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PERSONAL AND NEWS NOTES

Mr. C. G. Conner returned from Laurel Hill last week.

Mr. A. S. Webb has moved to Mt. Tirzah, N. C., where he has charge of an academy.

Mr. J. F. Boyce formerly of this county came up from Portsmouth last Friday on business.

Mrs. H. T. Boyce, of Rehoboth, and Mrs. J. F. Boyce, of Portsmouth, spent last Friday here, the guests of Mrs. M. H. Conner.

Mr. Joshua Conwell, our oldest citizen, has passed his 82 mile post, being now in his 83 year. He is still able to work and bids fair to live with us many years to come.

We failed to mention last week that Mrs. W. E. Clifton and little daughter Willia had returned from Littleton. But she is such a hard worker in good works; he does not have to be home long before our people find it out.

The Baptist Sunday School picnic at Peele's mill last Thursday was largely attended and much enjoyed by those present. As stated before, the Methodist and Friends Sunday schools were invited.

We were glad to receive a call from our friend, G. Hampton Barnes, of Bertie, brother of our foreign correspondent, a few days ago. Mr. Barnes has been suffering with rheumatism for several months and consequently has been unable to leave home much.

There is one woman in Rich Square whose name is rarely seen or heard in public but who is like a ministering angel in the homes of those needing her attention, always doing her duty as she sees it. That woman is Mrs. Albert Vann, and no one in our midst would be more sadly missed if away.

The writer attended the Children's day exercises and missionary meeting at Pinners church first Sunday in August. There was a large congregation, but to us the scenes seemed unnatural. The pillars of that old church of only a few brief years ago have nearly all passed to that bourne from whence no traveler ever returns. The once familiar faces of William Brown, Jere Carter, Wiley Bryan, Noah Brown, Nat Baugham, Exum Outland and "Aunt Patia" Outland, Sallie Bryant, Nancy Baugham and some others are no longer seen. Mrs. Thos Boyce, and Mrs. Sallie J. Baugham, of the order, members alone were present. They and Mr. Thomas Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gay, of the regular attendants, are the connecting links of a glorious past for old Pinners. The love and fidelity of Mrs. Sallie Baugham and Mr. and Mrs. Gay for that old church is strong and touching, and should inspire the younger members to greater exertions to keep the fires on the altar of the church burning brightly. Let not the exhortations of the good old people who were once such familiar figures in the "amen corners" be forgotten.

Fine Pecan Trees.

Mr. W. E. Clifton, S. A. Lin agent at Rich Square, has some of the finest young pecan trees growing on the railroad line we have seen. A year ago the Seaboard managers sent each station agent a lot of pecans with instructions to plant them on railroad land at the stations. Mr. Clifton prepared the ground well for his trees and now, one year later, he has trees four and a half feet high. He has one row of twelve trees planted 50 feet apart, that are growing nicely. He has given them good attention. What other station can beat this?

Did Not Apply For License.

First week in August petitions were circulated in this vicinity for and against liquor license. When the party who wanted license found that the sentiment was overwhelmly against a licensed barroom here he withdrew his petition, thereby showing that he was willing for the majority to rule. We have not heard of half a dozen people who declined to sign the petition against license, and of no hard feelings engendered on account of the petition. This is a good showing for the people of Rich Square and vicinity.

THE PHILIPPINE QUESTION

Great Principles Involved—Dangers of Adopting the Gunpowder Gospel—The right Course.

The New York Independent recently published an article on the Philippine question from the pen of W. J. Bryan, in which Mr. Bryan says:

"The Philippine question is important because fundamental principles are involved in its discussion. There are two sources of government, force and consent. Monarchies are founded upon force, republics upon consent.

"The declaration of independence asserts that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed and the exact doctrines to which we have adhered for more than a century. It is the doctrine which has distinguished us from European countries and has made our nation the hope of humanity. The statue in New York harbor typifies the nation's mission.

"If the doctrine set forth in the declaration of independence is sound, how can we rightfully acquire sovereignty over the Philippines by a war of conquest. If the doctrine set forth in the declaration of independence is sound, how can we rightfully purchase sovereignty from a Spanish sovereign whose title was disputed in Cuba, and whose rebellious subjects were armed in the Philippines.

"In the revolution of intervention, congress declared that the Cubans were and of right ought to be free. Why? Because government derives their just powers from the consent of the governed, and Spain had refused to respect the wishes of the Cubans. If the Cubans were and of right ought to be free, why not the Filipinos?

"In the beginning of the Spanish war congress denied that our nation had any thought of extending its territory by war. If we then had no thought of securing by conquest new territory, in the western hemisphere, why should we now talk of securing in the eastern hemisphere new races for subjugation?

"An individual may live a double life when only one life is. When both lives are known we can lead only one life and that the worst. A republic cannot enter upon a colonial policy. It cannot advocate government by consent at home and government by force abroad. The declaration of independence will lose its value when we proclaim the doctrine familiar to Europe, but detestable here, that governments are round in shape, about thirteen inches in diameter and fired out of cannon.

"For more than a century this country has been traveling along the pathway which leads from low domain of might to the lofty realms of right and its history has been without a parallel in the annals of recorded time. What will be our fate if we turn backward and begin the descent towards force and conquest?

"It is not sufficient to say that the forcible acquisition of the Philippines is a benevolent undertaking for the good of the Filipinos. Lincoln pointed out that this has always been the argument of kings. To use his words they always bestrode the necks of the people, not that they wanted to do it, but because the people were better off for being ridden."

"It is surprising that any believer in self government should favor forcible action, but still more surprising that any one who believes in the Christian religion should favor the substitution of force for reason in the extension of our nation's influence.

"If we adopt the gunpowder gospel in the Philippines how long will it be before that principle will be transplanted in American soil? So long as our arguments are addressed to reason and the heart our progress is sure, but can we without danger to Christianity resort to the ancient plan of injecting religion into the body through bullet holes?"

"The question is frequently asked, what can we? Nearly two

months elapsed between the signing of the treaty and the beginning of hostilities in the Philippines. During that time the president and congress might have given to the Filipinos the same assurances of independence that was given to the Cubans. Such assurances would have prevented bloodshed. If the doctrine of self-government is sound the Filipinos are entitled to govern themselves, and the president can now promise them independence as soon as a stable government can be secured.

"The president is not willing to take the responsibility of enforcing the doctrine set forth in the declaration of independence, he can call congress together and let them take the responsibility. A special session would be less expensive than the war, not to speak of the principles involved.

"Our nation is protecting the republics of South America from outward interference while they work out their destiny. We can extend the same doctrine to the Philippines, and having rescued the inhabitants from a foreign yoke, we can guarantee them from molestation, while may develop a republic in the orient. They will be our friends instead of our enemies; we can send our teachers to Manila instead of soldiers, and they would know that there is a reality in the theory of government promulgated at Independence Hall and defended by the blood of the revolutionary fathers."

Capt. Day Talks of the Prison.

Captain Day, the superintendent of the prison, yesterday said in the course of an interview relative to this matter:

"Yes, I am opposed to the penitentiary purchasing any land at all, and I think a mistake will be made if the Caledonia farm is purchased by the board. I am opposed to the purchase of this farm.

"First, because the convicts can be more profitably employed in other business.

"Second, because there is no wood on the Caledonia farm and the State would have to buy all the fuel used at the farm.

"We have offers from railroad contractors to take 300 convicts regularly. Under our present contract we have got to work 100 convicts at the Tillery farm. Sixty convicts are reported in the brick yard, 30 in the mattress factory, 65 in the shirt factory and 65 in the machine and shoe departments and the kitchen at the Central Prison. This makes necessary the employment of 620 convicts.

"There are about 900 State convicts in the penitentiary and the number is decreasing yearly, because the counties are using more and more every year in building and improving the roads. With regular employment for 620 convicts there would be few able-bodied men left out of a total of 900, men women many of whom are in the hospitals and incapacitated for work. The State would be unable to operate a 7,000 acre farm like the Caledonia.

"The State ought not to raise one dollar's worth of products. Farming is not profitable at the best. All the penitentiary needs is to raise wheat, corn, vegetables and hogs. In other words, meat and bread for the institution.

"There are about 1,000 convicts at work on the public roads in the State and the number is continually increasing. Very few convicts are received now from the large counties, such as Wake, Mecklenburg, Buncombe and New Hanover. These counties work their convicts improving the public roads."

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Fair Play.

[Wilmington Messenger.]

The A. and M. college at Raleigh has done three proper things thus far under the new order. The abolition of the preparatory department, the initiatory steps in perfecting the new textile department, and the appointment of our townsman Bradley T. Wooten as military instructor. He is well qualified and will prove faithful and efficient. There is another thing that might be considered. To get rid of the attendance of females as soon as possible. If the Raleigh state school is open to them give the boys a chance and open the Greensboro school to them. Turn about is fair play.

Road Work With Jail Birds A Success.

[Scotland Neck Commonwealth.]

For some weeks Mr. W. F. Parker, chairman of the Board of county commissioners, has had a squad of eight jail birds working the roads near Enfield. It is an experiment with Mr. Parker and whose utility some doubted; but Mr. Parker thought that if they could be put to work on the roads with about the same cost to the county, it would be an economy that ought to be regarded. He says now that Enfield offers \$80 for them for one month; and they will be hired to that town for that time.

Mr. Parker says they have done some good work and thinks it the very best solution of the question about what to do with criminals sentenced to jail as a punishment for crime.

The Commonwealth has all the while thought that strong men ought not to lie in jail, grow sleek and fat at the county's expense and do nothing.

We believe this is a step in the right direction, and we hope to see it encouraged by the people of the county generally.

The Most Vital Question.

[From Windsor Ledger.]

In almost every county and town in North Carolina the people are making an effort to improve their county roads, and are investing their capital in manufactures that will keep their money at home, paying them safe and sure incomes, and giving employment to their young people. We cannot understand why our people do not manifest some interest in this subject. It seems to us the most vital question of the present time. We have in our midst a number of young men of good moral habits, with a good practical education, willing and anxious to invest their young blood and energy in any enterprise that will in the future give fair prospects of a living. Will you give them an opportunity of will you drive them away to some more enterprising town where their abilities will be appreciated. There is idle money enough in Bertie county to give every citizen employment and make every home happy. There is no reason why Windsor should not become the most important town in eastern North Carolina, if our people will only interest themselves in their own interest. The businessmen of Norfolk who control the trade of Bertie county today are men driven away from home for want of encouragement. Two of Bertie county boys are now investing thousands of dollars in an opera-house and hotel at Portsmouth Va., while the people of Windsor must be content with a ten cent show in a hall the entrance of which is the rear of a bar-room and lighted with a lantern hung on a post at the corner of a pig pen.

Hard Luck

Here are some of the terrible things which according to a county exchange, are likely to befall a delinquent: Last week a delinquent subscriber said that he would pay up Saturday if he lived. He's dead. Another: "I'll see you tomorrow." He's blind. Still another one said: "I hope to pay you this week or go to the devil." He's gone. There are hundreds who ought to take warning by these procrastinations and pay up their subscriptions now. —Jery Simpson's Bayonet.

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Janie has left us, gone in the glorious promise of her young womanhood, flown like a beautiful vision of the dawn, robed in the sunshine's glorious beams. All that skilled physicians and loving hands could do, was done but could not stay the summons of that messenger, who claims all seasons for his own, for as a star she faded away from earth. While the earth was wrapped in slumber, her spirit more beautiful still winged its way to brighter lands, and where she now is singing with the redeemed the sweet hymns she loved so much to sing.

When we think of the light fading from her beautiful eyes and the cheek losing its bloom, from intense pain and the dews of death gathering on the marble-like brows, and the last parting breath escaping the bloodless lips, we can but ask in the anguish of our souls, "Why should she die?"

How valuable is that religion which enables the relatives and friends to raise the veil of the tomb and look into the great beyond and behold Janie, happy among the white winged Seraphs that surround the throne of God. Its sad to think that we have seen her for the last time, no more to hear the silvery cadence of her sweet voice, never to be with her this side of the blessed homes of the pure and good. Janie has left us, yet she will live in the sorrowing hearts of those who loved her.

Calmly and peacefully she passed away in life's morning bidding each one present good bye and asking them to meet her at the Cross.

Years will roll silently on, seasons will come and go, yet the influence of her gentle spirit will hover around us warning us to be always ready "for in such an hour as ye think not the final summons cometh."

"Oh, the glad reunions there! Oh the songs that never cease! Happy saints are gathering where Naught can mar the perfect peace!"

N. L. B.

Guilford College, N. C.

A Mother Tells How She Saved Her Little Daughter's Life.

I am the mother of eight children and have had a great deal of experience with medicine. Last summer my little daughter had the dysentery in the worst form. We thought she would die. I tried everything I could think of, but nothing seemed to do her any good. I saw by an advertisement in our paper that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was highly recommended and sent and got a bottle at once. It proved to be one of the very best medicines we ever had in the house. It saved my little daughter's life. I am anxious for every mother to know what an excellent medicine it is. Had I known it at first it would have saved a great deal of anxiety and my little daughter much suffering.—Yours truly, Mrs. Geo. F. Burdick, Liberty, R. I.

For sale by John Baugham.

It Tells in Time.

People often say this man had drunk whiskey, that man has smoked, and the other man has chewed tobacco forty or fifty years, and he is well and hale and hearty. But they do not tell how many others have done the same thing and are dead and buried long ago; nor do they tell how many of the man's children have been laid in untimely graves, as a result of his evil and vicious habits. "Unto the third and fourth generation," is the descending curse extended, and not till four generations are passed are we able to estimate the full consequences of parental iniquity. "We learned the other day," says the Herald and Presbyterian,

"of a man who boasted that he had taken a bottle of wine every day fifty years, and had never been injured by it. But of his twelve children six died in infancy, one was idiotic, one became insane, and the other four grew up to be nervous invalids. Men find it impossible to get away from the old law laid down thousands of years ago, that God visits the iniquity of the fathers upon the children." It is a terrible thing for the father to commit sins for which their children will have to pay the penalty, but men are doing so on every hand. —Selected.

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