

BENSON BUDGET.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Dickson are at Red Springs.
Mrs. J. L. Hall is visiting her parents at Angier.
Miss Esther Smith, of B. F. U., is home on a visit.
Joe Parrish was here this week visiting J. D. Parrish.
Ed Hill is now slinging his razor for Hill & Broughton.
Misses Nellie Parrish and Lillie Creech returned from Red Springs Sunday.
E. J. D. Boykin did not go as far as Washington, but he secured a postal clerk.
It's a bad day when Benson doesn't send a strong delegation on an excursion.

Mr and Mrs. J. W. Benson are in New York, where Mrs. Benson goes for treatment.

Elder and Mrs. Wm. Woodard, of Wilson, returned home Monday, after a short visit.

Mrs. Cornelia Thornton and Miss Hermia Fowler, of Harnett, visited Mrs. G. M. Benson Sunday.

Buckner Hudson is a grower of fine fruit. He exhibited some fine apples on our streets the other day.

Misses Martha Britt and Eva Maddy spent Sunday with Miss Neva Allen at her home in Bentonsville township.

Mrs. Hall, mother of our townsmen F. R. and E. L. Hall, returned home Saturday, after spending several days here.

Preston Woodall and C. T. Johnson have returned from the North, where they vied with each other in buying the best goods ever brought to Benson.

Z. V. Turlington, of Mooresville, N. C., was shaking hands with friends here Saturday. He is pleased with practice in his new home and looks like he enjoys it.

Dr. C. P. Jones, of Newport News, Va., was here Monday and made several examinations and performed several operations. He is now a full fledged eye, ear, nose and heart specialist.

If the rumors current, be true, that a gambling den is running in this town, it should be exposed. We know nothing of the facts, and trust that the reports recently coming to our ears are without foundation. This community could not tolerate such a thing long.

John Hodges, who lives just across the line in Harnett, was seriously injured Monday night by the south-bound fast mail. He had started home from here and stopped just out of town to wait for a friend whom he had left behind, when the train stole upon him with probably fatal results.

For the benefit of those who have become unnecessarily alarmed at the present stock law agitation, we wish to say that if the effort succeeds, it will not be against the law to eat bacon, neither will it be a violation of law to fence your garden or any other patch you want to keep chickens out of. Land owners will pay the extra taxes, and it is thought by those who have a smattering knowledge of astronomy that the sun will continue to rise about like it has been doing, on time; and the Bible class think they have found promises of seed time and harvest to the end. These things we mention by way of remembrance, but there is one thing we cannot afford to leave the people in doubt about by failing to mention it, that is, the grass might grow up in the road; that's so.

NEWS FROM BENTONVILLE.

Glad to say the sick are much improved.

We failed to attend the reunion as the march was too long and the roads too dry and dusty.

The protracted meeting at Ebenezer M. E. church closed last Friday night with four additions.

Mrs. Mattie P. Beasley, of Harnett county, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beasley.

Messrs. Jasper Rhodes and John Street of Goldsboro, came down Saturday to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Lena Rose, who has been visiting relatives in this section, returned to her home in Smithfield Saturday.

Miss Daisy Hardee left last week for Willard, Wilmington and other points before returning to her home near Benson.

'Tis reported that Rev. A. B. Crumplers will pitch his tent in this community soon. Don't know how true the report is.

Miss Daisy Grantham, of Greensboro, and Miss Etha Grantham, of near Princeton, were the guests of Mr. R. W. Grantham and sister last week.

IRISHMAN.

DR. S. P. J. LEE,
DENTIST,
OFFICE ON SECOND FLOOR OF
PROFESSIONAL BUILDING,
on Market St.,
SMITHFIELD, N. C.

You can get your tobacco graded for 75 cents per hundred at the Riverside by best graders.

I am receiving a car salt this week, in nice clean cotton bags, also a lot of stock salt in lumps.
W. M. SANDERS.

Notice to Farmers.

We have bought the SQUARE GIN in Smithfield for the purpose of

Ginning Your Cotton.

We have thoroughly cleaned and overhauled the gins and machinery and are now ready to do your work. We have secured the services of Mr. JAMES OGBURN to run the gin and he would be glad to serve the people. We will unload you at once and not keep you waiting. Our machinery

Cleans Your Cotton and gives the best possible sample. We guarantee to clean your seed and give you a neat package.

Try us and be convinced that

The Munger Huller Gin is the one to gin your cotton.

Yours,
J. W. STEPHENSON,
WALTER RAND.



Up to Date.

Is the remark, when our line of stationery and school supplies are seen. Our

Writing Tablets in Tints With Envelopes to Match

are the latest. Blank, copy and school book, slates, pencils &c. All at the lowest possible prices.

MONTAGUE, Druggist,
GARNER, N. C.

For Sixty Days.

For the next sixty days we shall sell goods very cheap for cash in order to run down our stock as we expect to make some changes in business. If you need

Heavy and Fancy Groceries,

Snuff, Cigars, Tobacco, Confectioneries or almost anything in

General Merchandise

come to our store. Your patronage solicited.

We are agents for the
OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS.
All who want to purchase a plow will do well to see me before buying.
J. M. VINSON & CO.,
Selma, N. C.
July 1-17.

BUY THE CELEBRATED AUBURN WAGON.



The Auburn Wagon Co. have consigned to me one car load one and two horse wagons which I will sell cheap for cash or on time. Come to see me before buying

Respectfully,
W. L. FULLER,
SMITHFIELD, N. C.

New Goods and Low Prices.

We cordially invite the public to call and examine our stock of goods, which we have just received from the Northern markets. We have one of the nicest stocks of

Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, Boots, SHOES AND CLOTHING

Ever shown in Selma. We have a line of Dress Goods that we can sell at a price to please you. Also we carry a nice line of

Ladies' Shirt Waists and Skirts

That we will sell very cheap. Don't forget to call on us for your

NICE SHOES.

WE WILL SELL YOU A NICE SHOE AT A LOW PRICE.

We have just received a nice line of

Men's Clothing

And can sell you a suit from \$2.50 to \$12.50. We have a large lot of Trunks that we offer to sell from \$1.50 to \$8.00.

If you are in need of any

FURNITURE

Call and examine our line before buying. Also we carry a line of GROCERIES, and will make it to your interest to see us before buying.

ETHEREDGE & HATCHER,
SELMA, N. C.

Grand Colored Excursion.

We shall run a grand excursion for the colored people from Selma by way of Fayetteville, to Wilmington,

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1901.

TRAIN LEAVES SELMA	7.00 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES SMITHFIELD	7.10 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES FOUR OAKS	7.20 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES BENSON	7.35 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES DUNN	7.45 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES GODWIN	8.00 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES WADE	8.10 A. M.
TRAIN LEAVES FAYETTEVILLE	8.30 A. M.

Returning train leaves WILMINGTON 8.00 P. M. same day.

LAST CHANCE.

This is your last chance this season to go on a fine trip. Make your arrangements to go with us.

SHORT CUT EXCURSION COMPANY.

SPIERS BROS.

Our stock of Millinery, Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes and

House Furnishing Goods

Is the latest and most up-to-date that we have ever carried.

OUR MILLINER, whose work in designing and style has gained such popular favor, has just returned from North with the latest and most beautiful styles obtainable. Also bought a full line of the most

ATTRACTIVE MILLINERY

with which to supply our trade.

We wish again to call special attention to our beautiful and stylish line of

DRESS GOODS

which surpasses any that we have ever handled. We feel sure that we can please the ladies.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

That we promise to be undersold by no one.

There is no risk to run in prices.

SPIERS BROTHERS,
Smithfield, N. C.

S. R. Morgan,

Cabinet Maker and Undertaker,
SMITHFIELD, N. C.

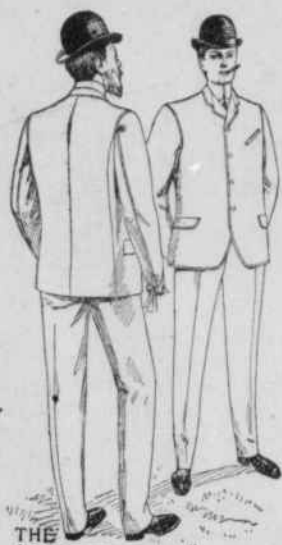
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At State Contract and Exchange Prices. Paper, Inks, Slates, Tablets and all school supplies at

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DRUGGISTS.

New Clothing.



THE "PRINCETON" Sack Suit "EFF-EFF"

New Styles, All Sizes, Stouts, Slims and Regulars. Youth's and Children's, High Class and Low Prices.

...BATTLE AXE SHOES...

They Sell Easier and Stay Sold Better than any Stape Shoe Made.

L. M. Reynolds' Fine Shoes for Men and Boys, \$2.00 to \$4.00.

HATS.

Our Line of Hats is complete. Stiff and felt. GROCERIES.

We also carry a Large Stock of Feed Stuff, Fancy and Heavy Groceries

GRANTHAM, AUSTIN & CO.,
SMITHFIELD N. C.

YOU CAN SAVE MONEY

On every article you buy from COTTER, UNDERWOOD & CO., for they buy for the cash and give all their discounts to their customers. So when you are in town get their prices on

Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Hardware, Tinware, HARNESS AND GROCERIES

and you will be convinced. They are now receiving car loads of fall goods daily. Fresh and Fine. Come and see them and you will be convinced that they have good goods, low prices and the right kind of men to deal with.

Yours for business,

COTTER, UNDERWOOD & CO.,
SMITHFIELD, N. C.

To the Tobacco Growers of Johnston and Adjoining Counties.

Look to your interest and when you are ready to sell your tobacco come to the Farmers Warehouse to see Boyett Bros., who will stand by you at all times and see that your tobacco brings its full value. We give you some of the prices made by the old reliable Farmers Warehouse. We have with us the best auctioneer in the State, who is a fine judge of tobacco, who will always look carefully after your interest and see that every pile of your tobacco brings what it is worth.

We give our personal attention to every pile of your tobacco and will always see that no pile is overlooked. Our auctioneer, R. C. Crute, is a man of fifteen years' experience in the warehouse business and thoroughly understands it in all its branches.

When you are ready to sell your tobacco come on to the Farmers Warehouse and we will make you happy.

Thanking you for your past favors and hoping to merit a continuance of the same in the future, we are

Yours respectfully,

BOYETT BROTHERS.