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THE HOOK-WORM DISEASE AGAIN

Discovery Great Hope for the South--the Barefoot Child in Danger--Probably a Parasite from Africa.

The far-reaching importance of Dr. Charles W. Stiles's discovery of the hook-worm disease is now universally recognized. To the South it is a matter of supreme significance, and it is gratifying to see that the press and our educational leaders are now no less thoroughly aroused to its importance than our physicians themselves.

There is indeed great hope for our Southern country in this discovery. For generations we have had a class of people of the best stock that the world knows, "the purest Anglo-Saxon blood in America", as we have proudly claimed, and yet strangely marked by such inertia and unprogressiveness as to excite the comment of all travelers and students of society. Travelers from other sections observing them have always explained the trouble upon either one or the other of two theories, both alike hurtful and discreditable to the South. The first theory has been that these people were hopeless degenerates, and the second has been that the climate of the South was hopelessly unhealthy.

Dr. Stiles's discovery shows that neither one of these assumptions is correct. The trouble is not the fault either of our climate in itself or of degeneracy in the character of the people. The trouble is a physical one caused by a parasite probably brought over from Africa by the negroes, and which can live only in a warm climate.

There is nothing discreditable about having hook-worm disease. The parasite exists in the soil and any person going barefooted may become infested. Children of all classes are likely therefore to develop the trouble, and wherever a boy or girl becomes sallow-faced, colorless and listless, especially if there has been a case of "ground itch," hook-worm disease is probable, and the simple treatment advised may not only restore health but may actually save life. Thousands and thousands of children in the South have undoubtedly died who might have been saved if Dr. Stiles's discovery had been made a hundred years ago. A North Carolina country doctor reported the other day that of 120 pale persons treated by him, 114 had hookworm disease.—Progressive Farmer.

Women Who Are Envid

Those attractive women who are lovely in face, form and temper are the envy of many, who might be like them. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Constipation or kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. For all such, Electric Bitters work wonders. They regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood; give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth, velvety skin, lovely complexion. Many charming women owe their health and beauty to them. 50c at all Druggist.

Saint John's Day Celebration

The celebration of Saint John's Day on the grounds of the Oxford Orphanage, Thursday, June 24th, 1909, promises to be an occasion of great interest.

An especially favorable opportunity is given our people to visit and obtain a beautiful, heart-warming view of this worthy and efficient institution, in which more than three hundred and twenty-five of the dependent, homeless children of North Carolina are receiving a care and training which should count mightily in their preparation for lives of usefulness.

EVERETTS ITEMS

Miss Ella Burroughs was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Augustus Johnson of Gold Point was in town Saturday.

Miss Tempie Stalls was the guest of Miss Mamie Taylor Saturday.

Mr. J. B. Barnhill of Robersonville spent Saturday and Sunday in town.

Mesdames G. P. McNaughton and John Fraley spent Saturday in Williamston.

Messrs. Cherry and Clark have built stables for the protection of farmer's teams.

Miss Lucy Riddick who has been visiting Miss Fannie Woolard returned home Sunday.

Mr. D. B. Lanier left Monday for Tillery to relieve his brother of business for one week.

Dr. J. W. William and J. S. Ayers attended service at Cross Roads Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. R. Whitley and children of Norfolk are spending this week with Hon. J. A. Whitley.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Rogerson, of Bear Grass, were the guests of Mr. J. T. Barnhill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McNaughton are spending the week with relatives in Scotland Neck.

Mr. N. T. Riddick has returned from an extended trip through the Central and Western States.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Coffield spent a few days last week in Williamston with Mr. A. S. Coffield.

The Everetts Lumber Co., has closed its plant owing to being unable to procure timber sufficient.

Mrs. Jennie Everett of Robersonville who has been spending a few days in town left for home Saturday accompanied by Mrs. S. F. Everett and little son.

Mrs. J. S. Dusenbury from Conway, S. C., who has been spending this week at the home of Mr. J. B. Burroughs, left Tuesday to visit friends in Williamston.

Miss Pattie Lanier entertained her friends last Friday evening at her home on Washington Street. Games were played until 10:30, when all were invited into the spacious dining hall, where delicious refreshments were served. At 11 o'clock, the happy party left pronouncing Miss Lanier a most charming hostess.

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Simpson-Stallings

(Reported)

Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock, there was a marriage of much interest consummated at the residence of Mr. A. F. Stallings, near Jamesville, N. C., when his daughter, Miss Gertrude became the bride of F. R. Simpson, of Norfolk, Va. The attendants were: Mr. Charles E. Simpson and Miss Roland Stallings; Mr. U. D. Stallings and Miss Annie Glasgow.

The marriage vows were impressive, and the words which made "two souls with a single thought, two hearts that beat as one," were said by Rev. G. J. Dowell, of Williamston, N. C.

The bride is a young woman of sweet disposition and attractive character, and organist of the Church of Cedar Branch. Mr. Simpson is a rising young business man of Norfolk. The wedded pair left immediately after the ceremony for Asheville, where they will spend their honeymoon.

A Letter

THE ENTERPRISE and friends

of my dear wife.—

This is a sad letter for me to write, but I want to tell you of the death of my dear wife.

We left Williamston on the last day of March, arriving in Washington, D. C., April 1st. We were gladly received in the home of our daughter, Mrs. C. R. Alley, who had everything done that could be for the comfort and benefit of my wife. The attending physician said an operation was the only hope, and Mrs. Latham agreed to allow the operation. She was taken to the hospital on the 27th of May, and was operated upon on the 1st day of June at 11 o'clock a.m. At 4 p. m. the same day death claimed her. The body was embalmed and taken to the home of Mrs. Alley, where on June 3rd, funeral services were conducted at 10 o'clock by Dr. Waters, a Primitive Baptist minister. Later the body was tenderly borne out and laid to rest.

All of the children were present except Harry, who could not reach Washington until the day after.

My wife told me that she did not fear death, but that her hope of a happier home beyond the grave was strong and sure. I hope to be with her some day when parting will be no more. In my life, I have experienced much trouble, having buried four dear children, but this is almost more than I can bear, and I long to be with you all to-day. But God knows best and in him I am trusting.

Truly yours,

T. J. Latham.

Jessups, Md., June 5th, 1909.

Smashes All Records

As an all-round laxative tonic and health-builder no other pills can compare with Dr. King's New Life Pills. They tone and regulate stomach, liver and kidneys, purify the blood, strengthen the nerves, cure Constipation, Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Jaundice, Headache, Chills and Malaria. Try them. 25c at All Druggists.

BEAR GRASS ITEMS

Mr. Alonzo Cowing spent Sunday in Williamston.

The infant of Mrs. R. C. Bailey is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Louinda Bailey has been on the sick list for the past few days.

Miss Dora Corey was the guest of Miss Glendora Mobley Sunday.

Mr. A. B. Ayers spent Sunday with his parents near Cross Roads.

The rains have put the farmers back in the cultivation of their crops.

The hail and rain Sunday were very heavy but the damage is not so great.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudius Roberson spent Sunday with their parents near here.

Misses Eva Peele and Sarah Green were the guest of Miss Penie Harrison Sunday.

Misses Maud and Irene Leggett spent Sunday with Miss Naomi Rodgers near here.

Miss Mamie Taylor from Everetts is spending some time with Mrs. Nathan Rogerson.

Quite a number of people attended the singing school Sunday and report a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Roberson was the guest of Mrs. K. C. Roberson near Macedonia Sunday.

Mrs. Tinie Cowing who has been spending some time in Williamston, returned home Monday reporting a pleasant trip but very dull times.

Mr. J. W. Bailey's baby which has been on the sick list for some time died on the night of the 14th instant. The town and community sympathize with the bereaved parents.

Increased Taxation

(Contributed)

Being interested to some extent in the matter of taxation, I desire to say a word through the columns of THE ENTERPRISE relative to the recent levy made by the Board of County Commissioners. I have no wish to be considered a critic, an extremist or a growler. Rather as one who believes that we get more value in many ways from tax money than for any other we spend. I recognize it as the foundation of our liberties, and no people of progress will ever be free from taxation.

We are told that the tax rate for all purposes in Martin County for many years has been 60 cents on \$100 valuation, and \$1.80 on each taxable poll. This levy has handsomely paid all expenditures both for county and school purposes.

The building of school houses in the County has drawn largely on the school fund, however, which together with the increased salaries paid to teachers [which I think is too low], made it necessary for the Board of Education to quit building houses at a cost of from \$300 to \$1,200, or ask for a larger tax levy. In 1908 the levy for County expenses was reduced from 17 to 14 cents per \$100 valuation, the lowest in the State. This gave the school fund an additional 3 cents on \$100 valuation. With this arrangement both County and School fund was sufficient to meet every need. At the County settlement in May, it was found that there was a County fund of \$2,800 remaining in the treasury. Therefore it seems to me that an increase was not necessary, unless the present Board of Commissioners in their wise administration expect to largely increase the County expenditures.

I would not criticize a man for doing what he deemed best for the good of the public, but why collect taxes when we have money in the treasury? Paying taxes during a panic is more or less a strain on the average man. If the powers that be will give us better schools, better buildings, better roads and bridges, then we will say not a word about an increased tax, and will give praise to the men who inaugurated the movement. But if the increase is for the purpose of making true a prediction, then we say it is far better not to have it.

CITIZEN.

Fleming-Wallace

Jamesville, N. C., June 9 1909.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wallace, their daughter, Miss Annie Wallace was married to Mr. Clear Fleming, Wednesday evening, June 9th, at nine o'clock.

The front hall door and rooms were tastefully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers, while the guests awaited the arrival of the bride and groom. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Meyzelle, of Jamesville, N. C., Miss Cherry, of Washington, entered the hall as bridesmaid, then followed the groom with his best man Mr. E. I. Fleming, of Greenville, N. C., and following came the bride leaning on the arm of her sister, Miss Kathleen Wallace. She wore a suit of old rose with hat to match. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Petree, of LaGrange, N. C., the pastor of the bride.

As the bride and groom passed out into the parlor they were greeted with hearty congratulations. The presents were handsome and numerous, showing the esteem of many friends and relatives.

The bride is a young lady of many attractions and the groom a popular employee of the Dennis Simmons Lumber Co. Their many friends wish them a happy wedded life.—Reflector.

ROBERSONVILLE NEWS ITEMS

Miss Effie Roebuck was in town Sunday.

Miss Lillian Smith was in town Sunday.

Miss Selma Everett is in town this week.

Mr. J. H. Taylor is sick with typhoid fever.

Mrs. H. E. Cox left Tuesday for Haynes, Ark.

Mrs. J. H. Roberson, Jr. went to Bethel Thursday.

Mr. Irvin Coffield of Everett was in town Sunday.

Mr. Robert Salsbury of Hassells was here Sunday.

Mr. George Daniel of Oak City was in town Sunday.

Mr. Darrell Burroughs of Everetts was here Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Ferrell of Greenville was in town Tuesday.

J. B. Edmondson returned from Washington Monday.

Miss Laura Salsbury of Hassells was in town Sunday.

Miss Maggie Salsbury of Hassells was in town Sunday.

Mr. R. E. Grimes had a mule killed Sunday by lightning.

Miss Maude Powell is spending a few days in town this week.

Mr and Mrs. F. S. Purvis of Hassells were in town Sunday.

The heavy rains in this section are doing great damage to crops.

Miss Fannie Lee Grimes of Bethel is visiting in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dunning of Williamston were in town Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Myrtle Roberson of Hassells were here Sunday.

Miss May Whitfield returned from Shelmerdine, N. C., last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Everett of Oak City were here a few days this week.

Mr. N. T. Riddick, who has just returned from Texas, was here Monday.

Miss Caddie Purvis of Dunn is spending several days with Mrs. A. S. Roberson.

Little Miss Marie Purvis of Hassells is spending the week with relatives in town.

Rev. E. C. Andrews filled his regular appointment at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Prof. J. D. Everett has gone to Rocky Mount and other points on business this week.

Miss Frances Dupree of Rocky Mount spent a few days with Miss Lizzie Roberson this week.

Pattie Lanier of Everetts who was visiting relatives here, was picking blackberries Sunday p. m., with other children. While holding to a wire fence with one hand, lightning struck the wire some distance away and shocked her arm so that she was unable to use it for several days.

Davis-Gurganus

[Reported]

Still we hear the wedding bells ring. On Wednesday at 5 o'clock p. m., June 2nd, Miss Mary Gurganus, leaning on the arm of Eugene G. Davis, was led to the altar and as Isaac and Rebecca, were happily united in the bonds of matrimony, by his Honor, Judge S. L. Ross. Many friends and relatives in and near Robersonville were present.

After the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of the groom's father, Mr. John G. Davis where a sumptuous feast was spread. Many were the congratulations extended to the happy pair by all present.

GREAT DESTRUCTION BY RAIN AND HAIL

Martin County Visited by Floods--Hail in Some Parts did Damage--the Losses Cannot be Estimated--Farmers Discouraged.

"The floods came and beat upon that land, and great was the damage thereof." So it can be written of the rains that began to fall Sunday afternoon in Martin County and continued with unabating fury for hours. From every section come tales of destruction to crops, roads and bridges. People who were travelling on the roads were forced to take shelter with friends along the route and spend the night. All streams were higher than ever before and many could not be passed over. Terrific thunder and lightning accompanied the rain and added to the uneasiness of the people. The storm abated during night, but Monday afternoon the heavens opened again. The electric storm was greater than that of the day previous. Hail fell north of Williamston and did much damage to tobacco. Monday at Cross Roads a quantity of hail fell, and injured crops. In and around Williamston the damage is very apparent. The streets are washed as never before, and in some parts the oozing of water out of the soil makes it almost impassible for heavily loaded teams.

There is no estimate to be put on the loss to the farmers. They are very much discouraged and with them every thinking citizen feels the situation. Still the crops are young and may be able to put on new life and produce an abundant harvest, if there is no other disaster ahead. With the tremendous flow of water goes the fertilizers and the plant is robbed of its proper food. The week has been one of lowering clouds with very little sunshine. Plows are idle and grass grows uninterrupted. People have been unable to market their full crop of potatoes, though the price has been better than for several seasons.

HASELL ITEMS

Mr. W. W. Salsbury was in town Friday.

Mr. Peyton Anthony was here Monday.

Mr. Joe Waldo was here Thursday taking tax list.

Mr. R. W. Salsbury of Hamilton was here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jordan spent Sunday at House.

Mr. E. I. Fleming of Greenville was here Thursday.

Mr. LeRoy Fleming is home for a few days this week.

Mr. V. B. Grey spent Thursday night and Friday in Kinston.

Mr. Washington of House was here Wednesday en route to Hamilton.

Miss Hilda Knight returned home Friday after a few days at Robersonville.

Mr. Robert Salsbury, Jr. and sister, Laura and Louise, spent Sunday in Robersonville.

Miss Odessa Rawls returned from Farmville Friday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Thigpen.

Mr. R. H. Salsbury attended a picnic at the Mayo School House near Bethel Thursday.

Misses Bettie and Annie Low Mayo from near Tarboro were the guests of Mr. W. A. Fleming Sunday.