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A WEEK IN TRENTON.

People Coming and Going, and What They are Doing.

NEWS ABOUT THE TOWN IN GENERAL, ETC.

Tuesday was warm and rainy.

J. J. Simmons, of Oliver, was in Trenton Monday on business.

The recent heavy rains will enable the logmen to move a lot of timber.

The board of county commissioners held a short session last Saturday.

Supervisor W. H. Hammond held an examination for teachers last Saturday in Trenton.

P. M. Pearsall, Esq., of New Bern, was in Trenton Monday and Tuesday on business.

Messrs Chris. and Emmet Wooten, of Kinston were in Trenton Monday on legal business.

Sheriff Harrison was in Trenton last Friday and Saturday, looking after the office of sheriff.

Heber Brock, of near Richlands, was in Trenton last Saturday. He has many friends here who were glad to see him.

Mrs. Dr. R. A. Whitaker continues quite sick we regret to know. Though her condition is more favorable than last week.

An interesting prayer meeting was held in the Methodist church in Trenton last Thursday night, conducted by Rev. J. M. Benson.

Teets circus was in town last Friday and we learn quite a crowd attended. What excuse will christian people have for attending as there were no animals?

W. W. Pollock, of near Oliver, was in Trenton Tuesday and called on the NEWS. He made the editor's heart glad by paying a year's subscription. Thank you.

Prof. John B. Koonce, of Richlands High School, spent Saturday night and Sunday in Trenton visiting his parents and returned Sunday afternoon.

We return thanks to U. E. Eubanks for the largest white radish we remember to have ever seen. Mr. Eubanks is one of our most reliable fish men, and always brings the best.

Last Friday was the biggest cotton day of the season in Trenton. 237 bales were sold at prices ranging from 4.75 to 5.40. Quite a lot of cotton come from near Kinston, and Onslow county. Messrs., Ball, of Kinston, and Mears, Huggins and Harriett, of Pollocksville, were on the market.

Married this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of the bride's father, Sheriff D. H. Harrison, Lon Taylor, one of Trenton's most worthy citizens, to Miss Nannie Harrison. R. B. Dunn, Esq., officiated. The happy couple left at once for their home in Trenton. We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

We again ask those in arrears for subscription to the NEWS to settle at once. We need the money you owe us, and we must have it. The NEWS will soon have been published one year, only seven more weeks, and we have determined, after that date, to mail the paper to those only who pay in advance. This is better for all concerned.

The gin house, gin, and three bales of cotton belonging to W. J. Perry in Chinquepin township, was destroyed by fire last week, we regret to learn. The gin was running at the time fire was discovered in the lint room, and before anything could be saved the house was enveloped in flames. Mr. Perry informed us that he did not know the cause of the fire, it might have been a match or hot box. His loss was about \$700 with no insurance.

We again call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Oettinger Bros., Kinston N. C. Half dollar saved is fifty cents made. Take the NEWS with you when you go to Kinston.

On Dec. 21st, Oak Ridge institute will close the most successful term ever seen at that well known institution. The spring term will open Jan. 5th. The principals are expecting a largely increased patronage. There are 35 members in the graduating class in the Literary Department, and some sixty or more in the Commercial Department.

We have in our midst two men who claim to be Mormon preachers. We are in no wise disposed to hinder any good that may be done by people who are endeavoring to save the lost, but we do object to men tramping through the country trying to sow seeds of discord in the various churches and proselyting their members. We warn the people against these men and their doctrine.

Do you Want A Farm.

Many farmers in the western states are making inquiries about lands in the South, and especially in North Carolina, for they all know that crop failures in the South are almost unknown. No destructive cyclones or extreme droughts rarely ever visit the South, and especially in Eastern North Carolina. Cotton is a sure crop, and tobacco and rice can be raised in great abundance and no limit to early trucking. While cotton has been the principal crop in Jones county for all time past, the farmers are beginning to realize the importance of a diversity in crops, and will next year plant more extensively tobacco, rice and other crops, for they find that cotton at the present prices does not pay. To the farmer who is looking for land we invite to Jones county, where farms can be bought cheap, and are as productive as can be found in North Carolina.

We hope the farmers of Jones county will diversify their crops next year, by planting either tobacco, rice, or something in addition to cotton as a money crop. The present price of cotton ought to be a sufficient dose to satisfy them, of the necessity of a change.

Here our society is the very best, and church and school facilities convenient to all. We have several tracts of valuable farming land to sell at low figures, and now is the time to buy. Will give full information to applicants.

Pollocksville Items.

Local cotton market opened Monday at 4:50 to 5. Receipts for the week light.

Northern sportsmen are coming every week to Catfish Lake.

A. S. Lec was the happiest looking man we saw last Friday evening at the festival. Think his best girl must have been there.

We have heard that the festival given last Friday evening by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church netted them \$25. This is very good.

Miss Louis Lane, of New Bern, is visiting Miss Lillie Bell of this place.

J. H. Bell arrived here last Thursday with 25 fine horses and mules, and is rapidly disposing of them.

Bender Bros. are prepared to give the best bargains to cash customers since they have been in Pollocksville. They are constantly looking up bargains for their customers. Go and be convinced. Remember we are selling heavy yard wide white homespun for 5 cts, 7/8 for 4 cts, good bed tick, 10 cts, shoes .65 to \$2, all leather high cut men shoes, 90 cts, a first class Dongola button shoe, \$1 to \$2.75, baby shoes, 22 cts, child's pants fine diagonal, all wool, 50 to 75 cts.

For the News.
MR. EDITOR: I see in the NEWS of last week a statement showing the disbursements of the county funds for the past year. This is all right as far as it goes, but it does not comply with the Code, sec. 475 which says:

"The Board shall cause to be posted at the court house within five days after each regular December meeting, and for at least four successive weeks, the name of every individual whose account has been audited, the amount claimed and the amount allowed, and also at the same time a full statement of county revenue and charges, showing by items the income from every source, and the disbursements on every account for the past year, together with the permanent debt of the county, if any, when contracted, and the interest paid or remaining unpaid thereon. The board shall also publish the said statements in some newspaper in the county; provided, the cost of such publication shall not exceed one-half a cent a word."—Code 1st vol., sec. 752.

It will be seen that not only should the report show the amounts claimed and allowed, but also a "statement of county revenue and charges, showing by items the income from every source and the disbursements on every account, together with the permanent debt of the county, if any, when contracted, and the interest paid or remaining unpaid thereon." Now, as we understand it the Code contemplates a full statement or balance sheet be given to the people that they may readily know the financial condition of the county,—how much money was on hand when the new board of commissioners assumed control of the county, what amount has been raised from taxes, the amount borrowed, if any, what and how much has been paid to the school fund, for working the road, and the amount remaining in the hands of the Treasury on the 1st of December. Let the people know the condition of the county's finances Tax Payer.

Dover Items.

Dec. 13, 1897.

Misses Lillie Sutton and Estelle Wooten, of Coahoma, came Friday to visit Mrs. J. A. Street, and returned yesterday.

J. J. Street spent yesterday in Dover.

H. T. Richardson a well known gentleman of near here died last Friday night and was buried in the old family burying ground yesterday. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss. The bereaved family have the sympathy of this community.

Master Harvey Hines, of Kinston, is spending a few days in Dover.

Is it not time for the christians of Trenton and the people who love sobriety and morality, to go to work to get from our midst the evil that is debauching society, destroying the happiness of families, and breaking the hearts of mothers and fathers and making drunkards of young men and boys. The scenes frequently exhibited on our streets are enough to arouse the people against this evil. How many wives, whose husbands visit Trenton dread their return? and could we but draw the curtain aside, oftentimes you would hear the curses and abuse given that devoted woman who toils day and night for the happiness of the man she loves.

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A few other goods that are going low, Starch, 5c lb. Black Pepper, 10c. Shot, 7c lb. Coffee, 10c lb. Good Molasses, 20c gallon. Chairs, 40c to 50c.

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At our store you can find checked Homespun at 4c up, good quality not shoddy. Pant goods, 8c yard. Boys Hats 15c and upward. Shoes 25c and upward. Calico 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, yard etc. Our 10c coffee is yet in the lead, Meat 5c. Cheese 12c and so on down the line, We won't mention further as our prices talk.

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Exclusive right to handle Hamilton Brown's Fine Footwear for Ladies. Special—Ladies Kid Button, extended sole, plain, coin or opera toe at \$2.50 the pair.

MILLINERY AND RIBBONS.

Owing to the great rush in this department for the past week we were unable to fill orders as promptly as we would have liked, but here after we hope to be more prompt than heretofore.

SPECIAL SALE.

Five (5) cases French felt hats, regular prices, \$1.25, this week at the special price, each 69c.

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