THE ENTERPRISE.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1901

LOCAL NEWS

Read the ad of the Chinese Wash ing Tablets.

Mr. Geo. W. Newell spent Sunday at Mildred.

J.J. Gregory, of Windsor, was in town last week.

Reuben James, Jr., of Bethel, was in town last week.

Dr. R. J. Grimes, of Bethel, attended court last week.

Mr. Don Gilliam spent Sunday and Monday at home.

Herbert Taylor, of Bethel, was in town last week attending court.

Thunder storm monday night accompained dy rain and Lightening.

Everybody is looking for bargains and are finding them at Gurganus.

Workmen are completing the fence around he Episcopal church.

Rev. Mr. Wingate will preach at the Episcopal Church Friday night 8 o'clock.

Miss Hattie Harrell left Tuesday morning for Baltimore. She will be gone several weeks.

Miss Maggie Brown and Mrs Annie Andrews of Goose Nest were in town Tuesday.

Anyone thinking of purchesing a typewriter will do well to examine the Hammond. See ad.

Mrs A.F. Crawford, who has been a patient at the hospital in Baltimore returned home last week.

Mrs. J. Paul Simpson was visiting her Everetts last week, guest of Mr. J. D. Simpson's family.

Dr. R J Bass, Coroner, has been a very conspicuous figure in the court for the past ten days.

Mrs. G. W. Blount left last Thursday for the North to buy her spring Millinery and other goods.

Dr. D. W. Lewis was in town several days this week, and came in our office to renew his subscription.

Miss Alys V. Lutz, the popular milliner of C.D. Carstarphen, returned from Baltimore last Thursday night.

Hon Claude Kitchen and Mr. R G. Allsbrook drove to Scotland Neck Saturday, returning Monday morning.

D. B. Parker, Robersonville, N. C. makes the finest Buggies in the eastern part of the state. Give him a call.

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It looks as if Mr. S R. Biggs intends to build on the lot opposite his house, as some lumber has been hauled to that place.

Mr. W. C. Kirby has had a new roof put on his building on Main street. The building was formerly occupied by The Enterprise.

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Holy Week is Good Friday.

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FOURTH DAY OF COURT

JUDGE COBLE PRESIDING.

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WHITEHURST TRIAL.

Wednesday of last week the case began, Hon. H. W. Stubbs, Don Gilliam and Wheeler Martin for the defense. Hon. Claude Kitchen, R. G. Allsbrook and Geo. W. Newell assisted. L. I. Moore Solicitor in the prosecution.

Wednesday evening was spent in drawing a Jury and Thursday, Friday and half day Saturday was spent in examining witnesses.

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Judge Coble was an hour and thirty minutes reading his notes and the charge to to the Jury. The Jury went to the Jury room at 6 o'clock Tuesday at 9:30 o'clock the Jury returned a verdict of "Not Guilty" to the surprise of the majority of those in the Court House. We give below as ear correct as possible the evidence in the case:

FOURTH DAY.

Examination of witnesses commenced.

Dr. R. J. Nelson was first witness on the stand. Dr. Nelson made a post mortem examination on Thad Jones, the deceased. Testified that deceased was either lying down or standing over defendant when shot according to the range of the bullet.

On cross examination by counsel for defense, witness testified that the range of the bullet was upward and that if the defendant had been standing 4 or 5 steps away, the range would have been as it really was. The range of the bullet might have been caused by striking some object before entering the body.

T. A. Andrews was next witness introduced by the state, and testified that he saw the deceased Sunday and Jones said to him he was bound to die that Whitehurst had shot him. On cross examination Mr Andrews stated that quite a number of persons were at the home of the deceased, but he did not remember who they were.

T. A. Manning the States next witness, stated he saw Jones about 11 a.m. Sunday. Jones told witness he was going to die. Witness stayed all night Saturday, going home Monday morning about sun rise. Did not hear of deceased until Tuesday morning. Witness stated that Jones told him of the occurance Sunday evening saying: That he (Jones) left home Saturday night to go over to see Geo. Bowers on business. When he got near the house he saw some one on the porch and said hello is that you Bill? answer was yes—Jones stepped up on the door block and Whitehurst hit him with a sling shot and knocked him down, then beat him with a chair and shot him while down. Jones did not do anything only tried to keep the Dicksons. On cross examination witness testified that he was alone in the room with Jones when he (Jones) told him of the fight. Was asked by the deceased's father to stay. Said a person by name of Ford also stayed all night Sunday, but (Manning) did not tell Ford what had been told him by Jones. Ford left Monday morning before the witness did.

The next witness was Jno Martin who testified that he knew Jones and saw him Sunday morning, and that Jones told him the same as Manning related, only there were others present when Jones related his story. Cross examination by counsel for defense, witnesses stated that Jones said he was shot while lying down. Jones said he appealed to Bowers when he came around the house to help him saying: if you are a friend to me help me now. Witness said Jones had been drinking Saturday. Dr. Ricks carried Jones home and that Whitehurst was standing by the buggy when Jones was put in.

R. M. Andrews was the next witness; stated that on his way home from work on Tuesday evening before the shooting, he stopped at Bowers' and went in where they were eating supper, while there Jones' name was mentioned and Whitehurst said that Jones had told him that he (Whitehurst) had to leave the place, and before he (Whitehurst) would mess with him he would kill him.

Cross examination, Andrews said Mr. Bowers and wife heard the statement made by Whitehurst.

State rested.

Court adjorned for dinner.

After recess for dinner Geo Bowers was placed on the stand by defense and stated that on the night of the shooting he and his wife were in the kitchen, Whitehurst had just gone out, when he heard some one coming across the field singing, and presently heard some one ask for George. Whitehurst said George was in the kitchen, and then he heard a noise like a chair being moved and then a noise like a mule kicking. Mrs Bowers said the men were figuring and he ran out around the house, Jones said George help me said Whitehurst was standing near the porch knocking Jones with a chair and Jones was knocking the licks off with his feet. Witness said he caught the chair and shoved Whitehurst back. Jones got up and stepped back and then pitched at Whitehurst and caught him by the pants leg and that witness took his hand away. Said Jones then got up and stepped back and said —— you I am going to kill you before I leave this yard. Whitehurst then turned the chair loose and drew his pistol, Jones ran around a tree, and as he got behind the tree Whitehurst lowered his hand, Jones did not stop and said I am going to kill you any how. Whitehurst fired and Jones jumped like he was shot. Jones ran to the fence and put one leg over, but came back in the yard, and started to Whitehurst again, and said I am going to kill you any how. Whitehurst had gotten back near the door block and shot again. Bowers said he caught Jones in his arms and backed him up to the fence and got him over the fence and still Jones started to get back. Witness said don't come back don't you know you will get killed? said, Jones went down the road to a lot and called him (Bowers) and asked him to take him to a doctor, said they met Dr. Ricks near the gate and Jones was taken home by Dr. Ricks. Witness said he was in the yard when every shot was fired. A piece of iron was put in evidence and witness said it had never been in his lot before the shooting. Iron was found where Jones got in the buggy.

On cross examination witness stated that the iron had never been on the lot before.

The defendant was put on the stand next and stated that he was born in Pitt County and lived there until about 10 or 11 years old, then moved to Beaufort where he lived till he was 21. He was guard at the penitentiary for 6 or 7 years. Had only lived in Martin County 3 or 4 weeks when shooting occured. His statement in regard to shooting was about the same as that of Bowers. Only he stated that he was arrested on Sunday after the shooting and tried by magistrate and gave $1,000 bond for appearance at the Sept term of Court. At the Sept term of court was indicted for murder and placed under a $4,000 bond and stayed in jail several weeks till he could arrange it, and has been out ever since. Also stated that he had no sling shot, and that Jones struck him first.

On cross examination stated that if he had been struck with the piece of iron that had been found that would have been the last of him.

FIFTH DAY.

Mrs. Sarah A. Bowers was next put on the stand by defense. White hurst was boarding at her home, said they, her husband, Whitehurst and herself, were at supper when they heard some one coming singing. Whitehurst got up and went in the house, George stayed with her. Here she corroborate her husband's testimony, except she didnt know whether he went around the tree or not. Jones was advancing on White hurst when shot. On cross examination, she has known Whitehurst 10 or 11 years. Did not hear Jones ask Bowers not to let Whitehurst kill him. Said chair was broken to pieces. Jones did not have any weapon.

George told her to be careful about testifying before magistrate and coroner.

Mrs. Nolie Jones, step mother of the deceased, was as follows: She lives on Andrews farm. Thad was drinking when he came home Saturday evening, he brought some beef and asked her to cook it, said she couldn't and it worried him; then she told him she would if he would get her some wood. He cut some wood for her and the children brought it in. He jumped over the banister of the porch and struck his head. He came in and took his hat the cut and said she had to take one more drink with him. Said he would not drink any and Jones said she was mad, but she had better cook the beef because she wouldn't have another chance to cook anything for him. She asked him why, and he said he had made up his mind to kill Whitehurst or Whitehurst kill him. She said no need to do that, he had better go to bed. Jones asked her what she had to do with it, said he was his own man and would do as he pleased, was going to drink what he had and get on a drunk, drank what he had and started off, he came back and asked for a lamp chimney he had bought that day and she gave it to him. He took chimney and sifted some flour on the children told them to get out of his way, tried to put chimney on lamp but could not, his father told him not to do so; cursed his father and told him to get out of his way, he wanted to be some one, saw no one but Thad and thought his father was killed. She went back and saw his father and Thad asked him for his knife, father told him he didn't have it, asked him what he wanted it for, Jones said to kill Bill Whitehurst. Father said again he did not have it, Thad said he did and would kill him if he did not give it to him. Father said he would have to kill. Thad said he didn't care for any man and went off against the barn, then he called his father and told him

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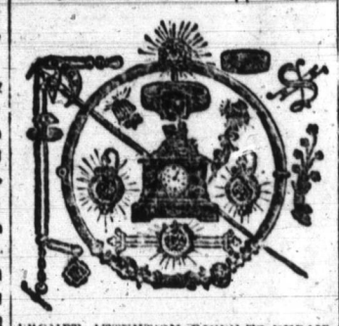

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Report of the condition of the Bank at the close of Business, Feb'y 5th, 1901:

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$8,031.17	Capital Stock	$5,000.00
United states bonds	$500.00	Undivided Profits	$411.20
Furniture and Fixtures	$662.85	Individual Deposits	$29,676.42
Due from Banks	$19,966.88	Certificates of Deposits	$2,000.00
Cash Items	$4.91		
Cash	$7,974.51	TOTAL,	$37,079.62
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I, J. G. Godard Cashier of Bank of Martin County, do solemly swear (or affirm) that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. G. GODARD, Cashier.
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