

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Cotton to-day, 8 1/2 cents  
Eggs 20 cents

—License has been issued for marriage of Leola Britt and E. F. Britt.

—The Lumberton Steam Laundry, after a season of inactivity, has been overhauled and is again in full operation.

—Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson have moved from the Waverly Hotel to Mrs. Sue McLeod's, corner of Walnut and Second streets.

—Mr. W. H. Humphrey was elected vice president of the Laymen's Movement at the Methodist Conference at Durham last week.

—Mr. A. Nash, former register of deeds, has opened an office over Boylin's Jewelry Store. He will write insurance and carry on other lines of work.

—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blue moved last week to St. Paul's. Mr. Blue is engineer on the V. & C. S. Ry. and his run makes it necessary for him to stay at St. Paul's at night.

—Misses Ida Galloway and Alma Pate, teachers in the public schools at Fairmont and Ten Mile, respectively, were in Lumberton Saturday taking special examinations before Superintendent J. R. Poole.

—The concert given in the auditorium of the graded school building Thursday evening by Mr. James Wesley White, of Wilmington, was very poorly attended. Mr. White has a good voice and those who were present enjoyed his singing very much.

—Mr. J. A. Bethea, postal clerk between Lumberton and Marion, S. C., has bought from Mr. W. J. Britt the residence on the corner of Cedar and Fourth streets now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. M. Beverly and will move into his new residence about the first of the year.

—During the month of November Jailer J. H. Floyd had an unusually large number of boarders. The bill of \$210.85 presented to the commissioners last week for keeping the jail for that month is said to be the largest bill ever presented for one month.

—Prof. W. T. Jenrette and his assistants—Misses Vera Blue, of Abneren, music teacher, and Sibley Oliver, of Marietta, primary teacher—will give an entertainment at Baltimore Friday evening, beginning at 7.30 o'clock. The school is large, there being 99 enrolled, and the occasion doubtless will be a memorable one. Everybody is invited and a large crowd is expected.

—"Was She to Blame?", presented at the Opera House last Tuesday evening, was one of the best performances that has ever been given in the local play house. An attempt was made in comment of a column in length to tell something of how good it was, but this account, which was set up for Thursday's paper, was crowded out of that paper and is again crowded out today.

—County Superintendent J. R. Poole visited the public schools at Red Springs, Philadelphia, Red Springs and Antioch last week, besides a number of Croatan and colored schools. Photographer Blackburn accompanied him and photographs were taken of all the schools visited. The attendance at all the schools is good. Prof. Poole is getting a collection in his office of all the schools in the county.

—Mr. E. McQ. Williams, who lives on rural route No. 1 from Lumberton, near Ten Mile church, was among the visitors in town Friday. Mr. Williams and his father, Mr. G. L. Williams, both served in the civil war, 40th N. C. Regiment, Company E. Mr. Williams senior, who has been living near Lexington, Texas, for the past four years, is a native of Robeson and is now 86 years old. Mr. E. McQ. Williams was captured at Fort Fisher, near Wilmington, on January 15, 1865, and was a prisoner at Point Lookout, Md., until June 4th, nearly two months after the surrender at Appomattox.

**Among the Sick.**  
The condition of Master Knox Proctor, who has had a long severe case of typhoid fever, is improving. Master Knox is the hustling boy who numbers selling The Saturday Evening Post among his activities, and his weekly visits have been missed very much. Here's hoping that he will soon be able to be out again.

It is a great pleasure to be able to announce that Mayor John A. Rowland, who has been sick for quite a long time, is steadily improving. He is now able to sit up and get about the house, and he was able to ride down town Friday.

Miss Lillian Mearns, who was recovering from an attack of typhoid fever, suffered a relapse a few days ago and is still very sick.

Mr. Archie Barnes, who was injured at the court house last Wednesday, is getting along as well as could be expected.

Ex-Sheriff Geo. B. McLeod was confined at home a few days last week but is able to be up again.

A pill in time that will save nine 1, Rings Little Liver Pill. For biliousness, sick headache, constipation. They do not gripe. Price 25c. Sold by J. D. McMillan & Son.

THE SEMINOLE MUDDLE.

**Much Stock of the Seminole Securities Company Placed in Robeson—Deal With Southern Life Denounced as a Fraud.**

Much interest is felt here and throughout the county concerning the revelations made during the last few days about the Seminole Securities Co. Many people throughout the county purchased stock from the smothered agents that visited this section last spring, and now they are wondering where they are "at." Additional interest is felt on account of the connection of the Southern Life Ins. Co., of Fayetteville, with the revelations.

The Seminole Securities Co., organized at Columbia, S. C., last spring, was formed to finance the Sterling Casualty Co., and for this purpose the stock of the securities company was sold at \$150 a share, par value \$100, the casualty company to be started with a surplus equal to half the capital stock. Recently, however, the securities company advertised a change in its plans and announced that it had purchased an interest in the Southern Life Insurance Company, of Fayetteville and that this company would open headquarters in Columbia and do a life and accident business. Shortly after this announcement the life insurance company did open offices in Columbia and the headquarters of the Seminole Securities Company was moved to Chattanooga, Tenn.

Three trustees and distinguished men of South Carolina—W. A. Clark, president of the Carolina National Bank; Gen. Willie Jones, president of the Palmetto National Bank; and T. S. Bryan, president of the R. T. Bryan Co.—were named as trustees of the company.

The Seminole Securities Co. purchased \$150,000 of the stock of the Southern Life Insurance Co. and it is charged that J. Y. Garlington, the president of the securities company, and those associated with him, received from the Southern Life Ins. Co. a very large commission, reported to be about \$70,000, for carrying through the deal. This deal has been characterized as an outrageous fraud on both companies and the stockholders of the Seminole have been advised to get together and protect their interests. In a communication of the 5th to President Garlington the trustees named above state that they regard the deal as a fraud upon the stockholders of both companies and a flagrant breach of trust on the part of the officers of each company connected with the transaction. They state further that they are unwilling longer to be affiliated in any way with the affairs of the Seminole Securities Co. and that they withdraw from any further participation in its affairs.

President Garlington says there is nothing the matter with the company; that it has already earned large profits and if let alone would pay a handsome dividend next spring.

The Columbia correspondent of The Charlotte Observer states that it is regarded as practically certain that the Legislature will appoint a commission to thoroughly sift the whole transaction. Large quantities of stock were sold in several States, and in numbers of cases investment in this stock represented the hard savings of many years of people of limited means. It is said that some men and women invested their all in the stock on the promise of 20 and 40 per cent. dividends. It is also stated that the people of Columbia generally had no faith in the proposition from the beginning and have been poking fun at the gaily dressed agents all along.

Not a great deal of stock was placed in Lumberton, but it is understood that in other parts of the county a great deal of stock was sold.

Mr. C. J. Cooper, of the Southern Life, has announced that a full statement of his company's part in the transaction is being prepared which will be a reputation of the charges.

Since the above was put in type it has been learned that the trustees have withdrawn their resignation.

Another Thief Comes to Grief at White & Gough's Store.

Another person, a negro this time, tried to get away with something at White & Gough's store the other day and came to grief. Woody Page is his name, somewhere near Page's Mills, S. C., is the place of his local habitation and an aggressive black is color. He loafed into White & Gough's store Thursday and decided that he must have a sweater without money and without price. He hung around in the morning without seeing his chance, for Mr. N. P. Andrews was watching, and Mr. Andrews was watching in the afternoon, too, but Woody slipped a sweater under his coat. Then Mr. Andrews got busy and grabbed Woody, and it was a busy time for several people for a few minutes. Mr. Andrews and Mr. Jno. French both nabbed Woody and attempted to hold him, but Woody is a powerful negro, and in his efforts to get away he dragged Messrs. Andrews and French over several counters and piles of goods, knocking down shoes and other things that required several men several hours to rearrange. Calvin Lowrey, a Croatan, who is also very much of a man, came to the rescue finally and succeeded in holding Woody, who was tried a little later before Justice Woodberry Lennon and committed to jail to await trial, since he could not give the bond in the sum of \$100 required.

A negro woman who was caught hiding things under her baby's clothes the other day in the same store was allowed to go on account of the baby, but Messrs. White & Gough have determined to prosecute every one caught stealing in their store hereafter.

PERSONAL.

Misses Pearl Floyd and Dora Smith spent yesterday in Clarkton.

Solicitor N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, spent yesterday in town.

Col. E. F. McRae, of Maxton, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Miss Mamie Kyle, of Fairmont, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Mr. Z. T. McMillan, of rural route No. 1 from Parkton, was in Lumberton Saturday.

Mr. Rudolph Carlyle came home Thursday night from Wake Forest College for the holidays.

Mr. J. E. Phillips, of rural route No. 2 from Rowland, is among the visitors in town today.

Mr. Troy M. Davis, of rural route No. 2 from Lumberton, was a caller at this office Saturday.

Miss Anna McLeod, who teaches a school at Pembroke, spent Saturday and yesterday here with home folks.

Mr. Jerome Chambers, who is engaged in the tobacco business at Fairmont, spent Saturday in Lumberton.

Dr. and Mrs. Thos. C. Johnson, W. B. Webb and H. M. McAllister spent yesterday in Red Springs.

Mr. J. P. Wiggins, of Rowland, attorney and editor of The Rowland Sun, was among the visitors in town Friday.

Mrs. W. A. McPhaul and infant son spent Friday and Saturday in Fairmont with Mrs. McPhaul's sister, Mrs. Clayton Brice.

Miss Sallie Overton, who has been with Miss Josephine Breece during the past season, will leave tomorrow for her home at Elizabeth City.

Miss Laurette Trout, who has been in the millinery department at Caldwell & Carlyle's during the past season, left Saturday night for her home at Forest City.

Mrs. A. H. Ward, of Norfolk, who had been spending a few days here visiting Miss Pearl Floyd, left yesterday for Wilmington, where she will visit friends.

Dr. T. C. Johnson returned Saturday from a business trip to Whiteville and Wilmington and he and Mrs. Johnson went to Red Springs yesterday to visit relatives. They will return tonight.

# Grand Auction Sale OF CITY LOTS AT FAIRMONT, N. C.

## Thursday, December 17, at 10:30 a. m.

### 50 RESIDENCE LOTS 50

Will be sold at auction to the highest bidder without reserve. This property has been consigned to us to be sold absolutely regardless of price, and we are going to do it, let the owner make or lose. They are going to change hands, some one is going to get better off by it; why not you? This is a golden opportunity, a chance of a lifetime, to own a home or to make an investment that will double in 5 years. Music will be furnished by an excellent band and lots sold at the rate of one a minute. Penny and Thomas Brothers, the four twins who manage our Auctioneering Department, will conduct the sale in a rapid and business like manner. Penny Brothers, the world famous Twin Auctioneers will cry the sale, each speaking at the same time in the same tone of voice. These lots will be sold on very easy terms and you cannot afford to miss an opportunity like this to make an investment.

Don't forget the Day--Thursday; the Date--Dec. 17th; the Hour--10:30 a. m., and don't fail to be on hand, Rain or Shine We Sell Lots.

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L. E. MILLER, Manager.

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### Chas. M. Prevatt

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Lumberton, N. C., Nov. 26th, 1908.  
11-26-8m

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Prepared only by Foleys & Company, Chicago.

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Lumberton, N. C.

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Prices and Terms Right.

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LUMBERTON, N. C.  
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WOMAN'S RELIEF

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### Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of authority vested in me under a decree of the Superior Court of Robeson county, entered before the Clerk in a Special Proceeding therein pending, entitled Laura Gonyer, general guardian of William Bartow Jolly, ex parte, same being Special Proceeding No. 2868, I will on Monday, January 4th, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon, at the court house door in Lumberton, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, the following lot or parcel of land, situated and being in Lumber Bridge township, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

In Lumber Bridge township, on the west side of the Big Marsh, and north-west of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, in said County and State, beginning at a stake and pine pointers in an old field in McGougan's line, the corner of Paul Wellington's survey, and runs as McGougan's line north 4 east, 4 and 25-100 chains to a stake by a pine, McGougan's corner; thence 25 east, 12 chains to a stake; thence south 86 east, 24 chains to a stake by a pine, Ausley's corner; thence his line north 23 east, 10 chains to a stake by a hickory; thence as Graham's line south 54 east, 24 chains and 50 links to a stake by a pine, Graham's corner; thence as Graham's other line north 84 east, 12 chains to a dead pine in the edge of Big Marsh; thence down the western edge of the said marsh to said railroad; thence south-westerly as said railroad until a line running north 88 west, 29 chains, to direct to the beginning, containing sixty-two and one-half acres.

This sale is made for a re-investment of the funds.

The successful bidder at said sale will be required to deposit with the commissioner the sum of \$200.00 as a guarantee of good faith and compliance with the terms of his bid.

Place of Sale: Court house door, Lumberton, N. C.

Time of Sale: Monday, January 4th, 1909.

Terms of Sale: Cash.

Dated this 3d day of December, 1908.

A. P. McLELLAN, Commissioner.

McLain & McLean, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
12-7-4mon.

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