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## STATE NEWS NOTES.

### Items of Interest to North Carolinians Clipped and Culled from the State Papers.

The next meeting of the Teachers' Assembly will be held at Greensboro June 13th.

Walter Partridge, colored, who criminally assaulted Mrs. Hales, a white woman, in Cumberland county a few weeks ago, was convicted in Cumberland Superior Court last week and sentenced to be hanged April 6.

Will Springs the negro who shot and killed Officer Cole in the suburbs of Charlotte some months ago, was convicted of manslaughter in Mecklenburg Superior Court last week and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

John Moore is in jail in Wilkesboro charged with killing his 5-year-old daughter. He went home with liquor, gave the child some and afterward beat and knocked her about. Next morning the child died, whether from the liquor or the beating is not stated.

Judge George H. Howard, one of Tarboro's oldest and most distinguished citizens died last week in his seventy-fifth year, after a lingering illness. Judge Howard was the son of Mr. George Howard, who published the Primitive Baptist in Elder Joshua Lawrence's day, along in the forties.

Mr. Thomas J. Pence, the Washington correspondent of The Raleigh Post, in a letter to his paper, says that it is reported that Ex-Senator Marion Butler will get a \$75,000 fee, resulting from the passage of an Indian claim bill by this congress. Mr. Butler was employed by the Indians to fight for the claim, which involved \$1,125,000.

Emperor William, of Germany, has conferred upon Prof. J. A. Holmes, the State geologist, the decoration of Officer of the Royal Order of the Red Eagle. Decorations were conferred upon seventeen Americans, all of whom were connected with the St. Louis Exposition in an executive capacity. Dr. Holmes was the chief of the department of mines.

In the House of Congress last week Mr. Webb, of North Carolina, made a strenuous and almost successful effort to amend the Philippine tariff bill by removing the duty on cotton. The first vote was in favor of the motion but the presiding officer ordered a second vote on account of the confusion in the chamber. On the second vote the amendment was voted down, 99 to 95.

Congress has enabled Senator Joseph R. Hawley, of Connecticut, who was born in Richmond county, N. C., in 1826, to become a brigadier general on the retired list, when his term expires March 4th, bringing to an end twenty-four years of continuous service in that body. The Senate passed the bill several days ago, and Thursday it passed the House. Senator Hawley has not been in the Senate in two years because of physical and mental decline. He is a poor man and his friends took this action without his knowledge. During the civil war Senator Hawley was stationed at Wilmington, N. C., for a time, having charge of the garrison there.

### Startling Mortality.

Statistics show startling mortality, from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases, there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. M. Flannery, of 14 Custom House Place, Chicago, says: "They have no equal for Constipation and Biliousness." 25c. at Hood Bros., druggists.

The Austin-Stephenson Co. have several nice young mules and horses they will sell cheap now.

## BENSON NOTES.

Mr. W. A. Allen, of Dunn, spent a short while in town Wednesday.

Mr. J. P. Pittman, editor of the Dunn Guide, was in town last week.

Messrs. W. H. and R. F. Smith made a business trip to Wilson Tuesday.

Miss Meda Holder, of Dunn, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. D. Boon this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Rose visited Mr. Rose's parents in Lower Johnson last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Woodall returned from Dunn Sunday evening accompanied by Misses Meta Harper and Viola McNeil.

Rev. W. A. Forbes filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church last Sunday, preaching two most excellent sermons.

Mrs. Emily Creech went to Selma last Monday where she was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Stallings, who is reported to be very ill.

Mr. Almon Barbour, of Washington, N. C., was in town Wednesday. Mr. Barbour is a young attorney having just located in Washington. He is a very bright young man and we predict much success for him in his new home.

The Anti-Saloon League held its last regular meeting last Thursday night in the Free Will Baptist church with good attendance, and much interest being demonstrated for the cause of temperance. The next meeting will be held at the Baptist church on Thursday night, March 9th.

On Wednesday evening, February 22nd, a most delightful social intertainment was given at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hall, in honor of Miss Jenkins, of Granville county. It was an occasion of much pleasure for the young people, and all who attended spent a most pleasant evening.

SOLONA.

## SELMA NEWS.

Mr. Lewis Lee is erecting a dwelling on Pollock street.

Hon. Claude W. Smith will move his family here April 1st.

Mr. M. C. Winston went to Raleigh Thursday on business.

Mrs. R. B. Carrington has returned from a visit to Manchester, Va.

Mrs. N. E. Edgerton and little Ed Wednesday afternoon. Ed left his billy goat at home this time.

A horse trader struck town Tuesday and you know what that means for Pat Parker—almost afoot.

Wednesday was the warmest day we have had since the first day of January. The thermometer stood at 70 degrees on that day and 68 Wednesday.

Mr. D. H. Graves is having his farm laid off into lots which he will offer for sale soon—all nice desirable building lots in the well drained sandy part of town.

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Selma Cotton Mills at the mill on Thursday March 9th. All stockholders are requested to attend as important business will come up.

Mr. Henry E. Earp, a Johnston county boy, has been given charge of the shifter engine on the Coast Line here and has moved his family here. We are glad to welcome them to our town.

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### Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye." Good for burns and ulcers too. Only 25c. at Hood Bros. drug store.

## Legislative Notes.

The bill allowing the Dispensary towns in Johnston County to vote on the question of Dispensary or Prohibition upon a petition of one-third of the qualified voters of any town asking for an election has passed the General Assembly and is now law.

The McNinch Divorce Bill passed the House last week and the people are waiting for the Senate to do its duty and pass the bill and thus somewhat diminish the divorce evil in this state.

The Rockingham Anglo-Saxon says: "This Legislature may be composed of the greatest men in the state—we'll think so if they appropriate all the money they are asked to and no deficit results."

The Ward Bill restricting the manufacture of liquor in towns of less than 1,000 inhabitants passed the House Tuesday by a vote of 74 to 35. Having already passed the Senate it is now a law of the state and will strengthen the Watts Law. It does away with Glenn Williams' great whiskey distillery at Williams.

Both Houses of the Legislature are dispatching much business. At Tuesday night's session the House passed the Machinery and Revenue bill, and the Odell pension, increasing pension of Confederates to a total of \$275,000 instead of \$200,000, as it now stands.

When the bill to issue \$100,000 for the erection of a State hall of records came up on its third reading Wednesday it was finally defeated by a vote of 22 to 15.

A message from the Governor was sent to the Legislature Wednesday advocating an appropriation of \$5,000 for a school of technology at Spray, N. C., the site and buildings for which will be donated by Mr. B. Frank Mebane, and other manufacturers.

The House Committee on Liquor Traffic has ordered an unfavorable report on the bill of Mr. Feimster, of Catawba, repealing the charters of Williams and Shore as the Ward bill had passed. The committee reported favorably the Laughinghouse bill for a dispensary at Falkland, Pitt county, and the bill of Mr. Stewart, of Dunn, for an election on the dispensary question at Dunn, this to be ordered in fifteen days after a certified copy of the act is received by the town authorities. An unfavorable report was made on the Alexander bill regulating hours for saloons in the State and a favorable report on the bill to prevent the delivery of whiskey in prohibition territory to parties ordering under a fictitious name.

### Sam Austin Gets a Letter.

Representative Austin, of Nash, has received the following letter that is printed "just as she is wrote":

Nashville, N. C., Feb. 25, 1905.

Mr. Austin,  
Dear sir, I has hard dat you hab done an got de licker way from Springhope I sayed wom time i wuz glad you wuz lected but i is sorry, most ebery laddie am sick and wants a lettle licker so i ask you to pleser sir git a spencer in Nashville an be sure to fetch it with you when you comes home, i is gitting on wid my wurk mightly well sidering the bad wethers, please sir be sure an bring spencer wid you for we is bound too hab some licker.  
Yours truly,  
GREEN EVANS.

### The Colonel's Waterloo.

Colonel John M. Fuller, of Honey Grove, Texas, nearly met his Waterloo, from Liver and Kidney trouble. In a recent letter, he says: "I was nearly dead, of these complaints, and, although I tried my family doctor, he did me no good; so I got a 50c. bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider them the best medicine on earth, thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold, and guaranteed to cure, Dyspepsia, Biliousness and Kidney Disease, by Hood Bros., druggists, at 50c. a bottle.

## KENLY NOTES.

A goodly number of our citizens have LaGrippe.

Mr. J. R. Sauls made a business trip to Wilson Thursday.

Mr. Z. T. Featherstone, of Petersburg, Va., visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Evans, of Selma, attended the reception at the Academy Wednesday night, February 22nd.

W. H. Moore, who has been clerking with Messrs. Lucas & Frost at Lucama, has returned home.

Mr. W. R. Perkins, of Pikeville, spent to-day (Wednesday) here with his son, Delano Perkins.

D. T. Perkins went to Goldsboro Monday to attend the funeral of his uncle, C. G. Perkins.

Mrs. D. J. Sipe, who has been spending some time with relatives in Virginia, returned Wednesday.

Dr. R. H. Whitaker did not fill his appointment at the Methodist church Sunday night owing to sickness.

Mrs. W. H. Jones, of New Bern, who has been visiting relatives here for several days, returned home Monday.

Mrs. R. H. Alford and little daughter, Louise, left for Mebane Saturday to spend a few days visiting friends. She will also visit relatives in Raleigh before returning.

J. T. Edgerton & Bro. have about completed their beautiful dwelling on Main Street near the Academy. The painters and plasterers are putting on the finishing touches this week.

Dr. Moore, of the Wilson Sanatorium, was here Tuesday; called to assist Dr. Grady with an operation on Mrs. R. A. Hales, who is very sick, but after consultation they decided to postpone the operation.

The merchants of Kenly have all entered into an agreement to close their stores promptly at 8:00 P. M. from March 1st to October 1st, and at 7:30 from October 1st to March 1st; therefore any one wishing to trade will come before that hour.

The Reception given at the Academy Wednesday night, February 22nd, by the Philologist Literary Society, to the Thalian Society and the Board of Trustees, was a decided success. All heartily took part in several games, of guessing contests, etc., until about ten o'clock, when ice cream, cake, ambrosia, fruits, etc. were served—in abundance—and every one present thoroughly enjoyed the evening. A number of the old students of the school then met in the Philologist Hall and organized an Old Students Association, with the following officers: D. T. Perkins, president; Miss Emma Matthews, secretary-treasurer; and Miss Helen Pierce, assistant secretary. They adopted a membership fee of 25cts. They will meet again March 18th at 7:30 P. M. and arrange plans for some exercise and a banquet at the Commencement in May. Let every old student promptly reply to all communications of the Society and do all they can to make the meeting in May a grand success.  
March 1st. REX.

### Strikes Hidden Rocks.

When your ship of health strikes the hidden rocks of Consumption, Pneumonia, etc., you are lost, if you don't get help from Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. J. W. McKinon, of Talladega Springs, Ala., writes: "I had been very ill with Pneumonia, under the care of two doctors, but was getting no better when I began to take Dr. King's New Discovery. The first dose gave relief, and one bottle cured me." Sure cure for sore throat, bronchitis, coughs and colds. Guaranteed at Hood Bros. drug store, price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

This spring you will need a nerve food, one that will cleanse and reconstruct your nerve centers and wasted energies. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do it. D. H. Sanders, Four Oaks.

## Turlington Graded School Library.

As a result of the entertainment given some time ago by the teachers and students of Turlington Graded School, under the auspices of the school Library, 65 volumes of valuable books have been recently received. With the proceeds of a similar entertainment given last March 100 volumes were added to the Library.

The books were carefully selected from the list approved for school libraries by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. All of them are by standard authors, and are interesting and helpful to young people. Some of the biographical sketches are:

Story of Washington, Lives of the Presidents, Distinguished North Carolinians, Life of Lee, Life of Jackson, Life of Vance, Napoleon, Story of Lafayette.

Some Stories from History and Mythology are:

Allen's North Carolina History Stories, Decisive Battles of the World, Old Time Stories of the Old North State, Story of the Philippines, a large number of Henty's famous boy stories, and the whole series of the Rollo Books.

Some of the best books in Fiction are:

Little Women, Little Men, Old Fashioned Girls, Kentucky Cardinal, Aftermath, Last Days of Pompeii, Bow of Orange Ribbon, Pilgrim's Progress, Jane Eyre, The Spy, Last of the Mohicans, Surry of the Eagle's Nest, Richard Carvel, The Clansman, Silas Marner, Hoosier School Master, The First Violin, Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, Lovey Mary, Joscelyn Cheshire, John Halifax, Little Lame Prince, Red Rock, Among the Camps, The Ruling Passion.

Another very valuable addition to the Library is the five volumes of Clark's History of the North Carolina Regiments in the Civil War. Thanks are due Col. E. J. Holt, of Smithfield, who practically gave these costly books to the Library.

### A Good Woman Dead.

Mrs. Millie Massey, wife of Mr. D. T. Massey, died at the home of her parents here last Monday morning at one o'clock, after an illness of several weeks. Her remains were interred in the Smithfield cemetery Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. W. Suttle. She lacked one day of being forty one years old. Her birth, her marriage and her funeral all occurred on the 28th day of February.

She leaves an aged father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Muns, two brothers, Mr. Troy Muns, of Raleigh, and Dr. D. A. Muns, of Smithfield, two sisters, Misses Grizzie and Sallie Muns, and eight children to mourn their loss.

She was a consistent member of the Missionary Baptist church, and had been from her youth, having united with the church at Shiloh when about sixteen years of age. At the time of her death she held her membership with the Selma church.

Mrs. Massey was a woman of lovely character, tender and gentle, patient and loving, ever seeking to know her Master's will and then earnestly striving to do it. Truly it can be said that her life was an exemplary one. She loved her pastor and her church and endeavored to live up to its teachings, believing that Christ her Savior, was able to sustain her in every hour of need. And when the summons came for her to go to Him she was ready and willing and anxious to go. Often during her last days she expressed her willingness to go home to the Lord she loved so well.

In her death her friends and loved ones have lost a faithful and kind friend, but they have the blessed assurance that she is now living in that "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

## CLAYTON NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Oneil's infant, two weeks old, died Monday.

Mr. Jake Parker, of Garner, was here last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Ruffin H. Biggs, of Selma, was in our town Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hamilton's little three week's old infant died Tuesday.

Mr. D. T. Honeycutt spent several days with relatives and friends here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Hicks, of near Raleigh, were the guests of Mrs. John Robertson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blades, of New Bern, have been visiting Mrs. Blades' parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Durham, of Burlington, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Durham, Mr. Durham's parents.

A good many of our people are suffering from grippe. Measles has been in our midst for some time but has now about subsided.

Mr. Will Hamilton, who lives on Mr. M. G. Gulley's place near here, has had a steel trap setting on the top of a high pole since last May for hawks. During this time he has caught 26 of them.

Mr. Robert Barham is now with Messrs. J. G. Barbour & Sons. We are glad to have Mr. Barham back to our town again. He will be glad to have his many friends call on him for the celebrated "Clayton" and other leading brands of guano.

The young people surprised Miss Olive, who is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Ashley Horne, Tuesday evening. A "surprise party" made up of the following couples betook themselves to the home of Mrs. Horne unannounced: Mr. Sam White with Miss Lucile Ellington, Mr. D. O. McCullers with Miss Loula Shore, Mr. Oscar Creech with Miss Mattie Gulley, Mr. Douglas Ellington with Miss Vallie Blanchard, Mr. Kenneth Ellington with Miss Mildred Young, Mr. Arthur Blanchard with Miss Maie Gulley. The entertaining features of the evening were: music by the graphophone and then Mrs. Horne served delicious bon bons.

The play given here on Washington's birthday surpassed even what we hoped for. The Program was as follows and was executed in such a realistic manner as to win the admiration and applause of the vast audience: Chorus, by 16 girls and boys—Quartet, by Messrs. Wilkes Barnes, Kenneth Ellington, Arthur Blanchard and Brosia Adams—Instrumental duet, by Messrs. Horne and Barbour—Drill, by 16 little girls—Vocal Quartet, by Messrs. Barnes, Ellington, Blanchard and Adams—Recitation, by Miss Mabel Gower—Negro Declaration, by Raymond Creech—Play, "Out in the Streets," a drama in three acts. March 1st. "YEAR"

"Gets at the joints from the inside;" that's the method of cure by Rheumacide. You'll find it is your druggist's pride.

### Three Prisoners Escape.

Stanton Davis, Babe Driver and W. H. Strowd, three white men in jail here awaiting trial at the next term of court, made their escape Sunday morning. Jailer Barham went in the jail to feed the prisoners and about the time he locked the cell these men were in there was a cry for him to go upstairs where the crazy negro was dying. He left hurriedly, leaving the key in the door. While upstairs J. T. Holland, a prisoner who was allowed the use of the corridor, was asked by these prisoners to give them some molasses. As he opened the door the three men sprang against it, knocking him down and making good their escape.

Davis and Strowd were in for larceny and Driver for shooting.

Have Cabbage early by buying your plants from A. H. Boyett. Large quantity just received.