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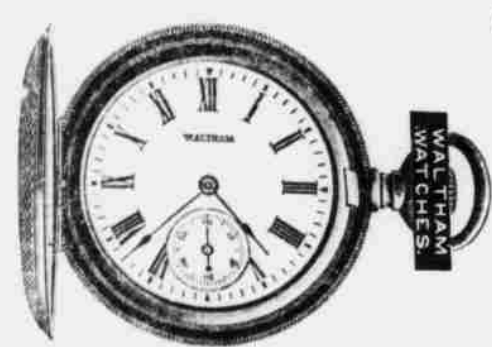
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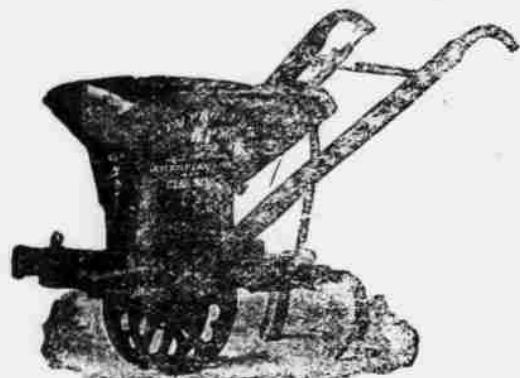
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The Largest Stock in the
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Complete Stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes and
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Are fast Returning and All Business Should now Begin
to Expand. To Meet These Conditions we are Taking
Care of the Demands of our Present Customers and we
Are Ready to Supply our New Customers with Funds
in Amounts Limited only by the Business they will
give us in Return for these Accommodations. IF YOU
NEED MONEY CALL ON US for Particulars as to our
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The Bank of Lumberton, LUMBERTON, N. C.

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C. H. MORROW, Cashier.

THE GREAT CLEARANCE SALE IS NOW ON

And will Continue throughout January. REMEMBER,
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ARE GOING AT 45 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

The Chance of your life to get Winter Clothes Below
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Yours for More Business.

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A Safe Institution For Thrifty People!

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Robeson County Loan and Trust Company,

Will Pay You Four Per Cent. Interest on Your Deposits.

All Interest Compounded Every Three Months. IF YOU
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an Account WITH US AT ONCE.
We Especially Call the Attention of the YOUNG MAN to our
Facilities for Taking Care of his Earnings.

Lay Something By For A Rainy Day! Absolute Safety
OUR MOTTO.

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THE ROBESONIAN.

LETTER FROM ALABAMA.

The Rozier Reunion—The Grand
Old County of Robeson and
the Great Improvements Made
in Her Towns—Touching the
Proposed Division.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

It is a source of great pleasure
to me to read the news through
your excellent paper from every
section of dear old Robeson.
Your issue of February first con-
tained many items of interest,
conspicuous among which was
the family reunion at the home
of Reuben Rozier, aged 88 years.
I remember well Stephen Rozier,
of the last generation, and, if I
mistake not, he had a brother
named Reuben. He is twelve
years my senior, but I am pretty
sure that he will remember my
father, if not his sons. May his
last days be serene and full of
hope of a grand reunion at the
other end of the tunnel-way.

Old Robeson is a grand county
and very dear to me, because it
was in that beautiful land of the
cypress and pine that my infant
eyes first beheld the glory of the
sun. It was in St. Pauls town-
ship that I spent my school days,
until I left home for college.
Many precious memories cluster
around sacred spots in my own,
my native land. When I attended
the Red Springs reunion, I was
amazed and delighted at the
great improvements seen on every
hand. When I had visited that
now famous place fifty years
before, I found nothing but the
home of Rev. Hector McNeill and
Red Springs, save that there was
a frame school house in which
Alexander, and later, Neill Arch-
bald McLean, both excellent teach-
ers, planted seeds which are bear-
ing, and shall continue to bear,
wonderful fruitage. Red Springs
has unsurpassed environments,
her splendid schools alone, to say
nothing of the fine water, gener-
ally equipped, and splendid citi-
zenship, ought to, and does, at-
tract lovers of health and culture
from all sections of the county,
besides many from remote
points. When I left North Caro-
lina for Alabama, in 1855, there
was no railroad except the Will-
ington and Manchester, which
touched a corner of the county
at Fair Bluff. Now the county
is not only cordoned but plaided
with trunk lines and their tribu-
taries. Maxton I did not visit;
but reports of fine churches and
educational facilities come from
that point also.

I imagine that these neighbor-
ing towns owe much to the live
editors who advertise with such
wisdom and skill. I had the honor
of meeting an editor of The
Citizen, but he who wields the
stylus of The Robesonian, I
had not the pleasure of meeting,
but I have known Brother Har-
ker, through The Robesonian,
for some years. And, by the
way, I am indebted to him for a
splendid special, sent me last
Christmas a year.

Lumberton has grown to large
proportions. I saw much to make
my heart glad—yep, proud. And
the towns and villages are
springing up in every township.
There is wonderful life in the
dear old country.

Parkton has sold her lots, laid
off her town, and the sound of
the hammer and the tick of the
telegraph tell of progress at home
and abroad. Even "St. Paul"—
name right—has her railroad, her
new school building and church,
and the sound of the bells and
the shrill screech of the whistle
tell of the grand forward
movements of that place.

When in Carolina, Rev. Jos.
Evans did me the honor to have
me occupy his pulpit at Saint
Paul's. It was a never-to-be-
forgotten privilege. Were I
there now I might worship with
my old friends in their new tem-
ple. The dear children of my
cousin, Mrs. Marcus Smith, did
me the honor to send me a post-
card picturing this building. God
bless the children and their dear
parents, who remember an old
man who loves his native
hearth.

But the prosperity and growth
of old Robeson has developed
such proportions that some of
her sons are anxious to set up
business for themselves, want a
new county. The name of Robe-
son is dear to many hearts, but
the sentiment would not be de-
stroyed if the distinguishing fea-
ture, North, should precede the
old name. What would the Pa-
triarh Abraham say? What did
he say to Lot? "Let there be no
strife between me and thee." At
the risk of displeasing some of
my dear friends, I am inclined to
say that there would be much
greater convenience to the people
of North Robeson, and harmony
and peace, promoters of prosper-
ity and piety, would abide in both
counties; and if the megaphone
should be heard again, saying,
"Hold Robeson and save the
State," the stalwart sons of the
sister counties would obey the
command promptly and perfect-
ly.

Should the bill pass and the

Washington Once Gave Up
To three doctors, was kept in bed for
five weeks. Blood poison from a spi-
der's bite caused large, deepsores to
cover his leg. The doctors failed, then
"Bucklen's Arnica Salve" completely
cured me," writes John Washington,
Bouquerville, Tex. For eczema, boils,
burns and piles it's supreme. 25c at all
drug stores.

DRAINAGE PROJECTS.

Congressman Godwin Working
Zealously For Swamp Drain-
age—An Appropriation for
an Object Lesson Project.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Congressman Godwin is de-
lighted at the success he has
achieved with the drainage pro-
jects for his district. The drain-
age of swamp land is a question
in which many of his con-
stituents are vitally interested,
and it will be remembered on
entering Congress two years ago
he commenced to work zealously
for swamp drainage. He intro-
duced a bill last year in the
House of Representatives pro-
viding for examinations and sur-
veys of the swamp lands of his
district and the report of the
effect of swamp drainage on
agriculture and health. He also
made a speech in Congress on
the reclamation of swamp lands,
which was considered strong and
convincing, and was heartily en-
dorsed by all who are interested
in this subject. He secured an
appropriation for \$800 for an
object lesson project in his dis-
trict and the drainage office of
the Agricultural Department
here has started the work at
Chadbourne, Columbus county,
North Carolina. The report of
C. G. Elliott, chief of Drainage
Investigations, upon this sub-
ject is as follows:

Mr. S. H. McCrory, drainage
engineer, assisted by Mr. J. V.
Phillips, level man, is assigned
to the project. It is estimated
that the field work will require
three weeks time under favorable
weather conditions. The pro-
ject will be known as the Chad-
bourne project, Columbus county,
and will be entered upon the list
as No. 73. A sum of \$600 is ap-
propriated for the survey and
completed report.

During the year 1908 letters
were received from numerous
constituents of Congressman
Godwin's, of the sixth district,
asking that this office give at-
tention to needed drainage in-
vestigations at the several points
named by the correspondents.
After considering the conditions
described in the several letters,
it was decided that the first ex-
amination should be made at
Chadbourne, Columbus county.
It was reported by Congressman
Godwin and particularly by J. A.
Brown, of Chadbourne, that the
land at this point was mainly oc-
cupied by people from the West
and Northwest who had been at-
tracted by the representations of
the Sunny South Colony, which
purchased a track of land and
in 1897 surveyed, plotted, and
placed it upon the market. This
land proved to be excellent
for the production of straw-
berries, and Chadbourne has since
that time become one of the
largest strawberry shipping
points in the State.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

An examination of this tract
shows that such portions of the
land as are sufficiently drain-
ed are fertile and productive,
that the people occupying these
lands are principally from North-
ern States and have introduced
various innovations in the cul-
tivation of the land, but that some
part of almost every farm is
subject to injury from lack of
drainage, and that though they
have constructed ditches and, in
a measure, greatly improved
portions of the land, they are
not able to perfect this work
until a general system of im-
proved outlets has been con-
structed. The town is located
upon a table land at the head of
small streams, a part of which
flow easterly into the Wacamac
river, and a part westerly into
the Lumber river. The branches
as they are locally called are
quite thickly covered with
timber and apparently have fair-
ly good fall, but owing to lack
of channel and obstructions
in the natural depressions which
should carry the water they are
inadequate drainage channels.

Strawberry growing has been

new county be formed, it would
be very gratifying to this writer
to learn that his old friend,
the veteran scholar and patriot,
Hon. Hamilton McMillan, had
been honored with some place
suited to himself and the dear people.

Allow me, Mr. Editor, to ex-
press my high appreciation of
your excellent paper, and to
thank "Vide" and "Aunt Becky"
for kind words. Their writings
are highly appreciated.
Within eighteen miles of where
I sit, there has been another
mine disaster. Full details have
not been received, but it is said
that sixteen men are known to
have been killed by the explo-
sion.

Cordially,
A. L. Davis.

Pratt City, Ala., Feb. 3, 1909.

The Secret of Long Life.

A French scientist has discovered
secret of long life. His method
deals with the blood. But long ago
millions of Americans had proved
Electric Bitters prolongs life and
makes it worth living. It purifies,
enriches and vitalizes the blood,
rebuilds wasted nerve cells,
imparts life and tone to the en-
tire system. It's a godsend to weak,
sick and debilitated people. "Kidney
trouble had blighted my life for
months," writes W. M. Sherman,
Cushing, Me., "but Electric Bitters
cured me entirely." Only 50c at all
drug stores.

quite profitable from the first,
though during the last three
years the crops of many of the
farmers have been curtailed by
reason of the wet seasons, which
caused the crop from a portion
of their lands to be small or en-
tirely destroyed. Under ordinary
conditions of season and market
the lands net their owners about
\$200 an acre. Large quantities
of fertilizer are used and the
lands are cultivated carefully.
Owing to the water tables of the
soil being so near the surface
they are not, in many instances,
able to grow deep rooting crops
like cotton, corn or forage plants.
The strawberry having shallow
roots produces a crop with great
certainty than those before
named. The rotation of crops
in this section is regarded as
necessary in keeping up the fer-
tility of the land, and for the
convenience which attends the
production of a variety of crops.
It is believed that the area of
cultivated land can not be ex-
tended farther until the main
drainage streams are opened so
as to permit the construction of
deep farm drains upon the level
table lands. Many of the lead-
ing citizens represent that as
soon as a plan of drainage has
been made they will organize
themselves under the provisions
of the State drainage law, which
it is expected will pass during
the present session and proceed
at once to construct the drains
required.

THE SOIL.

The top soil is black sandy
loam from six to ten inches
deep, lying upon a yellow clay
which contains but little sand.
The clay appears to be quite
permeable to water and also suf-
ficiently firm to maintain a per-
pendicular position where ditches
have been dug. It is what might
be termed a soil which drains
easily and furthermore retains
moisture to such an extent that
the farmers have but little fear
of drought. In practice they find
drains three or four feet deep
more serviceable than shallow
ones. The drains have been used
successfully but the larger part
of drainage by open trenches
which, when placed in the low-
er parts of the land, seem to
give fairly good drainage.

Having taken into considera-
tion the general situation it is
recommended that a survey
and plan of drainage should be
made of the lands which are
under cultivation and a report
and estimate of the cost of con-
structing outlet drains sufficient
to serve these lands be made to
the proper authorities at Chad-
bourne.

Washington, D. C. Feb. 3, '09.

STATE NEWS.

Will Ward, the negro who was
taken to Raleigh to the peniten-
tiary from Clinton to avoid
lynching on account of a criminal
assault upon Mrs. Mollie Mc-
Leod, of Sampson county, was
tried at Clinton Tuesday, con-
victed and sentenced to be hanged
on March 3d. Ward claims to
be the son of an Indian wom-
an and to have come from Okla-
homa.

Mr. Chas F. Wadsworth, 38
years old, president and treasur-
er of the J. W. Wadsworth Sons
Co. of Charlotte, and prominent
in the social and business life
of the city, committed suicide at
the Clegg Hotel in Greensboro
last Monday night by shooting
himself through the head. Mel-
ancholy on account of protracted
ill health is thought to have been
the cause.

Fayetteville Observer, 2d:
The residence of Judge C. C. Lyon
at Elizabethtown was destroyed
Sunday afternoon by fire which
originated in the kitchen, adjoin-
ing the house. Most of the
furniture was saved, but badly
damaged. The loss is only par-
tially covered by insurance. The
judge's family were at home,
but he was away, holding Har-
nett court this week.

Edward N. Wright, son of
Mr. M. F. Wright, of Wilming-
ton, was found Tuesday morn-
ing in his gas boat on Pamlico river
with his head crushed in and his
body frozen. It is thought that
his injuries were received by be-
coming entangled in the machin-
ery of the boat in some way, and
death resulted from the injuries
and exposure to the cold.

The firm of Nimocks & Co.,
Fayetteville, filed an assignment
for the benefit of creditors Tues-
day. The business was owned
by State Senator Q. K. Nimocks,
but he has devoted his time to
the practice of law exclusively
for the past 8 years. Mr. Nim-
ocks does not reserve a home-
stead or personal exemption, but
surrenders everything to
creditors.

Many Sleepless Nights Owing to
a Persistent Cough. Relief
Found at Last.

"For several winters past my wife
has been troubled with a most persistent
and disagreeable cough, which invari-
ably extended over a period of several
weeks and caused her many sleepless
nights," writes Will J. Hayner, editor
of the Burley, Colo., Bulletin. "Var-
ious remedies were tried each year,
with no beneficial results. In Novem-
ber last the cough again put in an ap-
pearance and my wife, acting on the
suggestion of a friend, purchased a bot-
tle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
The result was, indeed, marvelous. Af-
ter three doses the cough entirely dis-
appeared and has not manifested itself
since." This remedy is for sale by all
druggists.

WITH AUNT BECKY.

Serious Fire Losses—Col. Mc-
Lean's Lee Birthday Speech—
Change of Teachers at Oak
Grove.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

On yesterday afternoon, the 1st
of February, we noticed in the
South-West a dense smoke aris-
ing, and by night it had gathered
in our yard and around the
house in such volumes as to al-
most stifle us when we unclosed
a door. We thought at the time
that the fire was in a new-ground
which was being cleared upon a
neighboring farm, but this morn-
ing Mr. Pinkney Dorsey came in
and informed us that his son-
in-law, Mr. Walter Covington,
who recently moved to this vicin-
ity from Marlboro county,
had his barn and its contents,
consisting of corn, forage and
guano, destroyed by fire—a se-
rious loss to a farmer. On Sat-
urday night last, near the little
town of Hasty, the dwelling
house and smoke house of Mr.
Dan Hasty were burned down,
with almost a complete loss of
his household goods, though he
was fortunate enough to save the
contents of his smoke-house.

The high winds prevailing
these latter days are a menace,
and to me almost a terror, as we
have on three occasions narrow-
ly escaped losing our home from
the pitiless flames. Mr. Covington's
misfortune had its origin in a
new-ground a considerable dis-
tance from his barn, whence a
gust of wind lifted a bunch of
burning straw or leaves, and
dropped them on top of a hog
pen roofed with pine straw, and
situated so near the barn that
the fire was rapidly communicated
thither. Mr. Covington was
absent at the time and before
help arrived the flames had be-
come uncontrollable. Mr. Hasty's
house caught from a spark on the
roof.

Burnings are much more com-
mon than they used to be. I
suppose imperfect stove-flues
are partly responsible and again
carelessness often has "a finger
in the pie"; and too much pro-
vidence and care from now to the
1st of April cannot be practised
along these lines.

I enjoyed intensely the late
speech of Col. N. A. McLean,
delivered on Lee's birthday in
your town. In the opinion of an
"Old Southern" lady, it was
grand and in perfect accord with
my sentiments. It is a production
that is calculated to do great
good, and I wish that every boy
and girl throughout the South
could read and ponder well its
truths. I have thought there has
been a great remissness among
our Southern orators and literary
men in the lack of just such
speeches as this, and the possi-
ble danger of our Southern youth
imbibing erroneous and garbled
ideas from outside sources. The
traditions and ideals of the "Old
South" should be perpetuated in
their native purity and sweet-
ness, as also the true facts re-
garding the causes which led up
to the civil war. This portion
of the colonel's speech was es-
pecially praiseworthy and pro-
found, and should be preserved
for historical reference. I was
fortunate in receiving an extra
copy of The Robesonian contain-
ing the splendid oration.

One I sent to my South Carolina
grandchildren, who have often
asked me to explain the very
thing which Col. McLean made
so plain and easily to comprehend,
and the other copy I intend to
preserve, both as a future refer-
ence and as a matter of family
pride.

Miss Grace Mitchell, the ac-
complished music teacher at Oak
Grove, has resigned her position,
owing to her mother's health
and need of her at home. She
was a prime favorite both in and
out of the school room and her
departure is regretted universally.
She succeeded in her school
duties by Miss Lula Easterling,
another of Marlboro's charming
daughters.

Prof. Poole visited the Oak
Grove school last Tuesday, and
as usual made a very friendly
impression upon all whom he
met; but I was disappointed be-
cause he promised the next time
he came into the Fork he would
call on the "Squire and Becky".

Old Fork, N. C., Feb. 2, '09.

Mr. R. L. McLeod's saw-mill,
about three miles south of Max-
ton, was burned last week, the
loss being about \$2,500, with no
insurance. It will be rebuilt at
an early date.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-
ward for any case of Catarrh that can-
not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and be-
lieve him perfectly honorable in all busi-
ness transactions and financially able
to carry out any obligations made by
him.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN,
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter-
nally, acting directly upon the blood and
mucous surfaces of the system. Testi-
monials sent free. Price 75c. per bot-
tle. Sold by all Druggists and
Take Hall's Family Pills for consti-
pation.

The merchant who doesn't ad-
vertise stands in his own light.

The Selection

Of a Piano is very much like
the choice of friends.

The more care exercised in
the selection, the more certain
we are of lasting friendship;
and the greater one's refine-
ment and education, the more
judgment is displayed in the
choice of friends.

The selection and exclusive
use of Stieff Pianos in many of
the greatest educational institu-
tions in the United States is a
source of gratification to us,
and we feel justly proud of the
fact that in about two hundred
colleges we have more than
one thousand Stieff Pianos.
There must be a reason.

INVESTIGATE!

CHAS. M. STIEFF,

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The Artistic Stieff, Shaw and
Stieff Self-Player Piano.

Southern Warerooms,

5 W. Trade Street,
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

C. H. WILMOTH, Mgr.



"BLUR"

This word is used by people coming
to us perhaps more than under any
other conditions. The meaning of this
word is plain to us all, and when you
hear it you know what it means.
Something is not clear, a mist, cloudy,
smoky, shady, and as some say inky,
a little obscured. All these words are
familiar to us, they come to us in com-
plaints or expressions of trouble.
Brought about by poor eyesight, or as
it is usually expressed, everything has
become "BLUR'D." We often make
things clear to our patrons and that we
understand this difficulty. Come and
see us.

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Natural Violet.

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air, and so delicately perfumed with
the odor of fresh flowers, that we
know you will like it. It does not
have that Talcum Powder odor, just

Yours to Please,

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