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POLETON LOCALS.

Cotton was badly damaged by the recent gales that hailed from the Hatteras capes. Corn suffered less, and, encouraged by the copious rain of the last few days, will render bounteous compensation for the laborious efforts of our industrious husbandmen.

A debate on the moral development and progress of the United States was held in the school building Friday night. The subject was well handled. D. W. Smith E-q., and Mr. E. W. Flake were the principal disputants in the discussion.

Miss Fannie Lou Caudle, of Greenville, S. C. and Miss Annie Davis, of Rockingham, were guests of Misses Rona Lee and May Caudle, last week.

Mr. Booker Winfree and his sister, Miss Ina, spent several days last week with Mrs. Julia Cameron and family.

Mr. Ray Kiker one of the energetic young men of Burnsville, left Monday morning for the A. & M. College.

C. Wayne Teal starts to day for Lenoir College.

Messrs. Ernest Godwin and Ramon Maske spent several days last week at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. W. A. Gaddy made a business trip to Charlotte, Tuesday.

Miss Lizzie Harris opened a subscription school, Monday. The attendance is good. Miss Harris is a graduate of Littleton Female College, and is well prepared for the work of the school room.

Mr. Earl Watson and Miss Annie Watson of Cheraw, S. C., spent last Sunday evening with Mr. A. L. Caudle.

W. F. Humbert, last week, moved the old granary and store room that pressed hard on the public road at Clyfton Oaks, to a more convenient location. The building was erected by Peter May long before civil war enshrouded the hills of Carolina with the smoke and flame of battle. The old oak still stands—a voiceless historian of the days when the pioneer's gun rang out in the primeval woods, and the axman had not yet begun to battle with the giants of the forest.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Of the different things that contribute to progress of pupils in school, time is the most important.

Business men and all others realize the importance of this element of time when dealing with general business matters, but often they do not see it is equally true when applied to school matters. The business man or farmer who is at his place of duty on time and keeps everlastingly at it is sure to win. The pupil who comes the first day of school and applies himself diligently sooner or later must succeed. The farmer who loses his nerve when the grass is thick and everything seems to go wrong, when he has to plow up his crop and plant again or fail entirely, will never succeed. Sometimes rains and other things compel a good farmer to lose his crops. He, too, though he has done all he can, has to plow up and plant again. Occasionally replanting will do. Through the misfortune of sickness, or through the lack of sticking qualities, a few pupils have to stay in the same grade or plow up and plant again. Many are able to replant and get fairly good results. It is impossible in any line of work for two days' or two months' work to be done in one day or one month. The pupil may continue with the class and seemingly there is no loss if it is a studious pupil who attends regularly, but there is always a loss. The time used in trying to make up back work is needed on that day's lesson.

This is written simply to call parents' attention to the fact that if they would have their children do well in school they should help to teach them this very important lesson of beginning the first day and keeping everlastingly at it. Will you not do your part, though it may be a sacrifice, by having your child in school the very first hour?

J. H. McIVER.

Pot County Officers on Salary.

Correspondence of the M. & I.

Why should Anson county join the procession of other counties of the State in abolishing the fee system for county officers? Because by so doing saving, estimated at \$5,000, in expenses can be effected. Taxes to the amount of \$5,000 are quite an item with pockets of the citizens. A fair remuneration to the clerk, sheriff and other officers can be paid and yet save the people, say, \$5,000.

There are numbers of good men in our county who would discharge the duties of the clerk for \$100 per month yearly salary, \$1,200 for sheriff, 1,000 for assessor, 800 for auditor, 400 for recorder, 250 for constable.

Total \$3,650

It is informed that the fees of the officers equal and probably exceed the \$3,650.

What say you, brother taxpayers? Representative is elected to enact laws for the good of the county and he will comply with your wishes. Agitate this matter, and let the people see wherein their interest lies.

A TAXPAYER.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Corrielle Parsons, of Rockingham, is visiting Miss Connie Moss.

Mrs. J. J. Dunlap and Mrs. Sam Houston went to Elerbe Springs this morning.

Mr. P. B. Matheson went to Portsmouth last night.

Mrs. Egeenia Lee, who has been visiting relatives in Caswell county, has returned home.

Miss Rosa Moore, teacher of the high school department of the graded school, arrived Tuesday from her home at Farmville.

Mrs. Prentiss Cox has entered school at Wake Forest College.

Misses Emma and Hanna Maness, of the Savannah neighborhood, are visiting the family of their uncle, Mr. J. D. Mills.

Capt. Lucas, of Chester, S. C., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. T. B. Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas, who have been visiting relatives here and in the country, will leave tomorrow night for their home at Newport News.

Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Horton and daughter, Eleanor, will return tonight from Shelby, where they have been spending some time with relatives.

Mrs. Lillian Ritch and daughter, Miss Rebecca, who have been spending some time in the western part of the State, returned home last night.

Miss Corrie Byrd, who has been visiting friends in Gullede township, has returned to her home in Lilesville township.

Miss Mary Robinson, of the faculty of the State Normal College, left this morning for Greensboro. Anson will be represented at the Normal this year by Misses Alice Morrison and Ina Winfree, of Wadesboro, and Miss Mary McQueen, of Morven.

Booker Winfree, Keith Keller and Law Boylin, of Wadesboro, Robert Harrison, of Morven, and William Little of White Store, left Tuesday for Raleigh to enter the A. & M. College.

Mrs. C. F. Howze and Miss Jennie B. Brent have returned from Morven, where they spent several weeks. Master Frank Little came with them.

Mr. S. S. Richardson, who lives near Monroe, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Bennett.

Misses Grace Austin, of Wadesboro; Louise Gaddy, of Ansonville; Jane Mar Liles, of Lilesville, and Mabel Bennett, of Polkton have entered school at the Presbyterian College, Charlotte.

Misses Janie Gullede and Bessie Ledbetter will leave Tuesday or Wednesday of next week for Greensboro Female College.

Miss Myrtle McRae commenced teaching a subscription school at Cedar Hill Monday.

Messrs. L. D. Robinson and L. B. Williams are attending court at Rockingham this week.

Miss Bell Bailey has returned from Chester, S. C., where she spent some time with relatives.

Miss Eleanor Robinson is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Robinson, of the Bethel neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McLendon and Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Blalock spent Tuesday in Mt. Gilead.

Mrs. Hellen Hendley, of Ansonville township, returned a few days ago from the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma, where she spent some time visiting relatives. Mrs. Simington, who was Miss Ann Eliza Mabane, of Cedar Hill, before her marriage, returned with Mrs. Hendley and is visiting relatives in the county.

The family of Mr. J. W. Odom have returned to town from Rocky River Springs.

Miss Ida Morrison, of Rockingham, is visiting Mrs. H. W. Little. Archie Morrison left this morning for Davidson College.

Misses Bettie and Mollie Jones, of Gullede township, are visiting relatives at Whitney.

Mr. R. M. McPhail, an attorney of Rockingham, is spending the day here.

Miss Sallie Bowman, of Monticello, Fla., who has been visiting relatives in Anson, has gone to Whitney to spend some time with friends.

Miss Allie May Burns will leave next week for Peace Institute, Raleigh.

Miss Julia Lockhart will leave the first of next week for Elizabeth College, Charlotte.

Mrs. Mollie Jones and daughter, Miss Mattie, of Gullede township, are visiting relatives in Charlotte.

Mr. Jas. Leak left last night for Bligham School, Asheville.

BETHEL DOTS

Little Miss Gladys Bowman returned home Saturday after a week's visit to her aunts, Miss Glennie McLaughlin and Mrs. W. R. A. Hanna.

THE BEST PLAY YET

"Among the Breakers," Presented to a Large Audience at Morven Tuesday Night—The Play will be Given at Lilesville Tonight

Correspondence of the M. & I.

On last Tuesday evening it was my good fortune to witness the play, "Among the Breakers," as presented by local talent at Morven. It was a beautiful night and a large and appreciative audience filled the auditorium. It has been our pleasure to witness numbers of really excellent plays, but we must class this among the best that we have seen by local talent. The general verdict of the audience was that it was the best ever given in Morven, and when announcement was made that it would be reproduced at Lilesville on Thursday evening (tonight) people began planning at once to go and see it a second time. In fact already a large crowd has made arrangements to go.

The scene of the play is in the house of a light keeper and opens with two Irish characters, Larry and Biddy, in the persons of Mr. Havey Connelly and Miss Mary Bell May. They have a few smash ups and create no little merriment. With the entrance of Mother Carey (Miss Carrie McQueen) begins the mystery. She plays her part of a fortune teller well all through, revealing her true self in the last few moments. The fun begins in earnest when "Scud" (Mr. L. S. Jeffords), the colored comedian, enters. By his antics and comic sayings he keeps the audience in an uproar of laughter. Bruce Carter's part is that of a refined and wealthy gentleman, which Mr. J. L. Little plays well. Another character that plays a similar part, but that of a young man, is Clarence Hunter. In this role Mr. C. P. Freeman successfully presses his suit before Bess Starbright (Miss May McQueen) the heroine of the play. Both she and Minnie Daze (Miss Allen Lowery), who is in Bruce Hunter's shipwrecked party, play their parts well. Another very amusing incident is the dilemma that Mr. Paragon gets into when he proposes to Bess in the presence of Minnie, to whom he is already engaged. Mr. King Haxton plays this part fine. Probably one of the strongest characters in the play is the villain, David Hunter, Mr. Jas. E. Johnson. He seeks revenge for fancied wrongs but sees his error, confesses his crime and is forgiven. The play closes with the revelation of the true character of Mother Carey, the happy restoration of a husband to his wife and a son and daughter to their parents, and the joyful union of several happy couples.

JURORS FOR OCTOBER COURT.

The only business of general interest transacted by the county commissioners Monday was drawing a jury for October term of civil court. The following named persons were drawn:

FIRST WEEK.
D L McInyre, V C Harkey, J L Cagle, Jap H Martin, H C Baumon, Jack Edlins, B H Hutchison, Henry Tyson, F E Covington, D F Covington, Robt. M Flowers, J M Brower, P Z Seago, J David Newton, C W Tucker, C A Pifer, A K Watts, Sol Williams.

SECOND WEEK.
Martin I Shepherd, A S Ross, W M Tyson, J T Collins, Ronnie C Allen, W W Bennett, Thos. D Huntley, W B Hancock, Wm. I Paul, J E Boyette, E A Faulkner, Robert Atkinson, D R Dunlap, W F Hunsucker, L B Rivers, H A Gullede, Daniel Gatewood, A J Adams.

BLEWETT FALLS AND WALL TOWN PERSONALS

Miss Martha Wall, daughter of Mrs. John T. Wall, left Monday for Charlotte, where she will attend the graded school this winter.

Mr. Battle Wall left for Warrenton Thursday to enter Warrenton High School.

Mrs. John Nettles and little son, who have been visiting Mrs. John T. Wall, left Monday for home in Dillon, S. C.

Miss Lucy Cobb, of High Point will arrive at Blewett Falls Friday, to spend some days with her friend, Mrs. John T. Wall. She will then go to Laurinburg, where she expects to teach this winter.

Mrs. H. T. Spencer and daughter, Miss Winnie, left Wednesday for Middleburgh, Va. Mrs. Spencer will visit her sister, Mrs. Frank Gage, Miss Winnie will attend school at Middleburgh this winter.

Mrs. John McAister, Miss Belle Spencer and little nephew, William, have just returned from South Carolina, where they have been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Spencer.

The Misses Thompson, from Orangeburg, S. C., have been visiting their cousin, Mrs. B. L. Wall.

Miss Jessie Kendall of Whartown has been spending a few days with Miss Jidia Garris.

Beginning with the opening of the graded school Monday morning we will give with each 5c pencil tablet bought of us, one good lead pencil. This offer good for 10 days. Tablets will not be sold under this offer at 6 for 25 cents. PARSONS DRUG CO.

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Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as executor of the will of the late Ann E. Liles, we hereby request all persons indebted to her estate to settle with Julius S. Liles at once, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to him on or before September 30th, 1919, or this notice will be filed in bar of their payment. September 1st, 1919.

A. A. MAYNARD, JUNIUS S. LILES, Executors.

NOTICE TO COTTON GRWJERS.

After a thorough overhauling, and putting in much new and up-to-date machinery, we are now prepared fully to gin your cotton, buy your seed and grind your grain. We are in position to do first class work, and will try to satisfy our customers.

Farmers Gin Company,

Lilesville, N. C.

As the M. & I. is quite popular in this county, and I suppose that, like all other respectable newspapers, you have a waste basket of prodigious dimensions, I will send you some notes.

Court is in session and Rockingham is full to overflowing. Messrs. L. D. Robinson, of Wadesboro, and Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, are here assisting in prosecuting and defending in murder cases, of which there are three.

Tuesday morning, just after Jack Leak, colored, had been sentenced to two years for horse breaking, there was a great commotion in the court room and on the streets, supposed to be a team running away, which broke up court for the time. It proved to be Jack, who had jumped out of a second story window. He was chased by several dozen men, but escaped, saying, "Good-bye; this is better than two years."

Merchants have bought heavy stocks of goods and are very busy preparing for the biggest trade they have had in several years. Crops are fine, prices are good, and you have to give the road to the farmer. The large forces of hands employed on the two railroads being built in the county are receiving good wages. The merchants can hardly get salesmen to wait on their customers. The farms, mills and other places have been drawn upon for their bright boys. Some are willing to work for small wages with what little they can pick up, while others command good prices. Fancy prices have been offered and refused for salesmen and bookkeepers. Then the mills will soon be running on full time, which will add \$7,000 or \$8,000 a month to the circulating fund.

Cotton mill workers have been hit harder than any other class of people by the Taft panic. They have been running on short time with very little, if any, increase in wages, and have to buy everything at inordinate high prices.

Robert No. 1 has a tremendous lot of cotton on hand, but orders are coming in rapidly, and the officers are by no means out of heart, judging from the improvements they are making to their property. They are tearing down tenement houses and building bigger, painting, planting flowers and hedges, looking after sanitary conditions, and doing everything for the comfort and convenience of their operatives. Robert 1 is the best mill town in the state to live in. I haven't time to speak of all her advantages. Her people are hospitable to all, even to deadbeats and loafers. One of the best of high schools is located there. The present session opened two weeks ago with about 125 students. Prof. Lansford, of Burke, is the principal. He is assisted by Mr. C. L. Wicker, of Robert 1, and two young ladies. They have a literary and debating society which meets on Friday evenings. The town and community also have one which meets in the Woodmen's hall on Thursday nights.

A site for a new town has been laid off in the northern part of the county on the Page road. Streets have been opened up, and 160 lots, which will be sold at auction soon, staked off. A beautiful town will spring up rapidly after the road is completed to that place, which I presume will be called Sprays. A good number of lots have already been purchased at good prices by prominent business men, farmers, truckers and speculators. It is proposed to form a new county from parts of Moore, Montgomery and Richmond, with Spraul for the county seat. When the roads are completed it will be on a direct line from north to south. For fruit raising it is one of the finest sections to be found. Soon large orchards will be planted, and all that section, which has been lying dormant for many years, will blossom as a rose.

Mr. Alfred Baldwin, well known in Wadesboro, owns valuable property near there, and probably will be one of the first settlers. I suggest his name as the first mayor of Spraul.

In our case these random thoughts. Here come Mrs. McInnis and John D. Covington in their new automobiles on their way to the good roads convention. Keep cool, brethren; keep cool.

To Close Out

Having gone out of the livery business, we have several excellent Buggies and a number of sets of Harness we will sell at bargains. If you need a buggy or a set of harness this is your opportunity.

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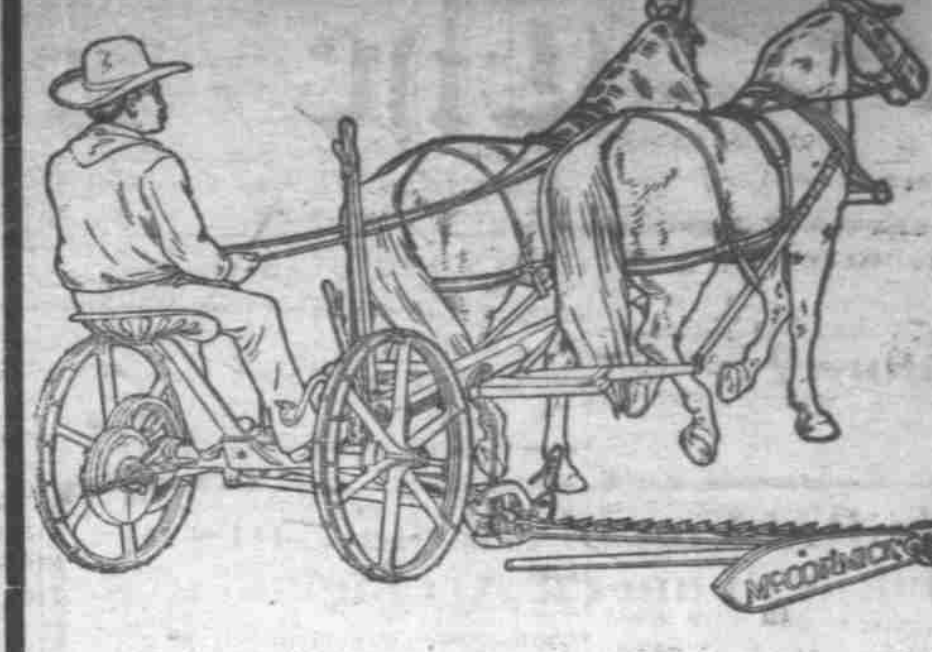
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Possibly he uses it one season. Next year he wants a new blade, some guards, an M448 or a G111. If the party is in business that he bought it from he probably goes to him for repairs and says: "I want so and so." "Well, I will have to telegraph to Kalamazoo for them; 75c for telegram, please; express 90c." "My land! man, that eats a fellow up. How soon can I get them?" "Three or four days," says the dealer. "What? Why, my grass needs cutting now."

If that farmer had purchased a McCormick Mower of us he would have no trouble to get his repairs, besides having one of the best if not the best mower on the market.

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Some agent will be glad to supply you with McCormick repairs just as long as you live. The factory that makes them will be making them ages from now. Should Blalock Hardware Co. burn out or go out of business, plenty of people would be glad to take up the Agency for the McCormick, why, they would even telegraph for the agency should we drop it.

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