

Local News.

The Gem Theatre has changed hands. Messrs. Morgan, & Hicks have sold out to Mr. T. W. Mansfield, who will run it.

The Rocky Mount Shoe Company have moved their stock into the store on Main street recently vacated by Mr. J. B. Morris.

Dr. Morton, pastor of the [Presbyterian church in this city, will preach at Bethlehem Mission Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Mr. M. M. Overman, of Westrays, is building a store near the A. C. L. depot in this city and will open business there as soon as it is completed.

Manager Jno. L. Arrington of the Masonic Temple Opera House, has again booked the "Clansman" for appearance here Feb. 29th.

The Francis Willard memorial exercises will be held in the First Methodist church next Tuesday evening, Feb. 18th at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend. R. L. Davis, State organizer of the Anti-Saloon League, will be the principal speaker.

Friday, Feb. 14th, is St. Valentine's Day, and many of the Rocky Mount merchants have on display a most beautiful line of valentines for sale for the occasion.

Says The Tarboro Southerner: "The Southerner is assured that if a suitable location can be obtained, a handsome hotel with all modern improvements will be erected."

A rummage sale was conducted in the store on Sunset avenue formerly occupied by the Co-operative Supply Co., Saturday, for the benefit of the Rocky Mount Baseball Club.

Among the war claims in the bill passed by congress last week was one of William Cohen, administrator of the estate of Isadore Cohen, late of Edgecombe county. The amount of the claim is \$530.

Remember, that in no other way can you have so much innocent fun and real pleasure as in attending "Ye Olde Tyme Fiddlers' Convention," which will be at the opera house Friday and Saturday nights.

All firemen and those who took part in the Firemen's carnival are requested to meet at Mr. F. D. Woodruff's on Washington street, Monday night, Feb. 17th, at 8 o'clock. By order of J. H. Cuthrell, chairman.

Postmaster Robbins and his brother, Mr. Alex Robbins, are both still confined to their home on account of a severe attack of grip. Postmaster Robbins was threatened with pneumonia, but has, he believes, escaped it.

Mr. William Thomas Griffin, one of the oldest citizens of Nashville and well known throughout Nash county, died at his home last week. He was 77 years old and a splendid citizen and christian. He was in public affairs in the county for many years.

John Jones, a colored convict on the Edgecombe road gang, died Sunday night at the camp, of pneumonia. Jones had been ailing and Superintendent Martin gave him the camp liberties, but he continued to grow worse. He was 60 years old and sent from Bertie county for assault.

Miss Viola Bulluck, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bulluck, was taken to the Wilson sanatorium Thursday night, by Dr. M. R. Braswell. Miss Bulluck is suffering from blood poison of very acute nature. The young lady's friends in this city hope for her speedy recovery.

The Tarboro Southerner says: A trial in which many of the citizens of Edgecombe county are interested, will be held in Kelford this week. The charge is trespassing and the prosecutor is the Roanoke-Tar River Gun Club. There are 12 defendants, who recently took charge of the club house on the game preserve along the Roanoke river, and shot a quantity of game.

The Bright Jewels of the M. E. church will have a valentine party at the home of Mrs. J. D. Odom, corner Church street and Sunset Avenue this (Thursday) evening and all are invited. A charge of 15 cents for each person will be made, proceeds for the Bright Jewel society, and this will entitle one to refreshments which will be served, and enjoying the very interesting program to be rendered.

We have received T. W. Wood & Sons' Seed Catalogue for 1908. It is one of the handsomest and most complete of seed catalogues. This catalogue is particularly valuable in the information that it gives about the southern seed and southern crops, and should be in the hands of all our gardeners and farmers. It will be mailed free, upon request to T. W. Wood & Sons, Richmond, Va.

Spring and summer are coming on apace and with them will come a revival of interest in baseball. Apropos the subject the following from the Kinston Free Press will be of interest to fans: "Mr. W. B. Coleman, president of the Eastern Carolina League, has taken up the matter of reorganization with the several clubs in the league. Suggestions of reorganization have been met with approval by the majority of the clubs and there seems to be no doubt that lovers of the sport will have an opportunity of witnessing some good games this season."

Schubert Symphony Club Tonight.

The Schubert Symphony Club, a musical organization of excellent reputation, will give an entertainment in the opera house tonight under the auspices of the Rocky Mount Baseball Club. Wherever these musicians have appeared they have received good notices and music lovers are assured something out of the ordinary.

Of their entertainment in New Bern Friday night, The Sun says: "The concert by the Schubert Symphony Club and Lady Quartette, at the opera house last night, pleased a cultured audience, it being decidedly the most artistic musical production appearing here this season. There are only five members of the company, the four who compose the lady quartette, and the talented young violinist; but the program possesses variety. Besides the quartette singing, unaccompanied, there were violin and mandolin solos with piano accompaniment, vocal soprano and contralto solos, combination numbers with three mandolins and two guitars, and a grand finale of voices and instruments, including two mandolins, two guitars and piano. There were dramatic recitations and humorous readings, rounding out a bright program of pleasingly rendered selections."

Notice to Confederate Veterans.

The annual meeting of Nash Camp, No. 1412, United Confederate Veterans, will be held in Nashville Monday, March 2, 1908. All veterans please attend.

By order of M. S. Griffin 1st Lieut. Com. R. H. Ricks, Adjutant.

Announcement.

To the people of Nash County I announce my candidacy for the office of Register of Deeds of Nash county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Nicholas B. Jenkins.

The Southern Car Company's plant, at High Point, was destroyed by fire Saturday night. The loss is between \$80,000 and \$100,000, with only one-third of that amount of insurance. The Southern Car Company, which is capitalized at \$250,000, is the only street car manufacturing company south of Wilmington, Del. It will rebuild.

Returning from the hospital at Kinston, where he had been for treatment, Charles Jones, a colored man of Greenville, dropped dead in a store on his way home from the depot.

While under the influence of liquor and walking down the street in Wilmington Monday, a cotton mill operative named Lee shot, without any provocation, and killed a negro youth named Geo. Robinson, who was standing in a doorway. Lee was arrested.

Green Pridden eloped from Wilmington with the wife of W. H. Tood and they were captured by the police at Kinston. Pridden is a Holiness preacher of the "Unknown Tongue" degree and it is through this influence he gained Todd's wife's affections.

Seventy-five families in Rocky Mount are now owning their own homes, who would otherwise be paying rent but for assistance afforded by Rocky Mount Homestead and Loan Association. The 12th series of stock will be due and payable on and after February 1st, 1908. Call on R. L. Huffines, Secretary and Treasurer for full information.

NOTICE!

By virtue, and in pursuance of the power of sale, given to the undersigned, in a deed of mortgage, executed by Offie Sanders and wife to me, on the 14th day of May, 1907, which deed is of Record, in the Registry of Nash county, in Book 143, at page 563, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, from the front of Planters Bank, in Rocky Mount, N. C. on Saturday, March 14th, 1908 at 12 o'clock M. the following described lot or parcel of land, situate in Nash County, near to the corporate limits of the town of Rocky Mount, and described as follows: Bounded on the North by the lands of Elijah Davis, on the East by Davis Street, on the South by Smith Street, and on the West by Britton Jackson, containing about 3600 sq. ft. and being the place at which the said Offie Sanders recently resided. There is a new house upon this lot, and the purchaser can get a bargain.

February 12th, 1908. R. P. Gibson:

Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of James K. Howell, deceased, late of Nash county, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same to me, duly verified on or before the 19 day of December 1908, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment to me.

This December 7th, 1907.

E. V. Howell Executor.

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Strange Stories Are Told of Quiet Stranger Who Distributes Great Quantities of Food and Clothing and Cures Disease Without Pay.

Chicago, Feb. 12 Special. The people of this city are greatly excited over a number of remarkable cures which have been effected by a wealthy philanthropist by the name of Cooper.

His headquarters at The Public Drug Store is besieged with crowds of men and women eager to be cured of their ills.

Cooper is a quiet, gentlemanly person, with the appearance of a student, rather than a business man. He is apparently about thirty-one or two years of age. He first came into public notice by his philanthropic work among the poor. The large fortune he possesses has made it possible for him to distribute many wagon loads of food and clothing among those in indigent circumstances since his arrival in Chicago.

The first that was known of Cooper's power over disease was when Mr. John Stauber, of 1607 Broadway, Cincinnati, Ohio, who was in this city on business, declared that Cooper, the philanthropist, was the same person who saved his life last March, after he had been given up to die by his physicians. Mr. Stauber stated that last March the doctors told him he would not live until May, as he was in a terrible condition; every one said he had consumption; he had a nasty cough, with frequent hemorrhages, dizzy spells, and was so weak that the least exertion or excitement would completely prostrate him; there were severe pains in the stomach and back, and his kidneys were in bad condition.

"After my physicians gave me up," said Mr. Stauber, "Mr. Cooper heard of my case and called to see me. He left a peculiar medicine which I began taking and I immediately began to improve. My cough stopped, my stomach no longer distressed me, and my kidneys no longer were in imperfect condition. I gained seventeen pounds in seven weeks, and today I am as well as I ever was in my life."

A few days after this, Mr. E. L. Sidwell, a justice of the peace living at 3322 Dearborn street, reported that Cooper had cured him of a severe case of stomach trouble with a few doses of his peculiar medicine.

His trouble had been of long standing, and he had tried many different doctors and medicine without relief. From the first dose of Cooper's medicine he began to improve, and is today in apparently perfect health.

This was followed by the still more remarkable cure of Mr. Thomas Webster, employed at the Omaha Packing Company, and living at 5210 South Morgan street. Mr. Webster had suffered for years with pain in his stomach, dizziness, palpitation of heart, backache and all other troubles. He came to Cooper's headquarters, and displayed an enormous tapeworm, which he said had passed from his system after he had taken a few doses of the Cooper medicine. Mr. Webster said all his suffering had left him as if by magic, and he felt like a new being.

The report of these remarkable cures flew like wild fire, and the Public Drug Store, where Cooper is making his headquarters, is besieged by people suffering from all manner of ailments. The physicians of this city are amazed

at the work he is doing, and have tried to shake the wonderful influence he has over the people, even going so far as to threaten prosecution, but as he does not accept any money for his services and does not give any medicine himself, they have been powerless to interfere. Cooper treated considerable amusement at the expense of the doctors by asking them why they did not write their prescription in English so their patients would know what they were taking.

Since the interest has become so wide-spread that Cooper cannot meet the people personally, he is receiving an enormous mail, and keeps a large force of stenographers employed in answering it. In the meantime stories of marvelous cures continue to pour in.

Mr. Vincent Trocilo, living at 4724 Armour avenue, had suffered agony for months from rheumatism. In telling of his case he said:

"Two years ago, while in the best of health, I was stricken down with rheumatism, which affected my arms so that I could not raise them above my head. For this reason I had to give up my profession as a musician and abandon my harp altogether; I could not play it at all. Gradually the rheumatism spread to my limbs, and it was with great difficulty that I could walk; my appetite became very poor, and I began to get discouraged."

"One day I read of Cooper's preparations in the newspapers and what they were doing for Chicago people, and I decided to try them as a last resort, as I had tried every known remedy, but without any result. I purchased a treatment, and soon after commencing same I noticed an improvement in my appetite, which became normal again; also the pains in my arms and limbs decreased, and I was soon able to raise my arms high above my head and could walk without any difficulty. I am feeling fine and expect to go back to my profession again; it will seem good to be able to play on my harp once more, but I should never have been able to do so if I had not used Cooper's preparations. They saved me where all others failed."

"I want to praise these remedies all I can, for they are certainly wonderful." Cooper claims to have received the formulas of the medicines he is using from an aged priest in a sleepy Spanish town in Old Mexico. The Mexicans believed that holy water for some supernatural element entered into their composition.

Cooper receives an enormous daily mail. Letters are coming from every part of the state, asking for advice.

The philanthropist reads every letter carefully, and replies to each one, advising the remedy which is applicable to each individual case.

While his remarkable cures are the chief topic of conversation, many stories are heard on the streets and in business places of his goodness to the poor. His gifts of food, money and clothing have relieved a great amount of distress, and have greatly endeared him to the people.

He is beginning to show the great strain he has been under the past two weeks, and it is understood that he will remain here only one more week.

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