

WALTER LETTER.

The Doings and Sayings of a Week In and Around Our Thriving Neighbourhood.

ARGUS BUREAU. WALTER, N. C. Dec. 13, 1904.

Miss Lizzie Beeton is on a visit to her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Yelverton, near Stantonburg.

Mr. Alden Yelverton, of Fremont, spent last Sunday with his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. George Yelverton.

Our schools in the community will celebrate Carolina Day, Friday before Christmas, with appropriate exercises.

The entire community deeply sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Brown, in the loss of their infant baby boy last Saturday night, which occurred at their home near here.

There is a dearth of news around here and we therefore append a few lines on "The Old School House," which suggested themselves while turning the tablet of memory and dwelling among the scenes and incidents of the long ago.

THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE.

In memory's eye, that dear old house Will stand for many years.

And when we think of its happy days, Our eyes are dim with tears.

Beneath its roof, our youthful mind Gained much of precious lore While round its yard our boyish heart Made many a happy score.

Its large blackboard, its hardened seats Each numbered and marked with chalk;

Its rules, and motto, "Hew to the line" Which each of us had to walk.

Its big spelling class at close of day Which filed around the room. And oftentimes, for half hour or more, Would make old Webster hum.

And then the play ground, with its trees, Where the boys played "knucks" and "cat,"

And "Bull pen"; while 'neath the shade The girls would have a social chat.

Ah! Well do I remember the day, It seems but a few years ago, We were all getting ready for the final big day

And our young hearts were all aglow.

Some were raking, some were sweeping, And others were clearing the ground;

The teacher was busy overseeing the job, While a few were loitering around.

But it fell to our lot to lend a hand In moving the stump of a small tree—

A little black jack, and when we got hold

We pulled, when we counted three.

We pulled! and my! Caesar's ghost!! When that black jack gave way,

A stream of yellow jackets, big as your waist

Came out to see what was to pay. They came, they saw, they conquered.

They covered us, head and ears. We kicked and fought, and rolled in the leaves

Blinded by fast flowing tears. The teacher came, with his chewing tobacco

And applied it to each contusion, And said, that for the life of him

He could not understand the confusion.

But we understood, and don't you forget,

For the yellow fellows punctured our pneumatics

And made us feel and look as though We had a corner on acute pneumatics.

But those sunny days are far in the past,

But memory oft causes us to renew

And gladdens our heart with the thought of old fields

That have long since passed from view.

And though the old school house is no more

Its memory a pleasure will be Till we, too, shall leave our earthly abode

To join classmates in eternity.

PIKEVILLE LETTER.

Mr. J. B. Smith made a business trip to Lureka, Saturday.

Mr. J. F. Hosea and son, of your city, came up Sunday, returning Monday.

Mr. J. A. Hosea, the bustling representative of Hosea Bros. went to Wilson, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Garris, of Parkton, N. C., are in town visiting relatives and friends.

There will be some material changes among our business men by the first of the year.

Messrs. G. D. Barnes and A. Blow had special appointments in the Walter section, Sunday.

Mr. L. B. Smith is on a "quiet hunting trip" to Raoulston this week. (Dear) dear is not plentiful here.

Section Master Frank Parks and his crew were called out Sunday to replace a broken rail near Fremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edmondson and children, of Eureka, visited the family of Mr. A. S. Smith, last Sunday.

Mr. David Crawford, after a few days visit to his home near here, returned to Weldon, Monday morning.

Messrs. Middleton and Featherstone, representatives of a Lynchburg Shoe Company, were here Sunday.

Mr. Frank Hooks, of Fremont, was in town Sunday afternoon, calling upon his grandmother, Mrs. Johnathan Garris.

Roll of Honor: Misses Prudie Bryant, Eva Pate, Mammie Jackson, Margaret Scott, Carrie Parks and Mr. E. D. Smith.

Mr. Jesse Hales, route agent between Burgaw and Rocky Mount, came Sunday for a few days vacation to his father, Mr. W. T. Hales, near here.

The first real winter weather was felt Saturday night and Sunday. We pity those who were expecting it and had not replenished their wood piles for some time.

Miss Pearl Fort is at home now, who recently returned from Richmond and other Northern points, entertaining a party of young friends who are visiting her.

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\$500 REWARD FOR WOMEN WHO CANNOT BE CURED.

So uniformly successful has Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription been in all forms of Female Weakness, Prolapsus, or falling of the womb, and Leucorrhoea, that after over a third of a century's experience in curing and debilitating ailments, Dr. Pierce now for a fully warranted in offering to pay \$500 in cash for any case of these diseases which he cannot cure.

It stands alone as the "Favorite Prescription" for these distressingly common forms of weakness, possessed of such positively specific curative properties as to warrant its makers in proposing, and binding themselves to forfeit, as we, the undersigned proprietors of that wonderful remedy hereby do, to pay the sum of \$500 in legal money of the United States in any case of the above diseases in which after a fair and reasonable trial of our treatment, we fail to cure.

No other medicine for a record of woman's peculiar ailments is backed by such a remarkable guarantee; no other medicine for such ailments is possessed of the unparalleled curative properties that would warrant its manufacturers in making such an offer; no other remedy has such a record of cures, on which to base such a remarkable offer.

Therefore, insist on having Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and turn your back on any unscrupulous dealer who would insult your intelligence by attempting to foist upon you some inferior preparation under the plea that "it is just as good." Insist on having the article which has a record of a third of a century of cures and which is backed by those willing to forfeit \$500 if they cannot cure you.

In cases attended by a leucorrhoeal drain a solution of Dr. Pierce's Lotion Tablets should be used conjointly with the use of the "Favorite Prescription." They are sold by all druggists, or sent post-paid to any address, on receipt of 25 cents in stamps. Send 30 cents in stamps for Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. Address: WORLD'S DISPENSARY, Buffalo, N. Y.

Weak and sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free. All correspondence is held as strictly private. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure biliousness.

STATE HOSPITAL.

Synopsis of Bi-Annual Report of State Hospital at Goldsboro, From December 1, 1902-1904. Officers Re-elected.

The Board of Directors of the State Hospital near this city, for the care of the colored insane, met in regular session at that institution Thursday, and it was the pleasure of the ARGUS man to be present.

The biennial report of the excellent and unapproachable superintendent, Dr. Jno. F. Miller, was read before the Board, and received, as it deserved, their hearty approval.

We give a brief synopsis as follows:

Number of patients on hand at last biennial period, 481; males 195, females 283.

Number received the past two years, 273; males 113, females 160.

Number discharged as improved and cured and by death, 225; males 91, females, 134.

Remaining on the rolls of Hospital December 1, 1904, males, 220, females, 309. Total, 529.

The per capita cost per annum for this period was \$111.18.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE TWO YEARS.

Reconstruction and widening of front steps and walk to the Hospital Building; construction and equipment of three closets on the female wards; the fitting up of a tuberculous ward and connecting it with iron and wire bridge to Fance Hall; the reconstruction and enlargement of the kitchen and refurnishing it, including bakery; the erection of a brick smoke stack 105 feet high, and the installing of a cold-storage plant and ice factory.

In addition to these large improvements there have been a number of small ones, and the usual repairs necessary to a large property of this kind.

It is as gratifying, we are sure, to the management, as it is to the ARGUS, to be able to state that all of these improvements have been made without a dollar of special appropriation by the State; and the cold storage and ice factory, involving an expenditure of \$3,500, has been installed from net proceeds from the manufacture of brick and the trucking enterprise of the institution. This economic management should be—and we are sure it is—gratifying to the tax-payers of the State.

Mrs. Faison and Clara E. Jones were re-elected 1st and 2nd Assistant Physicians.

In consequence of the infirmities of age, Capt. Reid declined re-election to the Stewardship of the Hospital and Mr. J. W. Bryan was elected Steward and Farmer jointly.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of Susie Farmer, deceased, late of Wayne County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of October 1905, or his notice will be pleaded in bar of its recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment. WILLIAM FARMER, Administrator. This 22nd day of Oct. 1904.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Joel Rhodes, deceased, all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present said claims if a payment on or before the 31st day of November 1904, of this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment. This the 1st day of Nov. 1904. ANNIE V. RHODES, Administratrix of Joel Rhodes, deceased.

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A STately Notice.

A Lasting Monument to the Congregation of St. Paul Church.

One of the handsomest buildings in Goldsboro—a structure of which we are all justly proud—is St. Paul Methodist Church, one of the most beautiful edifices, both inside and out, to be found in the whole State.

A new annex has recently been built to this church, it has been thoroughly overhauled throughout, beautifully and artistically finished on the inside, and presents an imposing appearance and is a credit and an ornament to the Best Town in the State and a lasting monument to the good people of that congregation who have spared neither money nor pains in making this earthly tabernacle of God an inviting place of worship.

Messrs. Royall & Borden, the up-to-date furniture dealers, have just completed the work of placing one of the finest Brussels carpets on the floor of this church we have seen in some time, which adds much to the already beautiful appearance of the inside of the church.

Rev. Mike Bradshaw, the universally esteemed and everywhere popular pastor, who has served this charge for the past four years, is soon to leave us and enter a new field of usefulness, much to the regret of every citizen in Goldsboro. Our people all love Mike Bradshaw, and it is with much reluctance that we part with him, but our loss is Wilmington's gain. His genial countenance, gentle manner, Godly ministrations and hearty handshake with the religion of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ always beaming in his eyes, will be sadly missed by our people in general, and he takes with him to his new home, the abiding good wishes of the people of Goldsboro regardless of denomination.

NOVEL HILL ITEMS.

We are having another cold wave. We are glad to know the sick in our community are improving.

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Ayer's Pills

They cure constipation, biliousness, sick headache. Sold for 30 years.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use BUCKINGHAM'S EYE



Take-Down Repeating Shotguns

The notion that one must pay from fifty dollars upwards in order to get a good shotgun has been pretty effectively dispelled since the advent of the Winchester Repeating Shotgun. These guns are sold within reach of almost everybody's purse. They are safe, strong, reliable and handy. When it comes to shooting qualities no gun made beats them. They are made in 12 and 16 gauge. Step into a gun store and examine one. FREE: Send name and address on a postal card for our large illustrated catalogue. WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS CO., NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Do you Want a Prize

WEIL'S \$50. SHOE CONTEST?

This contest is one of the special features offered during our "Low Scale of Prices" on reliable shoes Sept. 12th to December 24th 1904. At this sale \$1.25 Oak Kip Brogans are sold for 98c. Every shoe offered will be in keeping with the above great reduction. This \$50 Shoe Contest, its ticket entitling the holder to one count in same and the way to secure one ticket FREE is fully explained below.

WEIL'S \$50 SHOE CONTEST

One Ticket Will Be Given With Each 50c. Shoe Purchase. The Following Eight Prizes Will Be Awarded Dec. 24, 1904.

1st Prize—\$10 worth fine Footwear will be awarded 1st largest holder of tickets.

2d Prize—\$7.50 worth fine Footwear will be awarded 2d largest holder of tickets.

3d Prize—\$5 worth fine Footwear will be awarded 3rd largest holder of tickets.

4th Prize—\$4 worth fine Footwear will be awarded 4th largest holder of tickets.

5th Prize—\$3.50 worth fine Footwear will be awarded 5th largest holder of tickets.

The remaining \$20 will be awarded to those three purchasers holding the three lucky numbers. These numbers are to be drawn from the returned tickets.

First number drawn will be entitled to \$10 worth fine Footwear. Second number drawn will be entitled to \$6 worth fine Footwear. Third number drawn will be entitled to \$4 worth fine Footwear.

Every ticket bears a different number. ... is the number of this ticket.

All tickets must be returned to us by December 24th with signature of purchaser and P. O. Address.

Name of Purchaser..... P. O. Address.....

FREE

We will mail you, or if you will call at our Shoe Store with a copy of this advertisement, we will give you one ticket, with your number, provided you are not already on our mailing list. This ticket will entitle you to a chance at one of the prizes in the \$50 Contest. Send us your name and address on Postal Card, writing "Weil's Shoe Contest" GOLDSBORO WEEKLY ARGUS, and ticket will be sent to you by next mail. Faithfully yours,

H. WEIL & BROS.

Surveying of Land, Mapping of Farms, Writing Deeds, Mortgages, Notes, etc

Abbott L. Swinson, SURVEYOR.

GOLDSBORO, N. C. Terms: \$4.00 per day—strictly cash.

On or about November 1st, 1904, I will return to Goldsboro and open an office, and offer my services to the public as a practical surveyor of 25 years experience and guarantee entire satisfaction to all my patrons—future as in the past.

Areas calculated by latitude and departures where desired.

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