

THE DANBURY REPORTER.

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OLD STOKES COMIN' ALONG.

The building of a splendid new court house and an excellent jail has done more to give Stokes county an uplift than anything that has happened among us in many years. Outsiders have so much more respect for us than formerly. It has greatly enhanced property values in the county. There is no mistake about this fact. Farm lands are worth more, and there is noticeable a greater degree of satisfaction among the farmers than was the case a year or two ago, when so many people left the county. The tide has turned inward. We learn that the Levi Lackey wholesale grocery concern at Madison will probably remove to Walnut Cove shortly, augmented by \$10,000 in its capital stock furnished by a former Stokes citizen now living in Colorado but who proposes to return to this county. Two new banks are being built, which will furnish money for various enterprises. Roller mills, brick yards, canneries, mercantile establishments, and various other enterprises are being established all over the county. The farmers are improving their farms and building nicer dwellings. The Sunday Schools are in the best condition and there are far more of them than ever before; more new school houses and churches are being erected, the telephone is permeating every section of the county, the summer resorts are doing a good business, bringing into the county thousands of dollars, besides affording capitalists opportunity to study our resources. In a word, the county is on the up-grade fast. This is apparent to anyone.

Let us go to work for the development of our resources. We need an electric railroad through the county, more education, more enlightenment, fewer blockade stills, better roads and saner methods of farming. We need lumber industries, canning factories, broom factories, mining operations, brick yards, chair factories, straw and mattress factories, and a hundred other industries that will bring money to our county and give employment to our people.

The method of Mr. W. A. Petree in raising tobacco plants without burning plant-beds, as told of in his address before the recent Farmers' Institute here, which we are publishing, should be worth many thousands of dollars to Stokes county. Burning plant-beds is fast deforesting our lands, and at the present rate the time is in the near future that we must burn coal or pay exorbitant prices for wood for fuel and building purposes. Mr. Petree clearly establishes the fact that the old-time method is foolish, expensive and useless.

Fodder is russeting on the stalk, tobacco is ripening for the farmers' keen blade, muscadines and chinquapins are inviting the small boy to the retreats of the old field and the wood. These and other things mark the approach of the crimson tide of autumn, the pleasant season of the year, but yet the saddest. For in the air is that "nameless pathos"—a suggestion of sweet days that will never come again, aroused in sensitive breasts by the indications of decay in nature.

INDIAN GRAVE YARD FOUND.

Mr. J. R. Banner Unearths Ghastly Relic Near Walnut Cove—Mrs. Jas. Neal to Take Charge of Cove Hotel Friday.

Hon. W. W. King, of Danbury, stopped over last Sunday afternoon on his way to Dobson to attend Surry court.

Mr. T. A. Hatch, representing the Lexington Furniture Factories, stopped over at the Central Monday night.

Mr. D. S. Watkins made a flying trip to Campbell Sunday and returned Monday.

A son of Mr. Hedgecock, one mile south east of this place, is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

A large spider, about the size of a man's thumb, is creating quite an excitement in this place by forming a straight line of letters in his web. The first section spells warning. He is still printing and we want to see what he will make next. The colored people say they would not kill him for one thousand dollars.

Mr. J. R. Banner, proprietor of the brick yard at this place, dug into an Indian grave yard Monday and found skulls with the teeth and jaw bone intact. He was showing some of the teeth on the streets and they were in a good state of preservation. No telling how old they are; the skull bones crumbled away when taken out of the ground.

Rev. F. L. Tildern, of High Point Missionary Baptist church, who has been assisting Rev. Mr. Johnson in a protracted meeting at Ayersville, stopped over in this place Monday on his way home, and reports a very successful meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley and Miss Minnie Landreth made a flying trip to Walkertown Sunday, returning in the afternoon.

Mrs. Jas. Neal and son will take

DEATH OF MR. ED MEADOWS.

People of Germanton Cutting and Curing Tobacco—Personals.

Germanton, Aug. 30.—The people in this section are cutting and curing their tobacco. Some of the farmers are getting a very good color. Sheriff Petree cut the first barn in this section.

Mr. Elbert Pike spent a few days at his home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Westmoreland spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Petree, at "Oakland," last Sunday.

Miss Eva Voss and brother, Mr. Nat, visited Miss Lillie Glenn, of Stoneville, last Saturday and Sunday. We know they had a splendid time.

We are very sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Ed. Meadows. Mr. Meadows was an admirable young man, well thought of by all who knew him. Mr. Meadows married a Miss Smith about two years ago and moved to High Point and engaged in the grocery business with his father-in-law, Mr. John Smith. Mrs. Meadows' health was not good, so last spring he moved back to his father's and has been farming since. It seems hard for one to be taken away so early in life, but "the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away." Mr. Meadows is just going on before us. We all must answer the call sooner or later. Let us be sure then that our "lights are trimmed and burning."

"LOOKER ON."

possession of the Bailey House in this place the first of September, next Friday, and Mr. Bailey will move to his farm one-half mile west of here.

Mr. J. W. Rierson, of Mount Airy, was in town Sunday visiting relatives.

SOLOMON STOKES.

HOW TO GROW TOBACCO.

(Continued from first page.)

I wish to sacrifice pounds to quality, I like to let coarse or rank plants run up considerably before I top them. And I always prime such plants higher and give them a few more leaves than I do medium plants. On the other hand, I like to top weakly looking plants just about as soon as I can pinch the bud out and give the plant as many leaves as I think it will mature. And I always prime such plants less and give them a less number of leaves than I do medium plants.

The next thing in order is the suckering of the tobacco. Some farmers say that if the first suckers that come are allowed to grow large before they are broken out, the tobacco does not sucker so much after that as it does if the suckers are broken out when they are small, but this is decidedly wrong. There are just so many little sucker germs to grow out into suckers anyway, and the sooner the suckers are broken out the better it is for the tobacco. I have already said, that it is the nature of all plants to reproduce themselves. They naturally exert their forces to develop their seed, and until the tobacco plant is topped, it exerts its energies to produce its seed through or by its bud or top; but when the bud is broken out, then the energies of the plant are turned in another direction, that is, the plant seeks or tries to produce its seed through its suckers. But when the suckers are all broken out, then the plant no longer having a channel through which to expend or waste its force to produce seed has its energies thrown into the leaf, and it begins to gather up and store its oils and germs away in the leaf, and this is what gives us a good heavy, waxy, oily and salable quality of tobacco. When the suckers are allowed to get large before they are broken out, they draw heavily on the vitality of the plants and on the strongest of the soil. They push the leaves so far away from the stalk that the stalk cannot feed or nourish and mature them well. And when the second crop of suckers come they sometimes push many of the leaves entirely off the stalks and they drop down on the ground and are lost unless we take the time and pains to save them; and they are not worth much when they are saved. So you see, brother farmer, that the sooner we break the suckers out of our tobacco the better it will be for it, and the more money it will put into our pockets.

The next thing in order, is the cutting of tobacco. We should let our tobacco get reasonably ripe before we cut it, but not so perfectly dead-ripe that it will be lifeless and papery after it is cured. For the tobacco plant is somewhat like an apple. If you let an apple get perfectly dead-ripe before you take it off the tree, it keeps getting worse after it is taken off, but if you take it off before it gets so dead-ripe it will get some better after it is taken off. And so it is with tobacco, if it is allowed to stand in the field until it gets perfectly dead-ripe, it will be lifeless and papery after it is cured, but if cut before it gets so dead-ripe it will get some better after it is cured. In cutting, unless the tobacco is uniformly ripe and you cut it clean as you go, you should not let more than one hand cut on the same curing. Of course, different hands may cut on different curings, but unless the tobacco is cut clean as you go, they should not cut on the same curing, for they will not pick plants of uniform ripeness, and uniformity is what we want in the tobacco crop. When the tobacco is cut it should not lie in the sun only just long enough to wilt a little before it is put in the barn. You should not crowd it in the barn, as this will prevent a free circulation of the air and heat through it while it is being cured. But as the weather gets cooler you can crowd a little

more in the barn than when the weather is hot.

I have now talked somewhat at length about what seems to me to be the most important features of tobacco culture. I have told you of certain plans and methods I believe to be good, and I have given you my reasons for thinking them good. We began with the tobacco seed, and now we have our tobacco in the barn ready to be cured. But as the quality or character of the tobacco, and the existing state of the atmosphere, as regards its humidity and temperature, must all be taken into consideration when the tobacco is cured, I cannot give you any definite plan or process by which the curing should be done. Each farmer must be governed by his own past experience and by his own judgement in the matter. So, now with these remarks, and trusting that you may derive some benefit from what I have said, and thanking you for your kind and respectful hearing, I leave the subject with you.

KING ROUTE ONE.

King Route 1, Aug. 17.

Mr. Editor:

Will you please allow me space to answer Sunday School Girl and Roving Joe.

Now, Roving Joe, I think the word "and" occurs 46277 times in the Bible which I think is the most of any word.

Now I will give you both a few interesting facts maybe that will do you both good and others, too, as you know that others will read to see if I am correct.

The Bible contains 35,864,89 letters, 77,36,92 words, 31,093 verses, 1189 chapters. The word "Lord" occurs 7,736 times in the Bible. The word "God" occurs 4,370 times in the Bible. The word "Boy" and "Boys" are mentioned 3 times as follows: Gen. 25-27, Joel 4-3 Zec. 8-5. The word "Girl" and "Girls" are mentioned twice as follows: Joel 3-3 Zec. 8-5. The word "Rev." occurs but once which is in the 9th verse of the 111 Ps. The shortest verse in the Old Testament is 1 Cron 2-25. It contains 3 words, aggregating 12 letters, and reads thus: "Eber, Peleg, Rev." The longest verse in the Bible is Esth. 8:9. It contains 90 words, numbering 426 letters. The longest verse in the New Testament is Rev. 20:4. It embraces 68 words, aggregating 234 letters. One verse in the Bible contains all the letters of the alphabet excepting J, namely, Ezra 7:21. The name "Jesus" occurs in both the first and last verses of the New Testament. And God said: "Let us make man in our image after our likeness."

Now, Sunday School Girl, and Roving Joe, will you please describe this image and likeness that man was created in?

GOOD BOY.

WALNUT COVE ROUTE 4.

Walnut Cove Route 4, Aug. 25.—People in this section are busy cutting and curing tobacco.

Mr. Lee Murray carried his best girl, Miss Kate Burton, to Belew's Creek Sunday.

Miss Anna Patton, of Kernersville, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Woods, for the past two weeks. She will return to her home next Saturday.

Mr. Gray Brown went to Winston this week and bought him a new mowing machine. He did not get home in time to try it the day he bought it, so he decided he could not sleep until he tried it, and decided he would sit up with it. So about 10 o'clock Mrs. Lilla woke up and heard him singing "More About Jesus." And she went out to see if he would come to the house and find him asleep. She waked him up and he says, "Lilla I dreamed we had our new machine."

Mr. Nume Burton is looking very sad this week. He must of got disappointed Sunday.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Groves's signature is on each box.

GREETING FROM NEW YORK.

A Stokes County Girl Far-away From Home Rejoices at Our Progress—Some Good Ideas For Our People.

South Edmeston, N. Y., Aug. 7.—I am glad to hear of so many improvements in Stokes. Hope they all may be a success and prove a benefit to the county. It needed a bank long ago. I don't understand why Stokes has never had a fair. I am glad you are planning to have one this fall, and hope it will be a success. It does me good to hear of any improvement in the South.

I hope the day is not soon to pass that the South will be looked upon as being one hundred years behind time. There are being a good many improvements in the South, but there is room for many more. If every one who owns a farm would keep the briars, bushes, etc., mowed along the streams, and by the road-side, that would be one good improvement. How much nicer they would look. Anyone can enjoy a drive so much better along a road where it is clean, clear of briars, bushes, and so on. The road-sides here are mowed when the meadows are. They get lots of nice hay along the roads. I am sorry to say that we southern people do not take as much interest in cleaning up the little corners on our farms as they do here. It adds much to the looks of a farm. I have one farm in view on or near the Stokes line that always looks as neat as a pin. Why can't we all have our farms look like this?

Another thing Stokes needs is decent bridges across the small streams. Just think of the horses having to wade through, matters not how cold the water is. They have bridges here across all the small streams, and most of them are arch bridges made of stone. I never saw a stream here that you had to drive through.

"Cicero" has some good ideas, but I don't agree with him on selling your farm. I think if anyone has a home and has it paid for, matters not if it is a one-horse farm, hold on to it, there is a chance to add more to it. One horse is as much as some people can manage and more than they manage to advantage sometimes.

Three cheers for "Aunt Lucelia's" piece. It just struck me. Her ideas are mine. I believe in having lots of pure air in the bedrooms. I sleep with my window up every night, matters not how cold. Have cover enough to keep warm and let the fresh air in. After you have tried this awhile you cannot sleep good in a room where there is not fresh air. It is a good plan to air the beds well every morning, turn back the clothes and let them air an hour or so. People are looking out for their health more than they did years ago.

I'm sure that the editor knew of what he spoke in the issue of June 29th, about raising tobacco.

I think that the people in Stokes have depended on tobacco so long that they think there is no other way of getting any money. But they are beginning to realize that something has got to be done. Just think of the work to raise it. And it is most always on hand. People here make lots of money raising poultry, and I think that Stokes people could too. Of course, you would have to be at some expense. You can't expect to make money raising poultry and expect the fowls to roost on pine trees. Have some decent houses and lots of wire to make coops and yards for the young fowls. That is the way they have them here. Have the top of the yards covered so that owls, etc., cannot get them. They keep them up until large enough for marketing. If you are going into the poultry business, you want to fix a way to protect the fowls. We have lost lots of chickens at home by minks.

Haying is most over here. Some like a few good hay days being through.

Oats are getting ripe. We had our first new apples the past week.

We are having lots of red raspberries. Blackberries are turning some. I wish that the editor and a number of Stokes people could be here a few weeks now. Everything looks so beautiful, so many different colors of green. The meadows are a light green, also millet, and the corn is a thrifty black green. The buckwheat is in full bloom. Think it has a lovely blossom.

I have been to the falls but not to the lake this summer. I have been invited to spend a week at the lake. It would be a lovely trip for me. I am going to stay a few days if I can't stay a week. Some of my friends went yesterday.

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DRAGGING

down pains are a symptom of the most serious trouble which can attack a woman, viz: falling of the womb. With this, generally, come irregular, painful, scanty or profuse periods, wasteful, weakening drains, dreadful backache, headache, nervousness, dizziness, irritability, tired feeling, inability to walk, loss of appetite, color and beauty. The cure is

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