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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS—SOME FACTS AND FIGURES.

In order that the public may be fully informed as to the conditions of the public schools of Johnston county we are pleased to give our readers this week some valuable information obtained from the annual report of Prof. Ira T. Turlington, County Superintendent of Public Education. To show that we are making progress we give some figures for the year ending July 1, 1900. With these two reports before us we can easily see what progress we are making.

For the year ending July 1, 1900, there were 8,309 white children of school age in this county. Of that number 5,692 were enrolled in the schools; and the average attendance was 3,061. Just think of it. Only about 36% per cent of the white children in Johnston county attended the public schools for 1899-1900.

For the year ending July 1, 1900, the number of white children of school age in Johnston county was 8,310. Enrolled in the public schools 6,382. Average attendance 3,569.

This report shows that 508 more children attended school every day than did the year before. The average attendance was nearly 43 per cent, an increase of 6 1/2 per cent over 1899-1900.

For the school year closing July 1, 1901, the number of colored children in the county was 2,982. For the year closing July 1, 1901, there were 2,965. Enrolled in the schools first year 1,927, average attendance 1,118.7. For the year just closed 1,962 were enrolled, the average attendance being 1,134.66.

We notice that in the white schools the average attendance increased, while in the colored schools there was a decrease. It has many times been said that the negroes will send to school better than the whites. The above report refutes this oft-repeated statement.

Last year there were 108 white schools and 38 colored schools in the county. The recent report shows 110 white schools and 38 colored schools.

The average length of school term for whites for the year ending July 1, 1900, was 16.26 weeks; for colored 13.9 weeks.

For year ending July 1, 1901, the average length of term for white schools was 18.54 weeks; for colored 14.26 weeks.

The average price paid white male teachers for 1899-1900, was \$27.49 per month; for female teachers \$25.74. For 1900-1901 the average price of males was \$28.90; for females \$26.97.

The average price paid colored male teachers for 1899-1900 was \$26.06; female \$22.04. For 1900-1901, the price male teachers received was \$26.54; females \$22.62.

The above figures speak for themselves. They show that there is an improvement in the white schools, and while it is small it shows that our people are becoming more interested in the subject of education. We

hope that the year just beginning will show a far greater improvement, and we confidently expect it.

Last year only 52 white teachers attended the County Institute. This year nearly 150 attended. This is a favorable sign and we may expect much better work from the teachers for having attended the Institute.

Before our public schools become what they ought to be the parents must be aroused to the importance of educating their children. The teachers, and they alone, must do this, and until the teachers do do this they have not performed the duties they have taken upon themselves.

SUPERINTENDENT TURLINGTON.

The County Board of Education at its session Monday re-elected Prof. Ira T. Turlington Superintendent of Schools. He has served as County Superintendent continuously for 18 years. The fact that he has been re-elected nine times speaks more for him than any word of ours.

For nearly twenty years, in season and out of season, he has labored assiduously for the upbuilding of the schools of Johnston county and no one man in the history of the county has done more for the cause of education than he. With love for the work, with great zeal and untiring energy he has labored for the uplifting of the people, at times under discouragements, yet ever faithful, until to-day there is no section of the county but has felt his influence. The Board of Education has done well and best served the cause of public schools by re-electing him.

THE TEACHER'S INSTITUTE.

This week has witnessed the assembling together of young men and young ladies from almost every neighborhood in Johnston county for the purpose of better preparing themselves for the great work of teachers in our schools. They have mingled together, exchanged ideas, listened to the inspiring talks of that able teacher, Prof. Foust, and they will go away, we trust, filled with greater love for the cause of education. Never before in the history of Johnston county have so many teachers been brought together in an institute or other educational gathering.

This means much. It means that we are to have better teachers, better schools and better communities. Better teachers make better schools, better schools make better communities, and better communities make better States. So it all depends upon the teachers. They can do a work that no one else can. But they can not do this great work alone. They need, and must have, the hearty co-operation of the parents. Without this our schools will be a failure. But we hope for better things than this. The teachers will go away from this institute more determined than ever and we are quite sure that they will be able to enlist the sympathy and co-operation of every father and mother in the county.

Georgia Marriage Notice.

Our esteemed contemporary, The Whitsett Courier, has this remarkable marriage notice in its social column:

"Uncle Ebenezer Sprawls, aged 92, was married to Susanna Height, aged 86, on Tuesday last. The happy couple left on the noon train for their honeymoon. We wish them a long life of wedded bliss. No cards—although we offered to print some for them, cheap."—Atlanta Constitution.

A Pennsylvanian has invented a tobacco hoeing machine, and recently gave an exhibition of it. The machine was drawn by two horses and it was operated by several persons, all of whom were inexperienced. The results were considered superior to hand work. The machine is simple and easily operated, and will, it is claimed, prove a great convenience to the farmers both as a time and labor saver.

Directors of the N. C. Railroad.

The new directors of the North Carolina Railroad, on the part of the State, are as follows.

Hugh G. Chatham, woolen manufacturer, Elkin.
L. Banks Holt, cotton manufacturer, Burlington.
L. M. Michaux, travelling man, Goldsboro.
W. H. Williams, traveling man, Newton.

A. W. Graham, lawyer, Oxford.
Dr. V. E. Turner, dentist, Raleigh.

S. C. Penn, tobaccoist, Reidsville.

C. M. Cooke, Jr., lawyer, Bessemer City.

State's proxy, Dr. J. R. McLeland, physician, Statesville.

The appointments were made by the Governor Monday at noon, and were in some respects a surprise—for there were a host of candidates. They were submitted to the Council of State by the Governor and received its approval, though a vigorous protest was made against one of the directors on political grounds.

Wedding Bells—Holmes-Britt Nuptials.

On Thursday night, June 27, 1901, at Benson, were celebrated the marriage nuptials of Mr. John W. Holmes to Miss Emily Britt, both of Benson.

The marriage took place in the Baptist church, Rev. J. W. Suttle, pastor of the church officiating, and was a brilliant affair. It was rendered more brilliant by the preparations made and by the high moral and social standing of the contracting parties.

The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens, and the bright lights gleaming from chandeliers falling upon these made a charming scene. Long before the time the audience began to gather, and by a steady streaming in the door and up the aisles soon the church was filled to its furthest corner with the expectant, the beautiful and the gay. The view around upon the sea of roses and curls and blooming faces, all expectant, was grand; but the flutter of fans, the ripple of linen, the merry but subdued voices "slinging bits of wit" hushed into silence as Miss Eva Holder touched the organ keys to the strains of Mendelssohn. The marriage party and attendants entered in the following order:

Ushers—1. D. Bain and W. D. Thomas.

Flower Girls—Little Misses Lucy Allen and Maude Hall.

Waiters—Wade H. Royal and Miss Nellie Parrish, Jas. W. Boon and Miss Callie Strickland, Oscar Johnson and Miss Flossie Smith, W. G. Hall and Miss Lillie Creech, Charlie Johnson and Miss Effie Smith, N. D. Morgan and Miss Dicey Lee.

Then came the bride and groom. John B. Johnson was best man and Miss Martha Britt maid of honor.

The two standing under the evergreen arch before the altar took upon themselves the marriage vows as impressively rendered by Rev. J. W. Suttle, of Smithfield, and was pronounced man and wife.

Passing out in order the party repaired to the home of the bride's father, Mr. U. P. Britt, where refreshments were served, and spent some hours of such exquisite pleasure as only such occasions can inspire.

Mr. Holmes is one of our best young men—intelligent, moral and energetic, and is a good salesman and teacher. His beautiful bride, Miss Britt, has won the title "the best girl around Benson," and that means much. She has been saleslady and milliner in the large dry goods establishment of C. T. Johnson.

Judging from their characters theirs will be a happy home and life's journey a smooth one. So mote it be. C.

The piles that annoy you so will be quickly and permanently healed if you use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless counterfeits. Hood Bros., Hare & Son, J. R. Ledbetter.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

From my house Saturday night a bird dog, white with brown ears, and small brown spots on body. Liberal reward for his return.

S. R. MORGAN,
Smithfield, N. C.

WHITE'S BLACK LINIMENT.

25c. BOTTLES REDUCED TO 15c. "I have used White's Black Liniment and his other horse medicines with great success and found them to be as represented."

"W. L. FULLER,
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A Poor Millionaire

Lately starved in London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's New Life Pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilation, improve appetite. Price 25c. Money back if not satisfied. Sold by Hood Bros., druggists.

Straw Hats at reduced prices at Grantham, Austin & Co's.

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FOR RENT.

A dwelling house in southern part of town belonging to Mr. J. D. Spiers.

The dwelling house recently occupied by Mr. R. H. McGuire Mr. J. L. Davis house in front of Turlington Institute.

Apply to
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FOR 40 YEARS.

Dr. Worthington's Southern Remedy has been sold on a strict guarantee to cure cramps, colic, cholera, cholera morbus, diarrhoea, dysentery and all pains of the bowels and has stood the test. Price 25c. at Hood Bros.

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I offer for sale one-third interest in the brick stores now occupied by Hood Bros., and W. H. Peacock.

Mrs. Julia M. Sasser.

DWELLING FOR RENT.

I have a nice dwelling for rent on Third street next door to Mrs. Benton's.

W. G. YELVINGTON,
Smithfield, N. C.

FARM FOR SALE.

I have 50 acres good land for sale one mile north of Selma; well timbered, a one-horse farm cleared suitable for all crops. It adjoins the lands of C. F. Kirby, B. S. Pittman and others. If you want it come and look at it. Will sell if desired for part cash and part on time.

Mrs. J. I. BLACKMAN,
Micro, N. C.

FRUIT BEST JARS

Holt Hardware and Buggy Co.,
Smithfield, N. C.

HEMP ALL SIZES ROPE

VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE!

I offer for sale one hundred and sixty-eight acres of land in Meadow township, Johnston county, adjoining the land of J. T. Hudson and others. Of this, one hundred acres is finely timbered, the rest is fine farming land for tobacco and other crops. It has a large dwelling and is in a fine community. If interested, come to see or write to

ELDER JOSIAH ELDRIDGE,
Glenwood, N. C.

Serge and Alpaca Coats at Grantham, Austin & Co's.

Now is the time to buy a feed cutter and I have them from \$3.50 to \$15.00.

W. M. SANDERS.

NOTICE!

NORTH CAROLINA. In the Superior Court.

J. A. Morgan

vs.
W. R. Barber and Nancy Barber.

The defendant, W. R. Barber above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County to foreclose a mortgage on the lands of defendant W. R. Barber, situated in the town of Benson, Johnston County, N. C., and said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the first Monday in September, 1901, at the Court House of said county in Smithfield, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This July 10, 1901.
W. S. STEVENS,
Clerk Superior Court.

WELLS & MORGAN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

NOTICE!

NORTH CAROLINA. In the Superior Court.

W. C. Lassiter, Adm'r of A. Barber

vs.
Clifford Vinson.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County, to foreclose a mortgage on the lands of defendant, situated in Smithfield Township, Johnston County. Said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the first Monday in September, 1901, at the Court House of said county in Smithfield, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This July 11, 1901.
W. S. STEVENS,
Clerk Superior Court.

WELLS & MORGAN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

NOTICE!

The undersigned having qualified as executor on the estate of James Creech, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 12th day of July, 1902, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 6th day of July, 1901.
CHARLES CREECH,
Executor.

Goods at Reduced Prices.

I have a large stock of Spring and summer goods on hand and I have decided to mark down the prices on a good many of the lots to close them out at bargains.

5c. Lawns for 4c. 6c. Lawns, fast colors, 5c.

10c. LAWNS, NICE STYLES, 7 1/2c.

A Beautiful Line of Percales

For men's shirts, boys' waists and ladies' shirt waists 10c. and 12 1/2c.

CRASH—a nice line in plaids and strips, 10, 12 1/2 and 15 cents.

DIMITIES, LAWNS AND ORGANDIES,

A beautiful line at 10, 12 1/2, 15, 19c.

A nice line of Suitings for Suits or Skirts, good Styles, wear well, 10c for 8c.

TRIMMED HATS

for ladies, misses and children, large stock on hand and trimmed up in the latest styles. Prices from 25c up to \$5.

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AT VERY LOW PRICES

as I am compelled to make room for my fall stock. I will leave for the North the last of next month to buy my fall stock.

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Everyday suit, price \$4.50 cut to	Lawn, price 12 1/2c., cut to	9c
Sunday Pants, price \$3.50, cut to	Percale, price 10c., cut to	7c
Everyday Pants at	Calicos, price 6c., cut to	4 1/2c
Youth's Suits for boys 14 years old, \$1.90 cut to	Bleaching	5c
Sunday Shoes, at	Ladies' trimmed Hats, price \$1.50,	\$1
	Ladies' Sallors, price 35c., cut to	20c

All my summer goods are going at the same reduction. Give me a call and I will save you money.

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