

# Correspondence.

## PARK ACADEMY.

Rockwell, No. 2, Sept.—Everybody that went from this section to John Robinson's big show last Monday report a fine time. Xerxes and Marion met on the streets that morning. We enjoyed the displays of the day fine, among which was the display of the big circus.

Geo. H. Sifford is now at the home of his father, Eli D. A. Sifford, on account of having the chills and bilious fever. The Dr. thinks he is convalescing. We hope him a speedy recovery.

We hear that J. R. Stadler, the famous trapper and hunter of this section, is going to move from J. F. Park's plantation down on Tom Artz's plantation, which he has rented.

The subscription school at Park Academy, which was taught by W. H. Earnhardt, has been closed.

The committee of Park Academy have selected the teachers for the next session of school as follows, Miss Roxie Trexler as principal, Miss Maggie Lyerly as assistant.

We were sorry to hear that while Old Happy was visiting in China Grove he lost his horse and buggy. He took his girl to church in the buggy and after services, when they started home, Old Happy forgot his buggy (being so interested in the conversation with his sweetheart) and walked home. When he was at the girl's home he thought of his horse and buggy and went to hunt for it. He couldn't find it anywhere, but was informed later that his horse was put in a stable by some friends.

The new supervisor of public roads in Litalaker township ordered the overseer of that section of road, by Shuping Bros' mill, to put a bridge over a mud-hole in the road. Who can beat that?

MARION.

## GRAHAM X ROADS.

Sept. 5.—There has been considerable chills in this community this summer.

Miss Anna Briggs has returned home from the mountains where she spent the summer. She has very much improved in health and in beauty. She looks as lovely as the sweet mountain roses in mid-summer.

P. A. Sifford has been confined to his room with chills for some days.

Willie Briggs, who has been in the mountains taking orders for a Chicago house, gave up his job and returned to his father, where he will raise goobers and cow-peas and can sing the merry songs: "Sally in the garden sifting sand," on his father's land.

Well, if S. is going to haul his gal around, he had better get his hair cut and a shave. He would look better.

People who live on the public road can see a monkey show every Saturday, if they look.

M. J. Bost has been kept indoors with a sore leg.

Look out boys we will have a marriage this coming winter. Get ready boys.

Making tops and hay, and picking cotton is the order of the day now.

Will Buckwell will put a condition to his barn.

The little child of Archie Albright, which has been sick, is getting better.

The ex-postmaster, of Manning, wife and daughter, Mrs. E. R. Cress, of Chestnut Hill, are spending a week with his daughter of Gold Hill, and his son, S. T. Sifford, of Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

There was a birthday supper at E. M. Sifford's Friday night, the 4th in honor of Miss Irene Sifford. Oh happy girl.

Miss Alma Bost, of Salem, and Miss Daisy Fisher, of Crescent, are visiting friends at Lenoir, N. C.

Floyd Lingle will leave for Mt. Pleasant, where he will attend school.

Miss Nola Wise will also leave for Mount Pleasant where she will enter school.

## CHRISTIANA.

August 31.—John Lingle recently purchased a new horse.

Mrs. Annie L. Klutz and son, Willie, have moved to Mrs. Nathan Brown's to make that her home.

A colored driver, of the Harper Bros. livery stable of Salisbury, took a drummer to Gold Hill last Tuesday, going by Faith, Crescent and Rockwell. He came back the Gold Hill big road. The rain had fallen in torrents all day and the streams were at their fullest. He attempted to cross the creek near D. Carson Lingle's home, but the waters were wild and swept away foot logs and other obstacles that chanced in their way. Once in the middle of the stream the waters caught up the buggy and turned it over. The driver managed by good fortune to escape and swim to the shore. Then seeing the buggy and horses being washed down stream he swam back and cut the horses loose. They, too, were saved. Nothing more could be done till the creek ran down which was next morning. The buggy was then pulled out and found to be unharmed. Once more the driver took his seat declaring he would never again venture into water unless he could see the bottom.

Rev. C. C. Wagoner has been teaching a pleasant singing school at Christiana and St. Luke's.

Rev. Lee A. Peeler preached a fine sermon at St. Luke's Sunday afternoon, August 30, and Rev. C. Wagoner preached another that night. Both are young men and we shall hear much of them later.

Rev. L. B. Spracher was installed last Sunday, September 6, in Union church. Rev. R. R. Sowers preached the sermon to the pastor and Rev. George H. Lingle, the sermon to the people.

XERXES.

## GOLD HILL.

September 7.—Good old summertime is passing. It will not be long until Jack Frost comes to snare the leaves and put flavor into the persimmons. Instead of fishing it will be hunting. "Possum gravy and 'taters'" will take the place of ice cream and peaches.

The merry widow hat will soon be retired to the limbo of the past, and the latest creation for fall and winter headgear will be in vogue. The tan brown arms of the summer girl Idyl at the beach and mountain resort will seek cover in kid gloves, while the bathing suit is stored away for the winter.

Albert Hedrick, our blacksmith, who was threatened with fever, is fully recovered and is again at his place of business, shoeing horses and repairing buggies and wagons as before.

Wm. Morgan, who resided near Garfield, died last Thursday of typhoid fever and was interred Saturday at St. Peter's.

Robinson's show has come and gone. Quite a large delegation of our people attended, expecting a colossal aggregation, but were somewhat disappointed as the show did not come up to their expectations, the morning show especially being a bum performance, in the writer's estimation.

We had another rain Saturday which swelled the creeks here about to past crossing for some hours.

Making fodder and tops will be the order of the day this week and next.

Mrs. Addie Hart and Duke Baisinger are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

M. C. Ruffy, of Salisbury visited in our town yesterday.

MtKE.

## A Negro Church to Raise \$1,800.

Rev. R. L. Houston, pastor of the Soldiers' Memorial A. M. E. church, of this city, raised nearly \$1,100 on Sunday, August 30th, for church indebtedness. This is a record breaker for a negro church and the pastor and congregation deserve to be congratulated on their success. Another effort is to be made and the pastor hopes to increase the amount to \$18,000.

## FAITH.

Sept. 7.—The children's mission band exercises at the Lutheran church here Sunday night was a great success and interesting all through. The church was crowded and the weather was fine. Their collection amounted to nearly seven dollars. Rev. Goodman, of Spencer, made a fine address to the mission band.

Misses Mamie Peeler and Mae Lyerly leave today for Newton to attend college. Several more young people will go later.

A young lady at Mr. and Mrs. J. Milton Hoffner's, Sept. 4th, 1908.

J. Milton Hoffner has opened a blacksmith shop in connection with William Foil's wood shop. He will shoe horses and do other work.

A big crowd is being made up here to go on Peeler Brothers and B. A. Feserman's excursion to Wilmington on the 28th of this month.

J. T. Wyatt shipped a large car load of street curbing today.

J. L. Shuping, superintendent at Peeler Bros' quarries, is working a big crowd. They are over-run with orders.

What a beautiful clear sunshiney day this is, and nearly everybody has gone over to Granite Quarry to see the Labor day exercises. But, since writing this a big cloud has come over and considerable rain has fallen.

P. A. Peeler has awarded the contract to a residence for "little" John Basinger and is at work on it with his force of men.

When Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hess moved to Faith to farm for J. A. Peeler, they had one son and one daughter, but they both are now married and keeping house for themselves. This leaves the old people alone.

VENUS.

## As Judge Peebles Views It.

E. L. Middleton, corresponding secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Sunday school work, just back from attending Baptist associations in the western sections of the State, is charging Judge R. B. Peebles, of the Superior court, with action in the Swain county court that Mr. Middleton declares can but have the most serious effect upon the lawless element found in too many sections. In the Swain case two young men were put on trial for disturbing public worship, in that they made a disturbance in the Sunday school at Lufty Baptist church.

It was such a clear case against them, he says, that they were advised to plead guilty. However, they went to trial and Judge Peebles had heard only two or three of the witnesses when he made an order for the case to be dismissed, holding that Sunday schools are not "public worship" in the sense intended by the statute. Mr. Middleton says the judge, by way of illustration, said from the bench that "the Legislature opened with prayer every day, but no one would argue for a moment that they are religious bodies or their proceedings a public worship."—Raleigh, N. C., dispatch.

## A Rare Book.

State Librarian Miles O. Sherrill has received from Hon. J. T. Brittain, of Asheboro, a rare old book, "Poor Peter's Call to His Children, And to All Others Who Can Hear And Believe," by "Peter Ciemmons, Senr." The book was published at Salisbury, N. C., by Conpee and Crider in 1812. There are 156 pages in the book.

The author in his preface acknowledges that "I am a poor scholar," but the pages show him to be a man of information, observation and some travel. He was a Methodist preacher, farmer, and perhaps missionary or adventurer, as he left his Pennsylvania farm and ministerial work after freeing his slaves to come to North Carolina where he resumed these occupations and appended to them the hot denunciation of slavery.

The work consists principally of sermons, moral discourses, advice to his sons and daughters and the great brotherhood of men, and the closing chapter tells why he left the "Methodist Society."

It is in many ways an interesting old book, original in thought and theology, and it tells of the life of a peculiar old man.—Raleigh News and Observer.

## ALBEMARLE AND STANLY COUNTY.

### School Opening Postponed. Wants to Get Rid of the "Tick Doctors."

Norwood Democrats will organize a fine club Saturday just before the speaking scheduled. The club is fortunate in securing Hon. Lee S. Overman as speaker. A large crowd is expected and Norwood never disappoints.

Central Academy, Littleton, N. C., an advertisement of which we have been printing for the last two or three months, has had the largest opening in its history. This school located in Warren county on a 700-acre farm, has a great future and will doubtless continue to have a large patronage.

The graded school commissioners have decided to postpone the opening of the city graded school until September 28. Mr. Hearne tells us he has completed the organization of a tenth grade, the expenses to be borne by the pupils of this grade. Prof. L. R. Scott, of Statesville, was elected and had accepted; but has since asked to be released. The board will not consider his resignation, and it is hoped that Mr. Scott will not insist.

An amusing thing occurred at a Republican club meeting several nights ago. A former Democrat seems to have been the chief spokesman. He wanted to elect to a Republican ticket for two reasons, namely: to get a "strip of road" worked, and to keep "these here tick doctors from going all about over the country." It is to be hoped the "tick doctors" sent out by Mr. Roosevelt don't feel bad.

An exchangé gives the following method of curing a wart: Put a drop of vinegar on the wart and then as much baking soda as the vinegar will absorb. Do this two or three times a day, keep it on ten minutes, and in a few days the wart will drop off and leave no mark but a tiny white spot. This is said to be an infallible remedy and perfectly harmless. If you are troubled with warts try it and see for yourself what virtue there is in it.

Hon. Jno. S. Henderson addressed the Democratic Club on Friday night, touching principally on the tariff, banking and the allied questions. His speech was thoughtful and comprehensive as his speeches usually are. He exhorted the party to remember its history and what it has done for the State and for the South. Mr. Henderson stated that while campaigning he hoped to make several other speeches before the election.

## EARLY IS BARRED.

Under the Circumstances North Carolina Cannot Receive Him.

North Carolina refuses to receive from the Federal authorities the leper, J. W. Early, of Lynn, found to have leprosy while in Washington looking after an application for an army pension. This action, through the State board of health, Dr. George G. Thomas, chairman, is based on the ruling of Assistant Attorney General Hayden Clement to the effect that a State is not required by either State or Federal constitutions or statutes to receive citizens from beyond her border having contagious or pestilential diseases; that even if the State were inclined to do this in the present instance it would be impossible for the reason that the railroads would refuse to carry the patient, and since Early evidently contracted the disease in the army service he was a leper when discharged whether leprosy had shown itself or not. Therefore the United States government is morally bound to retain and provide for him in quarantine.

With reference to the wife and child of the leper, who have gone to Washington in the interest of husband and father, Mr. Clement advises the State board that the board should write her in Washington and acquaint her with the fact that if she returns to North Carolina she will be quarantined in Polk county by the county authorities. This he says, should be done not to prevent her return, but in fairness to her in order that she may know what to expect should she decide to return.—Raleigh dispatch to Charlotte Observer.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY.

### Several Important Recommendations Made by This Body.

The grand jury was discharged Saturday, having finished the business brought before it, and submitted the following report:

His Honor, Judge of the Superior Court of Rowan County, August-September Term, 1908:

We, the grand jurors for the said county, respectfully report that we have acted on all papers that came into our hands and that we have made presentations of all cases coming to our knowledge and have otherwise disposed of all business brought before us as far as we are able to judge and have performed all duties required of us as grand jurors.

We visited the clerk's office and found same in good condition, books well kept and nothing needed at present.

We have visited the register of deeds' office and found the records well kept in a modern way. We found some of the records in a bad condition, having gotten wet on account of a recent fire in the court house annex, and we, the grand jurors, recommend that such records be copied for the benefit of future use.

We found after visiting the jail that the same was well kept in a clean condition. We talked with the prisoners and they say they are well fed, well treated, and as comfortable as could be expected.

We visited the county treasurer's office by committee, examined his books and found them well kept and in good condition. We also visited the sheriff's office and found his books well kept and everything in good condition. We visited the county home by committee and found the inmates all in good health with one exception, but found that every attention was being given, the inmates were comfortable, well fed and given every necessary attention.

We visited the chain gangs Nos. 1 and 2 by a committee, and found after talking with some of the inmates that they are being well treated, getting plenty to eat.

We visited the buildings Nos. 1 and 2 by a committee, and found after talking with some of the inmates that they are being well treated, getting plenty to eat. Found a little sickness, but every attention necessary is being given; found the buildings clean and in good condition with the exception of the sleeping quarters in both camp Nos. 1 and 2 need a new roof.

We recommend that the entire interior of the court house be thoroughly cleaned and repainted, and that a new court house be built as soon as the financial conditions will warrant.

Respectfully submitted, W. C. MAUPIN, foreman.

The Star realizes the deplorable conditions in this section caused by the recent floods and extends its sympathy to those persons who have suffered loss. The whole farming country in this section has been devastated. The destruction of crops and of other farm property has been fearful. The loss can hardly be calculated. Many men have lost their all and with such sufferers it makes no difference whether they counted their wealth by the hundreds or by the millions of dollars. It is the loss of all he had and that, whether a few dollars or many millions of dollars, places a man who loses all in a deplorable position.

The two fearful storms we have had in the recent past in this State have put many men in the position of needing aid from charity who under ordinary circumstances would not think of asking or accepting public help. This shows to what stress people have been driven. In cases of this kind it is no reflection on men that they should accept outside aid. At times all men are driven to extremities by circumstances over which they have no control. We are glad to know that the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce has opened a subscription for flood sufferers of this section of the State.—Wilmington Star.

Tickling or dry Coughs will quickly loosen when using Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy. And it is so thoroughly harmless, that Dr. Shoop tells mothers to do nothing else, even for very young babies. The wholesome green leaves and tender stem of a lung healing mountainous shrub give the curative properties to Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy. It calms the cough, and heals the sensitive bronchial membranes. No opium, no chloroform, nothing harsh used to injure or suppress. Demand Dr. Shoop's. Accept no other. Sold by Cornelison & Cook.

## ADVERTISING IN HARD TIMES.

### The Very Time of All Times to Keep Things Going.

The philosophy of advertising is a very complicated subject. Even those who understand it best, and it has come to be a profession, are empirics, they have found that a certain course produces effect, and they follow it without exactly knowing why one method is preferable to another. The object is plain enough—to create in the minds of as many as possible the impression that you have something to sell worth buying. If it is something new the task is more difficult than if it is a staple article. In either case the main point is to reach the right people, and sometimes this can be accomplished only by the wasteful method of trying to reach everybody. There is also the danger in personally addressing a possible customer that he may be annoyed by the appeal and indifference converted into a slight feeling of resentment. It is for this reason that it is thought better by some who have made a study of the subject to mail circulars with a one-cent stamp. Many of them are thrown into the waste basket unopened. If sent in a sealed envelope all are opened, but in more than one-half of the cases the recipient feels that a liberty has been taken with him and is prejudiced against the sender. No man expecting a letter likes to find a business circular.

If it is impossible to decide whether a two-cent stamp or a one-cent stamp is advisable on an advertising letter, all who have made a study of the subject agree that constant advertising during hard times pays in ultimate, though not in immediate returns. The customer who sees a business card on his trade journal month after month, when he is giving no orders, gets an impression that the advertiser is solvent and sound. He is apt to recall the name when business revives and he begins to place orders once more. This is so well understood that hundreds of pages of such papers as Iron Age have been filled with business cards during the past year, though sales in the tools and machines mentioned have dropped to almost nothing. The man who does not advertise right through hard times is apt to be forgotten and has a hard campaign before him to bring himself into the minds of his customers again. For advertising is something like a personal introduction. It may ripen into profitable and pleasant relations or it may result in nothing. It is well to be introduced by a reputable paper, but after the introduction the advertiser himself must make good. And it is very hard for a man to introduce himself without some previous breaking of the ground, however persistent and plausible he may be. Hence the wisdom of keeping the notice of a legitimate business before the public during hard times.—Hartford Times.

## Dullness Cured by Science.

Transformation of dull pupils in the public schools of Chicago into bright boys and girls by means of a simple and harmless surgical operation is one of the objects of a campaign of inspection inaugurated in the grammar schools Monday by the City Health Department. The dullness of pupils who are bright enough to attend public schools, scientists have found, is due in a large percentage of cases not to natural mental deficiencies, but to the adenoids at the base of the nasal passages, in what is known as the post-nasal tract. A surgeon cuts out the adenoids—just like removing a tonsil—and his knife banishes the apparent stupidity of the child.—Chicago dispatch to Cincinnati Enquirer.

## How to Get Strong.

P. J. Daly, of 1247 W. Congress St., Chicago, tells of a way to be strong: He says: "My mother, who is old and was very feeble, is deriving so much benefit from Electric Bitters, that I feel it's my duty to tell those who need a tonic and strengthening medicine about it. In my mother's case a marked gain in flesh has resulted, insomnia has been overcome, and she is steadily growing stronger." Electric Bitters quickly remedy stomach, liver and kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at all Druggists. 50c.

## MOCKSVILLE AND DAVIE COUNTY.

### New School House for Dulins. A Very Narrow Escape From Drowning.

D. E. Seaman, of this place, was married Sunday to Miss Minnie Seaman, of Rowan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. C. Parker at Barber.—Kappa correspondent.

The citizen and patrons of Dulins public school district are at work in earnest to build an elegant public school house at that district. Owing to the geographical location of this district surrounded on all sides by creeks it would be impracticable and unwise to make this district a part of any other district.—Dulins correspondent.

Henry Charles, who lives in Davidson county had the misfortune to lose his fine horse and get his buggy smashed to pieces last Thursday during the freshet while crossing Potts Branch, between Eulston and Fork Church. The horse was a fine animal and was worth about two hundred and ten dollars. Bob Williams, who was with Mr. Charles, had a narrow escape from drowning; he held on to the buggy until it had been washed down the stream several hundred yards and he went under several times but finally succeeded in grasping a limb of a tree and pulled himself out.

Theodore Stewart, son of C. W. Steart, died Sunday, Aug. 30th, at the age of 21 years and was buried in the cemetery at Jerusalem Monday evening at 5 o'clock. Funeral services were conducted in Jerusalem church by Rev. Weston, using the 90th Psalm, assisted by Rev. C. S. Cashwell. Quite a number of relatives and friends were present. He was taken sick on the first Sunday in August but was not confined to his bed until two weeks before his death when he grew worse despite the splendid treatment and efforts of Dr. W. C. Martin, the typhoid fever developed in its worst form and he died from perforation of the bowels caused by typhoid fever.

## How It Feels to be Hanged.

I will tell you how it feels to be hanged. At Fort Barrancus, Fla., on April 4, 1864, I was hung as a Confederate spy. I spent four minutes between earth and heaven. Then, a Yankee sergeant, believing me to be the wrong man cut me down.

My first sensation when the barrel was kicked from under my feet was that of a steam boiler inside me about to explode. Every vein and blood vessel to and from my heart seemed charged with an oppressive fullness that must find an avenue of escape. The nervous system throughout its length was tingling with a painful, pricking sensation like the like of which I never felt before or since. Then followed the sense of explosion, as if a volcano had erupted. This seemed to give me relief, and the pain gave way to a pleasurable feeling, one very desirable, could it be secured without death.

With this sensation a light broke in upon my sight, a light of milky whiteness, yet, strange to say, so transparent that it was easier to pierce with the eye than the light of day. Then came into my mouth a taste of sweetness the like of which I have never since known. And I felt myself moving on, with a consciousness of leaving everything behind. Then I heard the sweetest of music, and it seemed that more than a thousand harps led in each part, accompanied by myriads of voices.

And the sensation of coming back to life after I had been cut down was just as painful as the first feeling of hanging. It was acute torture. Every nerve seemed to have a pain of its own. My nose and fingers were seats of most excruciating agony. In half an hour the pain was all gone, but I would not go through the experience again for the wealth of the Indies.—Rev. J. T. Mann in Spare Moments.

Drive Rheumatism out of the blood with Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy and see how quickly pain will depart. Rub-on's never did reach the real disease. Rheumatism isn't in the skin. It's deep down—it's constitutional. Getting rid of the pain, is after all, what counts. That is why Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy goes, by word of mouth from one to another. And herein lies the popularity of this Remedy. It is winning defenders everywhere. Tablets or Liquid. Sold by Cornelison & Cook.