

Local Records.

The beef market has opened up again at Brooks' store.

You can get those large fresh oysters any time from G. H. Brooks.

Poe-Atwater Mer. Co. have just received a car of Fertilizers. Why not haul your Guano before you get busy on the farm?

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Alick Allen, who was so seriously shot by revenue officers, is much better and will, it is now thought, get well.

We will publish next week a full account of the marriage of Mr. Robert Moore and Miss Cara Bland, to whom the RECORD extends its best wishes.

A respectable old colored woman, named Peggy Womack, died near here last Thursday. She was about eighty years old and had been one of the best cooks in this county.

If you have not paid your account for last year with Poe-Atwater Mer. Co. they make the request, and shall expect you to do so, on or before the 1st day of February.

Mr. Robert E. Harris and Mr. W. D. Matthews, of New Hope township, killed the largest hogs reported thus far this winter. They weighed 588 and 570 pounds. Who can beat this?

Poe-Atwater Mer. Co. have just received a splendid line of Pants which were shipped to them last fall, though were delayed in transit. These Pants will be retailed at wholesale prices.

Merchants, attention! C. W. Hanks, broker, can save you money on flour, grain, meat, lard, molasses, etc. A car load of wheat and hay each sold, is his record for Saturday. Give him a trial.

Lockville Roller Mills offer their products as follows until Jan. 23rd: Half patent flour, \$1.95; low grade, \$3.75; meal per bushel, 70 cents. Special prices on lots of flour, barrel or more, or ten bushels of meal.

Received this week at W. L. London & Son's another big shipment of Harvest King and Oven Lifter Flour and Cumberland Mills chops. These brands are of the very best grade and no better goods are brought to this market.

Capt. William S. Ramsey, who has been living at Baltimore for thirty years or more, was here a few days ago. While here he was invited to the room of the Commercial Club and remarked that room just seventy years before.

When you need anything in the Harness and Saddlery line you will find what you want at W. L. London & Son's. Buggy and Wagon Harness, Riding and buggy bridles, halters, horse collars, collar pads, a good grade of harness leather, harness buckles, rings, &c. &c.

The Nall case was not tried at Raleigh this week, as was expected, but was postponed until the 29th of March. It was continued because of the sickness of Hon. T. B. Womack, who had been employed by the State to aid the prosecution. Several witnesses from this county (about a dozen) went to Raleigh to attend the trial.

Personal Items.

Mr. R. H. Hayes has been quite sick but is now much better.

Mrs. James L. Griffin is visiting relatives at Sanford and Siler City.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bracy, of Vermont, are here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Poe.

Miss Mary P. Hill will go to Smithfield tomorrow on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. E. W. Pon.

Dr. H. T. Chapin, after a week's confinement to his home with an attack of grip, is able to be out again.

Invitations have been received here to the marriage of Mr. Chas. C. Cheek to Miss Clara Paschal at Goldston next Tuesday, the 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Fell and daughter, little Miss Elizabeth Jackson Fell, have returned to their home in Trenton, New Jersey.

Messrs. H. A. London and H. M. London went to Raleigh on Tuesday to prosecute for the State in the trial of the asylum attendants charged with killing T. H. Nall.

Coroner's Inquest.

As stated in last week's RECORD the coroner's jury did not discover the cause of the deaths of Mrs. Emeline Pattishall and daughter, who died from poison several weeks ago. The verdict of the jury is as follows: "That Emeline and Josie Pattishall came to their deaths by poison, accidentally, or by the

hands of unknown person or persons."

The jurors were I. P. Coggin, A. H. Sloan, R. S. Kelly, T. L. Wicker, John A. Williams and J. R. Gunter. Quite a number of witnesses were examined. The evidence showed that a box of bug poison was found in a cupboard, and in the same cupboard was another box labeled the essence of coffee. The chemical analysis of the stomachs of the two women showed poison in the coffee found therein.

Lee's Birthday.

Tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, beginning at 2.30 o'clock, the Winnie Davis Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy will commemorate with appropriate exercises at the academy the birthday of General Robert E. Lee. They invite the public generally, and especially Confederate veterans, to attend and take part in these exercises.

Lee's birthday is a legal holiday in this State and is observed in many of our cities and towns with impressive exercises. It ought to be thus observed in every town and village in every Southern State. Too much honor cannot be paid the memory of such a man as Lee, and his name and character should forever go sounding down the ages. Not only was he the greatest general this country has ever produced, but his character was as near perfection as any human could be. Coming generations should be taught what kind of a man he was, and his memory should forever be fondly cherished.

Our State Papers.

From the Raleigh News and Observer.

Mr. M. L. Shipman, Assistant Labor Commissioner, has given out an interesting newspaper summary, a splendid exhibit of the newspaper field in North Carolina. The summary was made from statistics collected for the annual report of the Department, and is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Kind, No., Circulation. Rows include Morning daily, Evening daily, Weekly, Semi-weekly, Monthly, Semi-monthly, Annually, Quarterly, Total.

Circulation not given, Evening daily, 1; weekly, 5; monthly, 7; semi-monthly, 1; quarterly, 1.

POLITICS, DENOMINATION, ETC.

Democratic, 131; Republican, 17; Independent, 41; Populist, 2; Baptist, 11; Methodist, 7; Christian, 1; Moravian, 1; Protestant Episcopal, 3; Presbyterian, 5; Primitive Baptist, 2; Free Will Baptist, 1; Catholic, 1; Religious, 1; Philanthropic, 1; Quaker, 1; Industrial, 1; Fraternal, 2; W. C. T. U., 1; Trade, 8; Educational, 14; Literary, 8; Medical, 2; Agricultural, 4; Athletic, 1; Textile, 1; Almanac, 3; Lutheran, 1; Pythian, 1; Masonic, 1; Holiness, 4; Labor, 2; Reformed Church, 1; News, 8; Law, 1. Total, 290.

Naval Officers Entertained at Charleston.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 13.—The officers and men of the United States cruiser Charleston, now in this port, have been enjoying a continued round of pleasure since the warship arrived here last Tuesday night. Yesterday the officers were given a fox hunt, starting from Congressman Legare's plantation in St. Andrew's parish. There was also a lunch at the Commercial club. This afternoon the officers entertained the aldermen and committees with a beautiful reception on the deck of the cruiser. During the afternoon a series of boat races was run composed of the boats of the cruiser. The Charleston sails for Norfolk tomorrow afternoon.

Monroe Journal: A well-to-do farmer came to town Saturday to buy some mules. But he bought two immense steers instead. "You will see me driving them to town soon," he said, and continued: "Mules are so high that a man who wants to make a living instead of a show had better be looking for some other kind of power. Now the truth of the matter is, these oxen are better for wagoning than any mules that were ever hitched up, but people have become too proud to drive them. These 11-hundred pounders cost me thirty dollars each, while mules that could do their work would have cost nearly six hundred a pair."

Newton Enterprise: Mr. Raymond Moore tells us of a thrilling experience Mrs. Uriah Bowman, of Startown, had Monday afternoon. She went to the granary to get some broom-corn from the loft. The ascent was by way of an inclined plank, one end of which rested on the head of a barrel and the other on an overhead joist. Before she reached the landing the foundation gave away. In grabbing for the joist a projecting nail ran through a ring on a finger of her left hand. And there she hung dangling from the joist until her cries brought help. When taken down the finger was cut about off.

An agreeable movement of the bowels without any unpleasant effect is produced by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

Marshall Field, Chicago's richest merchant, died of pneumonia on last Tuesday. He was worth from one to two hundred million dollars, and was the most successful merchant in the United States.

A New Devil.

Special to Charlotte Observer.

Southern Pines, Jan. 14.—The colored population of Southern Pines is excited. A startling rumor has come to this section saying that a new devil has been born in West Virginia. The story goes that the new devil was a monster fit for any kind of mischief, and although every effort was made to do away with him immediately after it was discovered to be a devil, the creature escaped when a few days old, and has been rambling over the country at its own will ever since.

The situation would be funny if it was not so annoying in the inconvenience it causes. The colored folks who have heard the story are scared out of their senses. Naturally superstitious and timid, they are infinitely worse now. The house servant who has heard of the new devil is afraid to go to the chicken house alone. She refuses to go around the dark side of the house after dark. She will not go near a vacant house in daylight for fear the new devil will jump out and catch her, and taking it all around the absurd story is making a lot of inconvenience. Several letters of inquiry have been written by the hopeful ones to friends in Ohio and West Virginia, and it is to be hoped that information will be received to set at rest some of the fears, but no amount of assurance will remove the scare entirely, for a frightful darky always shies again at the same place.

For A Lock Canal.

Washington, Jan. 15.—President Roosevelt is preparing to send to Congress a message which will favor a lock canal. He had a conference to-day with several members of the Senate Committee on Inter-Oceanic affairs.

The message of the President will favor the construction of a lock canal on the ground that it is in the interest of the present generation and not for posterity, and for the further reason that it can be built at less cost of time and money. He is making an effort to crystallize sentiment in favor of a lock canal. It is said that the President incidentally asked the Republican members of the committee to support the nomination of Joseph D. Bishop to be a member of the commission, and to use every effort to prevent indiscriminate reduction of the salaries of canal officials, which he fears may be the result of an investigation.

New Poison For Rats.

A well known gentleman of Lilesville township recently accidentally discovered a rat exterminator that lays rough on rats in the shade for effectiveness. The exterminator is nothing less than corn whiskey, and the only trouble about its coming into general use is that there are few people, who have it about them, who are willing to divide with the rats. Several nights ago the gentleman in question happened to have a small quantity of whiskey in a saucer on the dining room table. Next morning he was surprised to find the whiskey all gone and the table almost covered with dead rats. He then placed some whiskey in his barn and the rats drank greedily and immediately keeled over and gave up the ghost.

But for the reason stated above, we very much fear that this remedy for rats will never be popular with the public.

Accidentally Killed His Friend.

Washington, N. C., Jan. 11.—One of the saddest accidents that has ever taken place in this city occurred this afternoon about 5 o'clock, when Hartwell Thompson, the 17-year-old son of Rev. L. E. Thompson, accidentally shot and killed his friend and playmate, David Nelms, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nelms, of this city. It seems that Nelms had purchased a new pistol and he and young Thompson were out in the yard trying it. Thompson was holding it and, in some way, it was discharged, the load taking effect in Nelms' head.

Verdict Against Saloon Keepers.

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Finding that the father was ruined by drink, a jury in Judge Tutthill's court today returned a verdict of \$17,500 in favor of the five children of John Hedlund against three saloon-keepers.

According to the story told in court, Hedlund and his family were happy until five years ago, when he is said to have begun the use of intoxicating liquors.

Girls Have Duel Over Lover.

Mexico City, Jan. 14.—Two girls, Nicolasa Elizdale and Francisca Funte, rivals in love, decided to settle the question of possession of their lover by a duel and met in a field in the suburbs of the city and fought with knives. The Elizdale girl was stabbed five times and fatally injured. The surviving duelist has been arrested.

Fire Statistics For 1905.

Raleigh Correspondence Charlotte Observer.

Insurance Commissioner James R. Young, in talking with your correspondent to-day, had the following to say regarding fire insurance, or more properly fire losses for the year 1905: "The year 1905 closed with heavy fire losses: \$175,157,800. This is the amount as shown by the records compiled by the Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, and is the largest in any one year except those of the disastrous conflagrations of 1871, 1872 and 1904. There were no especially large fires in 1905 and the loss is to be accounted for in the unusual number of fires and the increased valuation of stocks destroyed. The losses in 1904 were \$252,364,000 and in 1903 \$156,195,700. The year 1904 had the conflagrations of Baltimore and Toronto. The December losses for 1905 were \$15,276,600, or over \$4,000,000 less than for the same month in 1904. During 1905 there were 3,363 fires where the loss reached \$10,000 or over, and 16 fires where half a million was involved, or even more than that amount. The general wave of prosperity sweeping over the country has so greatly increased the values that the year has been a good one from the underwriting standpoint, notwithstanding the heavy losses."

Bullet in Heart a Month.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 13.—John E. Pruden, 18 years old, carries a 32-calibre bullet within the pericardium of his heart and lives. Pruden and George Williams were out shooting a cat, and when the weapon was thought to be empty, Williams carelessly pointed it at Pruden while reloading, and the revolver went off.

When probing for the ball, the throbbing of the heart knocked the instruments from the surgeon's hands. The physicians were fearful to probe further and decided to let nature take its course.

Pruden was in bed just one month from the effects of the wound, but it was some time before the soreness and jumping pains about the heart ceased. The doctors are not yet satisfied as to the exact location of the ball, but the young man is not willing to be subjected to an X-ray examination.

Saved By His Cow.

Mason City, Jan. 12.—John Calvert, a farmer near the city, had a narrow escape from being killed by a vicious cow. The animal charged and knocked him down, and when he was about to rise struck him again, and then attempted to gore him. The enraged animal made an effort to run him through with her horns, but Calvert evaded her.

At this point one of Calvert's cows came to the scene, and immediately challenged her master's assailant to battle, which was accepted, and a furious contest ensued. This gave the farmer his opportunity for escape.

He is firmly of the opinion that had not his own cow been there he would have been killed. He had gone to the corn field for his cattle, which were with a herd of his neighbor's, one of which attacked him.

Coal Stove Explodes.

Special to News and Observer.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan.—By the explosion of a coal stove the home of Deputy Sheriff J. J. Cofer was practically destroyed by fire to day. The officer who was confined to his bed by sickness, in his efforts to save his baby, which was in the bed with him, was badly burned in the face. Nearly all of the household property and wearing apparel belonging to Mr. Cofer and the members of his family was lost.

Cashier Shoots Himself.

Wadley, Ga., Jan. 15.—E. L. Humphrey, cashier of the Bank of Wadley, and superintendent of a Sunday school, shot himself to death at 8 o'clock this morning. The bullet entered the neck.

Mr. Humphrey leaves a widow and four children. The cause of his suicide is not known.

President Rentz, of the bank gave out the following statement: "We have examined the books of the bank and have not found a single discrepancy. There is no shortage so far as we can discover, though in justice to Mr. Humphrey's family we have wired State Treasurer Park to send us a bank examiner and we have also wired for an expert accountant."

Wadesboro Messenger: While hunting rabbits a few days ago Mr. H. D. Watkins, of Aunsonville township, found a swarm of bees that had settled on the limb of an oak tree, near the ground. The bees had been very industrious and Mr. Watkins and his companions excelled over twenty pounds of excellent honey. The comb, which was eighteen inches long and as large around as a ten gallon keg, was fastened to the limb and had no protection whatever.

The grand jury of Wake county in their report last Tuesday declared the conditions of the county home to be "deplorable and without excuse," and that the meals furnished its inmates "would be no credit to a convict camp."

Against Southern Negroes.

Special to News and Observer.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—Not alone is the negro, Judson Lyons, register of the treasury, to be turned down by the President upon the expiration of his present term, but no more Southern negroes are to be appointed to Presidential offices. If any negroes are appointed at all they must come from the North and West. Such is the Presidential program as announced today by a White House caller. Judson Lyons, who is also the Republican national committeeman from Georgia, was at the White House to-day and learned from the President himself that he would not be re-appointed. It is announced that the negro, Vernon, of Kansas, has been agreed upon for the place. It is also stated that all of those negroes appointed to office in the South by President McKinley upon the recommendation of Senator Hanna will be removed upon the expiration of their second terms and white are to be put in their places.

Easily Swindled.

Special to the Wilmington Messenger.

The Free Press, of Kinston, tells of a fakir who visited that town last week and took in a number of the citizens by selling them a liquid preparation for nickel-plating any kind of metal. All that was necessary was to pour the preparation on the article to be plated and the latter would immediately show a beautiful nickel surface. But the Free Press says that "of course the bright color faded from the metal almost as soon as the man faded from the city. Some of those who had been gulled got their money back by using the stuff on pennies which they passed off for dimes before the "shine" had time to wear off. While the plating was fresh the pennies could be easily passed for the more valuable coins.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years from rheumatism," says W. H. Howard of Husband, Pennsylvania. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

Earned to Death.

Mourne, Jan. 12.—While burning broom straw around her home, Mrs. Rebecca Louny, of Buford, was burned to death Wednesday evening. She lived alone and was about 60 years of age. Miss Gracie Bolk, her niece, who lives about 300 yards away, was the first one to discover the accident. She went to her home and missed Mrs. Louny. She began to search and found her aunt's clothing scattered over the yard and her body in the fence. Dogs had mutilated her body. Mrs. Louny was a good old lady and had many friends in her neighborhood, who regret to hear of her sad death.

Contracted Chronic Diarrhoea

While in The Philippines.

"While in the U. S. Army in the Philippines, I contracted chronic diarrhoea. I suffered severely from this terrible disease for over three years and tried the prescriptions of numerous physicians, but found nothing that did me any good until I tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, two small bottles of which entirely cured me and I have since had no return of the disease."—Herman Stein, 212 N. Union Ave., Pueblo, Colorado. For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

Man Blown to Pieces.

Special to News and Observer.

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 13.—A special from Chandler, Buncombe county today says: the wife and father of J. M. Powers, of this place received a telegram today saying that Mr. Powers had been killed by a powder explosion near Bushnell, Swain county. He was a railway contractor engaged in construction work. The messenger did not say when he was killed but presumably it was late yesterday afternoon or early today. The body was literally blown to pieces.

There are 287 mills in the State; and owing to the scarcity of labor, there is a tendency toward consolidation. The capital represented by these mills aggregates \$37,497,628. There are 3,367,625 spindles and 45,663 looms, 3,935 knitting machines. All these are operated by 17,058 horse-power, and consume 25,796,864 pounds of raw material.

In Paris, in a 500-point billiard match last Monday night for the championship of the world between Maurice Vignaux, of Paris, and Willie Hopper, of New York, the latter won by 177 points.

FURNITURE. You will find in our Furniture Department the second floor, everything that it takes to furnish your house. Bed-room Sets, Bedsteads, Single beds in iron and oak, Side-boards, Wash-stands, Kitchen Safes, Centre Tables, a splendid assortment Chairs, Wire, Coil Spring Mattresses, Bed mattresses from \$2.50 to \$9.50. Especial attention is given this line, and it will interest you to look at it, if you are in need of anything. W. L. LONDON & SON.

1878. 1906. Every Citizen OF CHATHAM COUNTY. ought to Read THE CHATHAM RECORD which for TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS has been doing its utmost to build up our grand old county. This is ELECTION YEAR and every voter ought to be posted on all the issues. Coffins and Caskets. A full stock of Coffins and Caskets always on hand and sold at all prices. All kinds and sizes. B. Nooe, Pittsboro, N. C. Jan. 26, 1905.

THE RECORD. Is the "OLD RELIABLE," that can be depended on not only for the Latest News but for its advocacy of all measures that will best promote the prosperity of all the people. Contracted Chronic Diarrhoea While in The Philippines. "While in the U. S. Army in the Philippines, I contracted chronic diarrhoea. I suffered severely from this terrible disease for over three years and tried the prescriptions of numerous physicians, but found nothing that did me any good until I tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, two small bottles of which entirely cured me and I have since had no return of the disease."—Herman Stein, 212 N. Union Ave., Pueblo, Colorado. For sale by G. R. Pilkington.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Having qualified as administrator of J. J. Morris, deceased, I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to exhibit the same to me on or before the 28th of December, 1906. M. F. MORRIS, Administrator, Bear Creek, N. C. Dec. 28th, 1906. Seaboard Air Line Railway. Direct Line North, East South and South-west. Schedule Effective Jan. 8, 1905. Trains arrive at Pittsboro as follows: No. 139 at 10:50 a. m. from Moncure, connects with No. 38 from points South. No. 141 at 5:50 p. m. connects with No. 41 from Raleigh and points North. Trains leave Pittsboro as follows: No. 138 at 9:00 a. m. for Moncure, connects with No. 38 for Raleigh and points North. No. 140 at 3:50 p. m. for Moncure, connects with No. 41 for points South.

Only 3 cents a week. SUBSCRIBE NOW. Furs Still Wanted. But only at market value. The market has recently become uncertain and we can only guarantee the market prices until the middle of February, when the market will probably be better. J. D. PAYNE, Burlington, N. C.