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EDITORIAL.

THE CONCERT.

Exercises of the Carthage High School.

On Friday afternoon last about 2 o'clock we shook off all business cares, and after a few minutes' walk found ourselves before Carthage's new Academy. There we found a considerable number in attendance of us, and whom were seated, patiently awaiting the beginning of the closing Concert of the Carthage High School, it having been previously announced that owing to the lengthy programme, a portion of the exercises would be gone through that afternoon. And we had not long to wait, for very soon Prof. M. McG. Shields, one of the principals, appeared on the stage, and in a few brief, concise remarks stated that the people must not expect any great things, from the fact that they had gotten up the exercises very hurriedly and without sufficient practice, they having been crowded into small, badly arranged quarters during the past session, on account of the repairs which their school building had undergone, etc. Then, for about an hour, the audience was highly entertained with some fine music, both instrumental and vocal, and some good declaiming. After which it was announced that the night exercises would begin at 7 1/2 o'clock.

At night—We, anticipating a large crowd, long before the appointed hour, went thither that we might secure a comfortable seat, but upon reaching the Academy found nearly every available seat occupied, as well as all the standing room. The large building was densely packed with people from every direction—far and near, and the audience was estimated to number not less than 500. Promptly at 7 1/2 o'clock Mr. J. F. Cole, principal No. 2, mounted the rostrum, and in a few well chosen words, welcomed the large audience, and explained the disadvantages under which they had labored in preparing for the concert. And this being the opening the exercises were entered into in earnest, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, declamations, dialogues, charades, &c., &c. From Mr. Cole's opening remarks, we did not expect the concert to equal the average, but in that instance he proved himself "a guy old deceiver," for never has it been our pleasure to attend the closing exercises of any school that redounded more to the credit of both teachers and pupils.

Messrs. Shields & Cole have undertaken the tedious and arduous task of "teaching the young idea to shoot," and it is clearly evident that their labors have not been in vain. Mrs. Mary C. Bagwell is their music teacher, and from the musical part of the exercises no one could fail to see that she had spared no efforts to advance her scholars, and that she is the equal of any music instructor in the State.

The young ladies all performed their allotted parts so well that it would be useless for us to attempt to decide which excelled. Now, when the boys are under consideration, we do not find it so hard to arrive at a decision. They all did splendidly, we think either Mr. M. A. McLeod (aged about 13) or Master Charlie Cole (about 13) is entitled to the medal. The exercises closed about 10 o'clock, with a short speech by Prof. Shields in which he expressed

thanks to the large and appreciative audience for their presence and kindly attention. Among other things he said, they were assured of a larger attendance at the Spring Term 1888 of their school than ever before; that their school building would then be completed and that every facility for thorough instruction would be afforded; that hereafter music would be taught in the same building, etc.

The citizens of Carthage, we do not doubt, are proud of their handsome new Academy, but they should be even prouder of this most excellent school built up in their midst by these efficient young educators. We bid them God-speed, and may their school grow to be the peer of any preparatory school in the State.

Senator Vance has thus early introduced a bill to abolish the abominable Civil Service Law. God for our "Zeb!" Civil Service is a veritable humbug.

On the second page we present our readers with the President's Message to the 50th Congress in full, and commend a careful perusal of it to all who are interested in honest government.

It is said that a Northern Representative in the House will introduce a bill giving the Government power to banish all Anarchists who advise, encourage or aid in the destruction of property. It is a law badly needed.

The several factions of the Republican State Executive Committee met in Raleigh last week. They repaired the breach in their ranks, and complete harmony was restored. This means that if the Democrats don't work and work as never before they will find themselves sadly left in the next general election. The Democrats can not any longer afford to allow personal differences to interfere with their party fealty, if they wish to carry the State next November.

Congress has gotten down to business and bills are being introduced at a rapid rate. Among them, we notice thousands of petitions from every section of the country have been presented, praying the Congress to increase the compensation of fourth class postmasters. And it does seem only just and right that they should be better paid. They do more work, for less money, and get less thanks for what they do, and more abuse for dereliction of duty, than any other set of the government's employees.

In the Supreme Court last week, the opinion in the Giersch case was filed. Our readers probably remember that last summer, the Commissioners of Wake County granted license to Giersch to sell wine and beer in Raleigh township, although the vote there was in favor of prohibition. The ruling of the Judge in the Superior Court was reversed, and the main question in the opinion was whether the term "spirituous liquors" includes wine and beer, and the Court holds that it does, saying that the intention of the General Assembly was, not only, to prohibit the sale of whiskey, etc., but also wine and beer. Raleigh is again a dry town.

"Senator Chandler has introduced a bill to regulate the holding of Congressional elections in South Carolina, Florida, Mississippi, and Louisiana. It provides for the appointment by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, of four supervisors of elections for each Congressional District in the States to which the measure applies, who are required to subdivide the districts into a sufficient number of voting precincts. In each precinct the U. S. Circuit Court is to appoint four inspectors and 2 poll clerks, who are to make registration of voters and conduct

Congressional elections. The supervisors are to act as a canvassing board, to receive returns from inspectors and ascertain and declare the result of the election."

For unbridled audacity, the above bill takes the cake. Its introduction is a gross insult to the people of the South, and its passage would mean an usurpation of their rights to "a free ballot and a fair count," and would be virtually a return to reconstruction days. And its passage for the four states named, would but be the forerunner of a similar bill embracing the entire South. Chandler would, no doubt, like to republianize the entire South in this manner, but he will find that his pill is too large for the South to swallow. Our people will submit to no such radical tyranny. But we do not think there is any need for alarm, for it is not probable that it will pass the Senate, and certainly not the House.

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Best Seed Tick Coffee, at 25c

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I also have in stock Pickles, Pig Feet, Souse, Tripe, Flour, Leather, and in fact, every article usually found in a first-class Grocery.

XMAS GOODS.

Santa Claus' Headquarters!

MUSIC BOXES, TOILET SETS, DRESSING CASES, ALBUMS & CO., & C.

Fire Crackers, Roman Candles, Sky Rockets, &c.

Plain and Fancy Candies in abundance and cheap as dirt.

Among other things, I have Mr and Mrs. Cleveland's "Bad Luck Fishing."

Give me a call before purchasing your Christmas goods.

S. M. JONES.

Dissolution.

The firm heretofore existing under the name of S. M. Jones & Co., is this day dissolved, by mutual consent. S. M. Jones is authorized to settle up all business, and all parties indebted to the said firm are requested to make immediate payment.

S. M. JONES, O. S. JONES, Dec. 1, 1887.

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Chatterboxes, Books for the Babies, Books for the Boys and Girls, Books for sweetheart and friend, Books for the Old Folks, A big line of Gift Books,

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ALBUMS, CALENDARS, GOLD PENS, FANCY PAPERS, IVORINE CARDS, FANCY BRASS GOODS, German plate mirrors and lots of NEW THINGS for Xmas

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McIVER & DALRYMPLE, JONESBORO, N. C. Dec. 6-11.

LAND SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in each of the mortgages hereinafter named, the undersigned, as Executors of the last will and Testament of E. N. Moffitt, dec'd, will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Carthage, N. C., on Monday, 16th day of January, 1888 the several tracts of land in Moore County, known and designated as follows, to wit:

One tract known as the Davis land, adjoining the lands of heirs-at-law of Wm. Moon and others, and

One tract on McCullum's Fork, adjoining the lands of Joseph Cuddell and others, containing 20 acres, more or less. Each of said tracts to be sold by virtue of a mortgage deed executed to E. N. Moffitt, dec'd, on 24th day of April 1882 by J. M. Davis, for description of which land, see said mortgage deed, book 52, p. 582.

36 acres, more or less, on Buffalo creek, adjoining the lands of Thos. B. Eggle, John Ritter and others, and

36 acres, more or less, adjoining the former tract. Each tract to be sold by virtue of a mortgage deed executed to E. N. Moffitt, dec'd, on 24th day of April 1882, by Thos. McLeod and wife, for description of which land, see said mortgage as recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Moore county; book 53, p. 582.

42 acres, more or less, on Grassy creek for notes and bonds of which see mortgage deed from Lawrence Garner and wife Mary Ann Garner, to E. N. Moffitt, as recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Moore county; book 49, p. 68.

One tract on south side of of near creek, known as the Wm. Jones place, for notes and bonds of which, see mortgage from Thos. Murray to E. N. Moffitt, recorded in the office of Register of Deeds in Moore county in book 53, p. 91.

47 1/2 acres, more or less, adjoining the Clinton land on the site of the Fayetteville road, for notes and bonds of which, see mortgage executed to E. N. Moffitt on May 6, 1878 by David Williamson recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Moore county, books 43; 13. This Dec. 14, 1887.

E. E. MOFFITT, W. K. JACKSON, Executors.

LAND SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in each of the mortgages hereinafter named, the undersigned, as Executors of the last will and Testament of the late E. N. Moffitt, will sell to the highest bidder for cash on the premises the following described tracts of land, to wit:

20 acres, more or less, in Bitters township, adjoining the lands of Addison Ritter, Wm. Wallace and others, for description of which, see mortgage from Samuel Ritter and Rebecca Ritter, his wife, to E. N. Moffitt, recorded in the office of Register of Deeds of Moore county; Book 53, p. 526.

Time of Sale: Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 1888, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Three tracts on Cabin creek in Sheffield township, containing respectively 6, 5 1/2, 3 acres, for notes and bonds of which see mortgage from Malcom Moore and wife, to E. N. Moffitt, recorded in office Register of Deeds of Moore county; Book 58, p. 131.

Time of Sale: Thursday, Jan. 19th, 1888, at 12 o'clock, noon.

This Dec. 14, 1887.

E. E. MOFFITT, W. K. JACKSON, Executors.

LAND SALE.

By virtue of a power of sales contained in each of the mortgages named below, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court-house door in Carthage, N. C., on Monday, Jan. 16th, 1888, the following described lands in Moore county:

One tract on the fork of Cuyling creek, containing 20 acres and bounds of which, see mortgage from A. J. Williams and Catherine Williams his wife, to E. N. Moffitt, recorded in office Register of Deeds of Moore county; Book 58, p. 131.

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G. C. GRAVES & SANTA CLAUS.

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We sell School Books as Low as anybody else, any where. We keep in stock those adopted by N. C. board. We call special attention to our new line of fine paper, and other stationery articles, Dominicos, Chessmen, etc.

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All who are indebted to us will please take notice that we shall insist upon payment as fast as we may save an unpleasant visit from our collector. Respectfully.

Sanford, N. C., Oct. 26th, 1887.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, In the Superior Court of Moore County.

Summons for Relief.

McIntyre Kennedy against w. w. Brown, John Kelly, Jennie Kelly, Nancy Kelly, Wm. Webster and wife Isabella Webster.

State of North Carolina. To the Sheriff of Moore County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon John Kelly, Jennie Kelly, Nancy Kelly, Wm. Webster and wife Isabella Webster, the defendants above named, if they be found within your county, to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior Court at a Court to be held for the County of Moore at the court house in Carthage, on the 30th day of April 1888 and answer the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of said county within the first three days of the term, and let the said defendants take notice that if they fail to answer the said complaint, within the time required by law, the Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This action is brought by the plaintiff against the defendants to recover the possession of certain lands in Moore county formerly owned by K. B. Kelly, now in the possession of W. W. Brown.

Herein failed not and of this summons make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of said County, this 21st day of December 1887.

B. A. McLEOD, clerk of Superior Court of Moore Co.

Good Goods, Better Goods.

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When you come to town, always call on me and examine my stock before buying elsewhere.

I Guarantee Satisfaction

J. W. MYRICK, MANLY, N. C.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Having qualified as Executors of the last will and Testament of A. C. Berryman, deceased, the undersigned hereby notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said A. C. Berryman to present the same to them for payment within twelve months of this date, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

This November 29, 1887.

J. W. BERRYMAN, J. H. MANN, Executors.

W. E. Murchison, Atty.

that he has before, all of which I selected with much care and in regard to price buyers will find most liberal inducements in every department.

I have accepted the Agency for the sale of Ready-Made and Clothing to order for Messrs. Wamsutter & Brown of Philadelphia and have several hundred samples of the newest and most desirable patterns and material, and invite all to call and examine them.

H. A. FOSTER, Raleigh, N. C.