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Methodist—Rev. C. W. Robinson, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7. Sunday school at 9 a. m., J. F. Norman, superintendent. Young Men's Prayer meeting every Monday night at 7. Baptist—Rev. B. B. Collier, pastor. Services every 2nd Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 9 a. m., Capt. Jas. Swift, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Thursday night at 7, and every fourth Sunday at 3 p. m. Episcopal—Rev. Luther Eburne, rector. Services every 2nd Sunday at 7.30 p. m., and every 3rd Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m., L. I. Fagan, superintendent.

CITY MARKET.

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Table with market prices for various goods like Corn, Meal, Bacon, etc.

COURTS.

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

SPRING—Judge Boykin. FALL—Judge Brown. Beaufort—Feb. 18th, May 27th, 25th. Currituck—March 4th, Sept. 23, Camden—March 11th, Sept. 9th. Pasquotank—March 18th, June 18th, Sept. 16th. Perquimans—March 25th, Sept. 23. Chowan—April 1st, Sept. 30th. Gates—April 8th, Oct. 7th. Hertford—April 15th, June 17th, Oct. 14th. Washington—April 22d, Oct. 21st. W. York—April 29th, Oct. 28th. Dare—May 6th, Nov. 4th. Hyde—May 13th, Nov. 11th. Pamlico—May 20th, Nov. 18th.

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PLYMOUTH, N. C.

BEACON FLASHES.

Only one more issue and we will be six months old.

Don't fail to read the newspaper law published in this issue.

A cross (X) mark on your paper means your subscription is due.

Hines & Everett are building a machine shop near the A. & R. depot.

Rev. C. W. Robinson was absent from his church only one Sunday at Conference.

Some much needed repairs have been done to the wharf at the N. S. depot this week.

Mr. W. M. Whaley, of Norfolk, is in the city, the guest of his father, Mr. S. M. Whaley.

Several sportsmen from the North have been making our town headquarters for the past week.

B. J. Skiles is erecting a large two-story building on Water street to be used as a restaurant.

FOR SALE—One set second-hand double Harness, hand-made. Apply to E. F. Duff.

Attention is called to the advertisement of N. Garrett & Sons, proprietors of the Bay Oyster Saloon.

Dr. W. H. Ward who has been attending lectures in Baltimore for the past few weeks returned home yesterday.

The weather during the past week has been more like May than December. What a wonderful climate we have.

There will be two marriages in or near Plymouth next week. Our young people seem to be struck with the fever.

Mrs. Cattie Boney, who has been visiting her brother, Capt. John Boney, has returned to her home at Duplin Roads.

It seems that our people are hard to suit in the way of a town police. They are talking of importing a man to fill the office.

Mrs. A. Barden, who has been on a visit of two weeks to her sister, Mrs. Wilson, at Greenville, returned home on Monday night.

Mr. C. V. W. Ausbon, who has been clerking for R. Schultz & Co., at E. City, returned home Saturday last, owing to ill health.

The Band was out serenading Monday and Wednesday nights. Prof. J. W. Pierce has charge now and the boys are getting better and better all the time.

A fine horse belonging to Mr. B. F. Owens had his leg broken by falling through a trestle on the A. & R. R. on Monday last. Mr. Owens will bring suit against the Road for damages.

Ye editor has been somewhat indisposed during the past week; had one of those pet shills. It was pronounced a congestive shill. We don't know about the congestive but it was coughed hard to shake off.

Mr. B. F. Owens sent a lot of horses and vehicles to Pantego on Wednesday, where he has opened a first-class Livery Stable. The traveling public will note this fact and hire from his stables when in that section.

Clothing! Clothing! For old and young big and small. Men's suits from \$1.00 and up, boys' suits \$1.50 and up, men's overcoats \$2.25 and up, boys' overcoats \$1.00 and up, fine suits a specialty, at R. Schultz & Co's.

Rev. C. W. Robinson will hold services in Hebron church at Roper next Sunday at 11 a. m., therefore there will be no services at the Methodist church here in the morning, but at night services will be held at the regular hour.

Furniture! Furniture! The largest stock ever in town. Bedstead and mattress only \$3.75. 6 nice chairs only \$3.00, rocking chairs 50c and up. Bed room suits and parlor suits in proportion at R. Schultz & Co's.

I wish to inform the public that I have opened a branch Livery Stable at Pantego. All drivers going over the A. & P. Road, which is now completed to that place, can get a team to travel anywhere in that section, at my stables. Good horses and vehicles always on hand. B. F. OWENS.

There was a young lady and her name was Fleet, who had buttons all over her feet; when she heard of the glad news of Schultz's well fitting shoes, she tumbled right off her seat. Shoes for all, cheaper than ever at R. Schultz & Co's.

A horse belonging to Messrs. Davenport & Pierce ran away on Tuesday. It became frightened while standing at the R. N. & B. S. B. Co's wharf and ran up to Water street, taking up that street towards Baynor's livery stables, clearing the street as it went. No serious damage was done other than the total demolishing of the cart to which it was hitched.

Dry Goods! Dry Goods! The largest stock of calicoes, Henrietta cloth, flannels, cashmere of all colors. Calicoes, only 6c per yard, cotton poplin 5c per yard, yard wide cottons 6c per yard, and all other goods in proportion. Don't throw dollars in the street when you can save them by buying your goods from R. Schultz & Co.

Rev. C. W. Robinson has been returned to this charge. Our entire people could not have been better suited. He has done a faithful work during the past year and his efforts will not be less during the coming year. Both as a servant of God and as a man he has won the confidence and love of all who know him, and with one voice they welcome his return.

We understand that some parties in town spend the Sabbath day gambling. Shame upon you, breaking the laws of your country and your God by such deeds. We think if the proper steps were taken by our authorities such things could be put to an end. These gambling halls are a nuisance and the men that visit them should be brought to the bar of justice and made to pay the penalty.

Hats! Hats! In all shapes and styles. Men's hats 25c and up. Come one, come all, and give us a call, before buying else where. Satisfaction guaranteed on every article, or money refunded.

Respectfully Yours, R. SCHULTZ & Co., New Brick Store, opposite side Sam'l. Baynor's Kentucky Livery Stables, Plymouth, N. C.

Hotel Arrivals.

The following named persons were registered at the Latham House during the past week:

R. F. Ward, W. P. Arrington, E. B. Burgess, D. D. Ferber, M. Westmore, J. Sawyer, A. A. Eiliss, C. C. Barham, W. J. Leary, S. B. Ellison, A. M. Wall, Mrs. B. James, C. H. James, T. C. Badham, W. B. Crowlhard, H. T. Duckert, W. E. Cooke, B. M. Cobb, A. J. Welch, L. S. Read, W. W. Homes, F. L. Dortch, J. P. Trillinger.

The Newspaper Law.

Below we give the United States Postal Laws relating to the newspapers and subscribers:

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

2. If the subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals the publisher may continue sending them until all arrearages are paid.

3. If subscribers refuse or neglect to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed, they are held responsible until they have settled their bill and ordered them discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to another place and fail to inform the publisher, and the papers are sent to the former direction, they are held responsible.

5. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber.

6. If subscribers pay in advance they are bound to give notice to the publishers at the end of their time, if they do not wish to continue taking it, otherwise the publisher is authorized to send it on, and the subscriber is responsible until express notice, with payment of all arrears, is sent direct to the publisher.

The new postal amendment has made it a penal offense to refuse to pay for a newspaper and the subscriber may be imprisoned for fraud.

DELINQUENTS TAKE WARNING.

MACKAY'S FERRY LETTER.

MACKAY'S FERRY, N. C., Dec. 9 '89.

MR. EDITOR: It is with pleasure that I give you the news of this section, that your many readers may hear from the general public through the columns of your valuable paper.

Mr. Winfield Spruill's little boy had his thigh bone broken while picking up potatoes under the cart last Saturday morning. The cart dumped on him and caused his misfortune.

The Rev. B. B. Collier was on time to fill his appointment at Frasier's School House yesterday, the second Sunday. He preached, as usual, with great power, to a very respectable congregation. His text was very appropriate: "The barrel of meal wasteth not." He set forth the unquestionable facts that if we would trust God, though there might be even a famine for three years and six months that the children of God would be cared for. He also inferred from the text a lesson of self-denial, showing how the poor widow woman was blessed for her willingness to share the last morsel of meal with the old prophet Elijah.

There was three new comers in the neighborhood recently. W. S. Davenport, J. A. S. Davenport and W. R. Basnight are the lucky men. Children borne in these days will probably be tough.

Mr. Wiggins Clagon is having his nets repaired for fishing.

Mr. L. C. Marriner has run a part of the walling around his acre-lot at the Ferry and will begin to finish his house in a few days. He has built one small tenant house for his watchman and is building a drying house to store his lumber.

Cotton is about all housed, and from general reports it will average five acres for one bale.

No other news of interest so will close, dear reader. 23.12.2.

WHY ARE NOT FARMERS PROSPEROUS?

Argument.

While it is true that the hard times and security of money among the farmers, and consequently among all other classes throughout the country, is largely due to the short crops of the present year, resulting from unfavorable seasons, it is also true that for several years there has been depression, and that our farmers are not and have not been as prosperous as our genial climate and fruitful soil have made it possible for them to be. With our climate, soil and great variety of valuable and profitable crops, our country ought to be one flowing with milk and honey, and our farming population prosperous and happy. This is however very far from being the case. That the natural conditions of success exist no one will deny. Why, then, do we not witness this prosperity? There must be a reason and he who will discover and remove the cause will deserve the gratitude of everybody. Various reasons have been suggested, but in our opinion the true ones have never been made prominent. There are several hindrances to success upon which much stress has been laid, but while they have exerted an influence in this direction, they are very far from constituting the only, or even the most important difficulties. The protective tariff, taxing the consumer for the benefit of the manufacturer, has been a great burden on the farmer in common with all other classes of consumers, but this will not account for the existing state of affairs, and on account of the political status of the Government this evil cannot be removed in several years. The trusts which have been formed to control and enhance prices have something to do with it, but the articles controlled by them are such as may be dispensed with if necessary. We must look somewhere else for the principal cause of agricultural depression, and we believe it can be found upon the farm. Under the old regime the agriculture of the South was very prosperous and the necessity of adjusting ourselves to an entirely new order of things and different system of labor has without doubt greatly impaired our prosperity, but we have had time enough now to adjust ourselves to the new conditions and the evils of them should long since have been eliminated. There is something wrong on the farm and every farmer should stop and try to find out what it is and remove it.

At this time, in laying plans for another year, a careful inquiry should be made as to the cause, or causes of our failure, and it is an inquiry which each farmer should make himself, because the conditions being different on almost every farm, no one else can answer the question. Have we been following a wrong system, planting the wrong crops, neglecting to make our supplies at home, giving too little attention to raising manure, any or all these, or are there other causes? We should thoroughly investigate this matter now and plan for the future accordingly. It is not wise to go ahead blindly, following the same course and pursuing the same methods which have heretofore brought disaster.

We have another piece of advice to give Societies, organizations and such like agencies may be useful. We have nothing to say against them, but the man who trusts in them to remove evils and restore prosperity to the farmer will find he has been leaning upon a broken reed. Get all the good out of them you can, but after all your own right arm, directed by intelligence and thoughtfulness, is what you will have to depend upon. Self-reliance and self-dependence are necessary to prosperity and independence. We are exceedingly anxious to see our farming community enjoying that prosperity which all their natural conditions are calculated to promote and which we believe is attainable, and hence we write.

"FLIPP."

MR. EDITOR: My time at Washington was spent in a most pleasant manner, I met many old friends and would be glad to give you some of the most interesting points but, since some crank has taken it upon himself to reply to my letters through your columns, I will drop the Washington trip and devote my time to a few remarks on his article. I fail to see what he has replied to but, as he calls it a reply I will accept it as such.

He opens his letter by saying he does not know whether I am a gentleman or a grand rascal. I don't suppose his knowing has anything to do with what I am. He says the Bible tells him to judge not, so it does but I wonder if this individual has read that book enough to know that it also speaks against slander, and has he sense enough to know that when he calls a man a rascal he is by law guilty of slander. We think he is either a brave man or a man with but little sense, to attack a man in such a manner, and without a cause. We do not think any gentleman would have opened a public letter by insinuating a man was a rascal.

In his first feeble effort he breaks the laws of his country and his God. He says he thinks I was among the crowd that went to Windsor, that is alright, this is a free country every man has a right to his own thoughts, no matter how unreasonable they may be. He says I was quite poetical to one of the back issues of the BEACON. Will he please inform me what date that issue was, if I ever wrote a line of poetry it is more than I know and doubtless he is the only reader of your paper that has ever seen that issue.

As to the advice he gives the young ladies about looking out for the man dressed in the garb he describes, I would say he must think our girls have but little sense. Does he mean to insult them by giving them such silly advice? In the first place there is no such man in this town, again our girls are too pure and noble and have too many admirers to ever have to pop the question, and even if they were not admired they have too much pride and intelligence to go going around popping the question to every thing that wears pants.

I would like to know what his studying, having a swelled head &c., has got to do with a reply to my letters.

He speaks of my going to Washington and says he don't think I ever saw that town, well, that could have been possible, but I did not say I had been there, I only said I was going. I have been and am at home again, and did not get lost as he expected.

In writing up his trip on the Str. Bertie he gives a grand description of it. He said he was making the trip in company with some lady friends from Bertie but he goes on to say that one of the ladies broke the lamp and as the alarm of fire was given he rushed up stairs and found the room in a blaze, if he had been making the trip in company with the ladies, why was he on the first deck and they in the saloon? The only explanation I can give is this, he was in the same boat at the same time ladies were the ladies took first-class fare and were admitted to the saloon, while he was either betting his passage or had taken a second-class ticket and had to stay on the first deck. He said he got scared and going to the stern of the boat he made a cross on his forehead and knelt down to pray while kneeling there he went to sleep and was awakened by the Capt asking for his fare. That is the way he tells it, but it is told different by an eye witness who saw him make a break for the after stairway, but a post and all unconscious to the deck where he lay until the captain called for his second class fare. He says he got off at the first landing, but first tried to convince the captain that he was a man of learning. Now I know Capt. Pipkin and know it is useless for such a crank as that man is to try to make him think he had any learning and but little common sense.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT.

Rosnoke R. R. & Lumber Co. vs. Ella W. Walter B. William W. Josephus and Willie C. Gurganus.

Mary W. Gurganus for self and as guardian for other defendants and Jno. W. Chambers.

To Jno. W. Chambers. Take Notice. The above entitled action is brought for the purpose of selling the Calvin Chambers land described in the petition for partition, of which you claim one-fourth interest. The cause will be heard on Saturday, January 11 1890, at the Court House before me, when and where you are required to demur or answer to the petition, or the relief demanded will be granted.

C. L. PETTIGREW, T. J. MARBISER, Plff. Atty. Ck's Sup. Court. nov 29-6w

Notice.

Let the creditors of Daniel Swain take notice that a petition has been filed with me by the widow of said Swain to have her homestead allotted from the lands of said Swain in Washington county, adjoining the lands of S. Patrick and others.

J. A. CHASSON, J. P. Nov 28 '89-6 w

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