

THROUGHOUT THE STATE

THE WEEK'S EVENTS CAREFULLY
.....CHRONICLED.....

EXTRAORDINARY COMPLIMENT.

Greensboro Telegram: Miss Haly Burton, who at one time was a teacher in one of the Greensboro schools, has prepared a set of readers to which the extraordinary compliment has been paid of being adopted for use in all the public schools of Texas.

KILLED THE FIRST YANKEE.

Windsor Ledger: We heard a confederate veteran point out a soldier from Herford county here last Thursday, and says he killed the first yankee killed in North Carolina during the war. It was at Roanoke Island. We believe he referred to a Mr. Vaughn, of Union, if we are not mistaken.

IGNITED FROM LIGHTNING.

The Kinston Free Press says: The dairy belonging to Mr. J. T. Middleton situated just beyond the southern corporate limits of the town, was burned last night between 8 and 9 o'clock, and 23 head of cattle and 1 horse was burned with it. It was said that the fire was due to a lightning stroke as people living near the building saw the top enveloped in the flames immediately following a blinding flash of lightning, which also shocked them. The amount of the loss will exceed \$2,000, with \$1,300 in insurance.

NO SMALL POX AT DUNN.

Dunn Banner: Last week many wild rumors went out over the country in regard to small pox at Dunn. Like the old story of the three black crows, the story grew as it went from mouth to mouth, until it reached gigantic proportions. Our neighbors in town, Benson, was so alarmed that it established quarantine against us, and still keeps it up. The true situation in the main is this: On Monday of last week, a young man by the name of Jernigan, was discovered at Lee Hotel sick with what looked like small pox. The hotel was at once quarantined and all inmates are kept in the house.

A TOUGH FISH.

Newton Enterprise: Aleck Yount has a fish pond with one fish in it. It is a huge carp 17 years old. A pair of carp was put in the pond 17 years ago. They ate up all the other fish but the carp tribe has not increased. One of the original pair had a piece of flesh picked out of his back by a hawk a few years ago, and died. The carcass was thrown to the hogs, but was so tough that they could not tear it, even in a tug of war match. The lone occupant of the pond was caught about three years ago. It measured 23 inches in length. As it was not very tempting to the appetite, it was put back into the water.

AHORRIBLE ACCIDENT.

The New Berne Journal says: Hunter Williams, the 13-year-old son of Mr. B. Williams, a prominent farmer of Croatan, was the victim of a terrible accident Tuesday noon which resulted fatally. The boy had been sent to carry a dinner basket to his brother Bryan, who is a fireman on the logging train. The train was on an inclined switch on which the cars were loaded with logs. The boy was standing between the engine and tender when the sudden start of the cars jolted him off, and as he fell between the cars he lay across the track in such a way that the wheels of the tender and two cars passed over both of his legs and one arm. The legs were almost completely severed and the arm was fearfully mangled. The head was also terribly bruised and lacerated.

FINED VIRGINIA OFFICERS.

Portsmouth Star: A negro excursion was run from Portsmouth to Littleton, N. C., yesterday. The manager secured the services of substitute police officers Rudd and Markham, of this city, and Police Officer Goodson of Berkeley, to go along with the excursionists to maintain order. The officers met with severe treatment at the hands of the constabulary of Littleton, however. Upon the arrival of the train the authorities of that place ascertained that the three men in question had concealed pistols on their persons. Notwithstanding that they were police officers hereabouts, the North Carolina authorities claimed they had no authority to carry pistols in that state, and consequently their arrest followed. The officers were arranged before a justice of the peace and a fine of \$4.08 was imposed on each.

FIFTEEN PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Two Alleged Murderers and Thirteen Other Negroes Get out of The Beaufort Jail.

Washington, N. C., Aug. 15.—Fifteen prisoners in the Beaufort county jail escaped before daybreak this morning. Two of the men are alleged murderers and one is a Federal prisoner, all the others being charged with minor offenses. The sheriff immediately offered rewards for them. The escape was made through a hole in the back of the building, where five brick had been removed. The jail was virtually in charge of a negro attendant who waits on the prisoners and he failed to lock up the men. There is evidence of culpable negligence and an investigation will probably be made. One of the prisoners came and gave himself up today. All are negroes.

WASHINGTON MAN CAUGHT IN A STREET CAVE-IN.

Washington, N. C., Aug. 15.—Superintendent Bland, of the Light and Water company, was nearly entombed in an excavation today. He was down in a nine foot trench inspecting it when it caved in, filling in up to his neck. The laborers dug him out with shovels. He was badly bruised.

MAD RUSH TO WRECK.

An Engineer and Fireman Are Buried in the Debris.

Asheville, N. C., Through freight No. 62, third section from Asheville, to Spartanburg, ran away on Saluda Mountain at 2:15 p. m., Thursday. The engine and thirteen coal cars were wrecked near Melrose.

The engine and eleven of the cars are a total wreck, piled up and demolished in the cut. Engineer J. H. Averill, Jr., of Asheville and Fireman Hair, of Asheville, were killed and are under the wreckage and cannot be found until the wreck is cleared. Brakeman W. B. Sherrill, of Swannanoa, N. C., had both legs cut off.

Engineer Averill was a bright young man, twenty-three years of age and a son of Col. J. H. Averill, of Charleston. His father, mother and wife and two little children are spending the summer at Saluda, within three miles of where he met his untimely death. He stayed on his engine with his fireman doing all he could to check the train until the engine buried him in its ruins.

As the runaway engine passed Melrose the operator, J. H. Heatherly, ran out and Fireman Hair threw up his hands, and smiled. The operator fainted. Conductor Howie and his flagman Bishop Howie, and Dard were unhurt.

GREENVILLE TO HAVE A TOBACCO FACTORY.

Local Capitalists Will Subscribe the Necessary Money.

Greenville, N. C., Aug. 15.—A mass meeting was held in the court house this afternoon to take steps to organize an independent company, to establish a cigarette and smoking tobacco factory in Greenville and to put buyers on the market to purchase tobacco.

The attendance upon the meeting was large and composed of men of all professions and trades. Speeches were made by Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes, J. J. Laughinghouse, O. L. Joyner, G. T. Tyson, L. I. Moore, J. L. Fleming and others.

Books were opened and several thousand dollars subscribed to start the company. Committees were appointed to canvass each township in the county for subscriptions and to report at another meeting to be held next Saturday when the formal organization of the company will take place.

There is much enthusiasm in the movement for the factory.

TURNED STATE'S EVIDENCE.

They Killed Two Men And Money Was the Object.

Sheriff James S. Elkins, of Columbus county, yesterday morning brought a white man named Cross Edmundson, to the penitentiary to serve a six years' term.

Edmundson was convicted for complicity in a murder in his county, and turned state's evidence. It seems that Edmundson and two other men, one named Register and his son, heard of a negro who had \$1,000 in his possession and was sleeping in a still house. They determined to get the money and went out to the still house and killed the negro and also a white man named Sole. They burned the still and went to a negro house and slept. Edmundson and his son got up and fled, leaving Register and his son.

When the negro came out in the morning his suspicions were aroused by seeing two men and three guns. The old gun was found to belong to the murdered white man named Sole.

The two Registers declared the two Registers had killed him, but Edmundson had killed him, but Edmundson came to trial, turned State's evidence and told the whole story of the crime. The older Register was sentenced to prison for life, the younger Register was sentenced to hang and Edmundson was given six years. The two Registers have appealed from the judgment.

The elder Register ran against Senator Joe Brown for a seat in the general assembly at the last election—News and Observer.

ROSEBORO TO HANG.

With Quaking Knees The Negro hears Words of Doom.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 13.—At Statesville today Judge Allen sentenced Will Roseboro to be hanged September 10th, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

While the sentence was being pronounced Roseboro showed the first signs of right. He was exceedingly nervous and could hardly stand during the trying ordeal.

The jury took the case yesterday afternoon at 6:40, and in twenty-three minutes after a verdict of murder in the first degree was rendered.

The crime for which Roseboro will pay the death penalty is one of the most heinous in the criminal annals of the State. He assaulted Mrs. Dolph Beaver, and to hide his crime murdered her and threw her body into a well near the Beaver home.

MOTHER DESERTS CHILDREN.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 15.—J. C. Workman, a carpenter, reported to the police this morning that his wife had run away with a printer, Fred Barnes. The truant wife left four children, the eldest of whom is only nine years old. The police are after the couple.

CONFESSION BY ROSEBORO

Tells of Murder of Mrs. Beavers, Says Nothing of Darker Crime Charged.

Charlotte, N. C., August 15.—At Statesville to-day Will Roseboro, the negro was convicted of the murder of Mrs. Dolph Beaver Wednesday, and who has been sentenced to hang Thursday, September 10th, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, confessed the crime. Yesterday afternoon Rev. A. J. Arthur, a well-known negro minister, visited the jail and had a long talk with Roseboro. He insisted that Roseboro must confess to the crime charged.

The negro stated that on the afternoon of the murder he was passing by the Beaver home, and seeing some fruit on the trees in the orchard he climbed the fence and was in the act of pulling some apples when Mrs. Beaver called to him to get out of her orchard.

He says that he replied to her in coarse words and refused to go until he was 1000. He continued to pull the apples, and Mrs. Beaver came to the orchard after him. He made some threats, whereupon she left, returning toward the house. He thinking that she was going after a gun, followed her, and just as Mrs. Beaver was in the act of going up the steps, he caught her by the throat and choked her to death.

"GATHER UP THE FRAGMENTS."

So many of our great men started from the hoe, the plow and the farm, that it has grown to be a public sentiment that greatness among men has its gem, in the country, and the comparison between city and country bred men favors the conclusion that there is something in farm life that is favorable to the production of great deeds and great men. There seems to be an instinct often in all men for forests and trees, and green fields and clover, and new cut hay and rippling brooks, and the "Old Oaken Buckets." The earth is known as our mother earth, and there is perhaps no man who does not love nature's lessons of grandeur and greatness. Why, then, are farm boys constantly drifting into the towns cities to encounter its dangerous temptations?

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