the primary department, went to her home in Laurinburg to spend the holidays.

Mr. Will Gibson, who is at Chapel Hill, taking the University Medical course, did not come home for Christmas.

Rev. G. B. [redacted] Methodist pastor, preached here Sunday morning, and at St. Johns in the afternoon. We welcome Mr. Perry and his family, and hope he will do much good work in his new field.

Rev. J. A. Mason preached his farewell sermon here last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Henry B. Gibson, who has been working in Macon, Ga., for the past four years, spent the holidays at his home.

Mr. Edson I. Mason has sold his stock of groceries to Messrs. Newton & Thomas, and has accepted a position as salesman with Mr. Z. V. Pate.

Ask your blacksmith about "Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer."

Playing "Dandel." Mother—Why, children, what's all this noise about? Little Freddy—We've had grandpa and Uncle Henry locked in the cupboard for an hour, and when they get a little angrier I'm going to play going into the lions' cage.—Spare Moments.

YULETIDE IN AUSTRIA. Customs and Legends of the Non-German Population. Yuletide as kept by the non-German population of Austria is very picturesque. On Christmas day the Poles in Galicia first attend mass, and then sit down to family supper. The chief dish on the table contains concentrated eggs, which the father distributes. After eating, all eyes are closed and all heads bowed down to the table in the belief that Satan's ladder is then descending from heaven to earth and down the ladder angels are coming to bless the youngsters and to carry away their earthly troubles to heaven. Among the Czechs the legend runs that he who most devoutly fasts on Christmas eve will see the holy Christ in his dream that night. In the evening the usual celebration begins. All lights are extinguished in the house; no fire, no light is visible. The children stand together in fear and remain perfectly silent, as otherwise they know they will receive none of the presents brought by the Christ Child and laid at the entrance of the house. The older folks amuse themselves by throwing heated lead into water and catching from the fumes it assumes some list as to the appearance of their future husbands.—Tribune Dispatch.

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"A man is a man for a' that" but what a difference in em! You require the best lumber for your house; the best coal for the engine; the best flour for your table. One does not buy a common horse when he can get much better for near the same price. This is true about everything one needs.

In a building nothing is more essential than good material. It is the foundation and the walls. Goodness will sell for more, but a building put up out of inferior material than for one shewn together out of common ordinary brick?

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