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BUNCOMBE HALL.

By THOMAS BLOUNT.

This interesting piece of history will be continued through about three issues of this paper. It is very valuable to those living in this section, and we would advise them to take care of it for future reference. Paste it in your scrap-book, or on the fly-leaves of your history:

Amid the fens and breaks and forests of juniper, covering the crest of the low divide running up from the sea, between Albemarle and Pamlico sounds, Kendrick's creek takes its rise. Slipping thence northwardly, into the open country, it winds between fertile hills dotted over with well tilled farms, and rushing through roaring gates, or whirring wheels, gliding past busy villages and sleepy woodlands, its amber tide pours into Albemarle sound, south of Edenton. Narrow of mouth, and no more than fifteen miles in length, this modest stream does not attract the attention of the passing navigator of the Albemarle, nor does it make any great figure in the topography of the country. Yet every foot of its shore line is pregnant with facts in the primal history of North Carolina.

During the Culpepper rebellion, and the unhappy administration of Seth Sothel, many hardy spirits slipped away from the North Albemarle colony, and settled along the banks of Kendrick's creek, preferring the solitude of the wilderness, and the society of the simple savage, to the doubtful protection of an unstable government administered by avaricious tyrants. In vain the authorities "commanded them back." They blazed a rugged trail from the mouth of the creek along its western shore, and on through the forest, to the Pamlico where Bath Town was later located, and planted a thin line of humble homes by its side; the seed-bud of that wondrous growth which has since expanded into a mighty state. Along this route flowed for half a century the ceaseless tide of immigration coming up from the Virginia coast, and peopling the wilderness to the south and west. It was a part of the first mail route in the province, and was the course taken by the impatient Governor Dobbs when hastening from Virginia to Newbern to take the oath of office after being detained at Edenton "above a whole day by contrary winds so fresh he could not cross the ferry some eight miles." On the south side of this road, about three-quarters of a mile from the Tyrrell court house at Lee's Mills, was the entrance to the Buncombe Hall grounds, over which was suspended the famous distich:

"Welcome all,
To Buncombe Hall."

This was no empty invitation posted to make the vulgar stare. It meant rest and good cheer for any travel-stained pilgrim who would

avail himself of it, dispensed with a lavish hand by the princely owner himself, to rich and poor alike. For no matter how humble the traveler, while he was within the gates of Buncombe Hall he was its master's guest, and as such was treated with the most courtly consideration. If a boon companion showed a premature disposition to depart, trusty slaves knew how to remove certain bridges on either side of the estate and the wooing of that guest's fair charmer was deferred to another day.

Near this same road, but a little higher up stream than the Buncombe plantation, Captain Thomas Blount of the first Chowan gentry, erected a mill in 1702. This man was a blacksmith and ship carpenter by trade. He came from Virginia to Perquimans where he married Mary, the widow of Joseph Scott. During the winter of 1698-'99 he removed with his family to the "east side of the mouth of Kendrick's creek." Later he purchased "Cabin Ridge plantation" where the town of Koper now stands and immediately began the erection of a mill on the creek hard by. This was for a while the "one mill in the whole province" and in time came to be the industrial centre of the "South Shore" settlement. At it, was manufactured the lumber for many of the earlier buildings at Edenton, such as flooring for the first church (never used), material for the first court house, and much more. With a continuous service of two centuries rounded out to its credit, this mill is now the oldest developed water-power in North Carolina.

Captain Blount died in 1706 and Thos. Lee, marrying his widow, subsequently got possession of his mill and most of his other property.

To this circumstance is due the scattering of his immediate descendants to the four winds and the opportunities of advancement which they thus found. Verily—

"There is some sort of goodness in things evil,
Would men observingly distil it out."

With one brief exception the mill remained the property of the Lee family until 1814, hence the place came to be called "Lee's Mills." The assembly which Gov. Gabriel Johnston called to meet him in Edenton in the winter of 1735-'6, was the first to which Tyrrell had sent delegates. Prominent among her representatives that year was Capt. William Downing of Lee's Mills, who was unanimously elected speaker of the house.

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SEVERE ATTACK OF GRIP Cured by One Bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"When I had an attack of the grip last winter (the second one) I actually cured myself with one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says Frank W. Perry, Editor of the Enterprise, Shortsville, N. Y. "This is the honest truth. I at times kept from coughing myself to pieces by taking a teaspoonful of this remedy, and when the coughing spell would come on at night I would take a dose and it seemed that in the briefest interval the cough would pass off and I would go to sleep perfectly free from cough and its accompanying pains. To say that the remedy acted as a most agreeable surprise is putting it very mildly. I had no idea that it would or could knock out the grip, simply because I had never tried it for such a purpose, but it did, and it seemed with the second attack of coughing the remedy caused it to not only be of less duration, but the pains were far less severe, and I had not used the contents of one bottle before Mr. Grip had bid me adieu." For sale by all druggists.

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JURY LIST.

The following named persons were drawn to serve as jurors for Spring Term of the Superior Court of Washington county, commencing April 20, 1903:

Plymouth Township.
Jno. A. Bratten, H. W. Neal,
W. H. Harrison, W. C. Harrison,
Wm B. Waters, E. B. Gurganus,
Louis F. Allen, H. H. Bateman,
J. N. Padgett, J. A. Jpruid.

Lee's Mills Township.
W. J. Chesson, A. W. Oliver,
G. H. Swain, Romulus Poocock,
W. H. Chesson, W. E. Hodges,
W. H. Davenport, Joe Sitterson,
W. H. Cherry, Geo W. Ayers.

Stainersville Township.
W. H. Dillon.

Scuppernon Township.
S. L. Sexton, David Furlough,
E. L. Russell, Joseph Furlough,
L. H. Lucas, W. P. Comstock,
E. F. Swain, Astron L. Davenport,
J. J. Woodley, W. C. Burgess,
W. C. Chaplin, D. Burgess,
Jno Terry, H. W. Phelps,
Woody N. Phelps.

Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed at Spruill & Bro's store.

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A Great Sensation.

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CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

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The first train to Washington will leave Plymouth at 9:30 A. M., and reach Washington at 11:30 A. M., and will leave Washington 12:30 noon, arriving Plymouth about 2:30.

The regular passenger train will lay over at night at Washington, leaving there at 7:30 A. M.

Superior Court, Washington County, Spring Term, 1903.

Emma Lamb, plaintiff, against Anna M. Gray and others, defendants.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court by affidavit filed that Anna M. Gray, Dill W. Gray, Helen Gray, P. W. Gray, James M. Gray, Malcolm Gray, Frank Gray, Dixon F. Gray, J. A. Gray, and P. J. Dill and A. H. Johnson, executors of P. N. Gray, deceased, are non-residents of this state and cannot after due diligence be found within this state, that a cause of action exists in favor of plaintiff and against them, that they are all proper parties to this action relating to real property in this state; that this court has jurisdiction of the subject of this action, that said non-residents claim an interest in said real estate, that the purpose of this action is to exclude them from any interest in said real estate and to compel said defendants to comply with an agreement made by P. N. Gray, deceased, with plaintiff, dated Sept. 13, 1902, and to convey to plaintiff all the land described in said agreement, registered in Washington county, North Carolina, and land being known as the "Promerest Place." It is therefore ordered that notice be published for six successive weeks in THE ROANOKE BEACON, a newspaper published at Plymouth, N. C., notifying each and all of said non-resident defendants above named to appear before the Judge of the Superior Court at Court House in Plymouth, N. C., on the 7th Monday after 1st Monday in March 1903, to answer or demur to complaint in this case and let said defendants take notice that if they fail so to do judgment will be demanded against them for the relief asked in said complaint. This March 2, 1903.

W. M. BATEMAN, Clerk Sup. Court, Washington Co., N. C. W. M. BOND, Atty. for plaintiff.

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Faint and Languid.

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