

THURSDAY, NOV. 19, 1903.

Local Records.

—On last Saturday Mr. Walker Eubanks, who lives near here, killed eight grown squirrels on one tree.

—Rev. W. L. Hayes preached a strong temperance sermon in the Baptist church at this place, on last Sunday night.

—Our former countyman, Rev. W. F. Womble, will preach in the Methodist church here next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

—Dr. Irvin, Dentist, will be at Goff Dec. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5th, at Mr. T. J. Harrington's residence, prepared to do all kinds of dental work.

—A. Max at Durham is selling his immense stock in great quantities and at wonderfully low prices. He keeps everything anybody needs and in all lines of goods.

—Our stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Ladies' Jackets and Furs is complete. Come to see us and we will save you money. J. H. Weatherup, Sanford, N. C.

—At the Presbyterian church at Gulf Rev. Donald McRae, of Wadesboro, was married yesterday to Miss Pauline Russell, the accomplished daughter of Mr. W. S. Russell. We wish the young couple a long life of wedded bliss.

—Yesterday at Goldston Mr. Thomas Moore, of Rockingham county, was married to Miss Mary Womble, a daughter of our esteemed countyman, Mr. C. W. Womble. The bride extends congratulations and best wishes.

—The cotton factory at Byram resumed work last Monday, after remaining idle for several weeks while the new dam was being constructed. This dam across Haw river has cost nearly \$1,000 and will greatly increase the water power for the factory.

—When you go to Durham be sure to call at the big department store of A. Max, where you can get great bargains in everything you want. He is selling at reduced prices all his immense stock of dry goods, groceries, clothing, shoes and anything you need.

—Our town is becoming quite an important cotton market, as the price paid here for cotton compares most favorably with that of the surrounding markets. Our popular cotton agent, Mr. H. C. Peay, says more cotton has been shipped from here this season than ever before.

—Next Thanksgiving Day all business will be suspended here for the customary day off. The stores will be closed all day, and the post office will be open only half an hour before the departure and half an hour after the arrival of each mail.

—We much regret to hear of the fatal burning of the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. Holt Love, of Rock Hill township. She and some other children were burning cane stalks when her dress caught on fire, and before it could be extinguished she was burned so badly that she died in a few hours.

—Little things is what you save money on and W. L. London & Son's is the place to get them if you want to save money. They sell the best ladies' and misses' hose for the money in the town. They have a large stock of men's, ladies' and children's cloaks, handkerchiefs, etc. They can save you money on anything you want.

—The Confederate pensioners of the fourth class will each receive \$14 next month, which is half a dollar less than last year. This decrease is due to the increased number of pensioners. These pensions will be paid the week before Christmas and will be most acceptable to the needy old men and widows who get them.

—If you haven't got that winter hat it will pay you to see the stock at W. L. London & Son's. They will sell you a handsome and more stylish hat for less money than you can get anywhere else, and will give you a larger stock to select from. They also have a nice stock of furs. They would like to show you their stock of cloaks, caps and jackets. Many saved is money made.

POCKET-BOOK INCIDENT.

The editor of *The Beacon* has had the good luck of recovering his pocket-book, which was stolen last month at the State Fair. The only thing missing from it is the one dollar bill that was in it, as the thief was afraid to attempt to use the three small numbered checks that were in it, and the other contents were receipts and papers of no value to him.

The pocket-book was found and kindly returned by Mr. E. A. Grubbs, of Lynchburg, who is employed on the train service of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company. He found it in the conf.

box of a coach that was used on an excursion train to Raleigh during the fair. The thief had thrown it there in his haste after finding only one dollar in it.

This is the second time that the editor's pocket-book has been stolen and returned, which is quite a coincidence. The other time was in 1893 when Bryan spoke at Charlotte on his tour of this state. It is to be hoped that the pick-pockets will be warned by the experience of their brother and hereafter not molest the pockets of this country editor.

SUPERIOR COURT.

The November term of Chatham superior court began on last Monday. Court was opened by the judge as soon as he arrived on the mounting train. The following were drawn and empanelled as the grand jury: F. A. Phillips, Gainesville; J. J. Moon, Richard Smith, W. A. Coggins, Fredsy Fugger, Charles A. Stinson, Nathan Rogers, Willie Darsey, G. L. Andrews, Schuyler Edwards, J. J. Johnson, A. D. Turrent, Stephen Heard, W. A. Jones, Hodges Johnson, S. M. Wilson, J. P. Gerlach and Thomas D. Brooks.

The judge's charge to the grand jurors was an able and clear explanation of their duties and of the responsibilities involved upon them. It was heard with close attention by all the bystanders as well as by the jurors, such charges are very instructive and are of much public interest.

Solicitor E. Bissell was promptly at his post with another prosecution of his own as the chairman of the Milling案, which charged Ruth with exposing herself and selling obscene literature. Besides the matter already argued, the book itself was not introduced.

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Bath's Obscene Book.

An example has been made by Mayor Powell that sets a good precedent to the State.

Within white man before him charged with exposing and selling obscene literature, he sent him to publication of the bond for his appearance the next term of the court here.

J. L. Ruth is the man and it is understood that he comes from Pittsboro county. He has been selling for sale and selling in Raleigh book entitled "My Own Life As An Outcast Husband" at 50 cents a copy, of which he is the author and which he claims is in part a history of certain instances in his life. The book is copyrighted by Ruth and was printed by C. H. Thompson in Fayetteville. On its cover is Ruth's picture.

The book is one filled with incidents in which villainy and strife of the most depraved kind are shamelessly paraded. Two residents of this city, one who bought a copy of the book and one who had seen Ruth read it, sent him to jail for 10 days on a charge of obscenity. The Milling案, which charged Ruth with exposing herself and selling obscene literature. Besides the matter already argued, the book itself was not introduced.

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