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## ONE THING TO BRAG ABOUT!

We are often out talked but never out done. We come to our friends and customers again. Thanking them for their very liberal patronage the first half of this year, which has more than doubled our expectations, we make you one faithful promise, that we will not only meet, but we will beat any prices that are offered you in the

### TOWN OF DUNN.

We Positively will not be undersold,

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Now listen. It is just six months to the

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worth of business. In order to do this we shall sell better goods for less money, FOR CASH, than anybody else. We are buying our goods for the cash, thus saving from 15 to 35 per cent. less than other people pay. So you see we can sell goods at what they cost other merchants and make a good profit.

As to quality of our goods they speak for themselves, so come in and have a talk with us. Well, we guess that you would like to know who it is that is doing all this talking, we are proud to tell you,

### THE MASSENGILL DRY

GOODS COMPANY,

Wholesale and retail dealers in

Dry goods, notions, clothing, shoes, hats, caps &c.

Gents' Furnishings a Specialty.

All kinds of tobacco men's supplies such as Lanterns, Thermometers, Twine etc. We don't charge any profit on these goods, but sell them for the accommodation of our customers.

Large line of fresh Groceries, Tobacco and Snuff.

We have with us this season the clever and wellknown salesmen Messrs. W. R. Marks and R. T. Surles, who will be glad to see their friends. Again thanking you and hoping you will make good crops and realize good prices.

We are yours to serve,

Massengill Dry Goods Co.,

Dunn, N. C.

Two Big Stores.

### Some State History.

Edenton an Old Historic Centre.

The Raleigh News & Observer is publishing a series of articles from William J. Leary, Sr., Esq., of Edenton, in its Sunday issues, and we find them full of historical interest and contain many things that the people of our own State should know. In the issue of the 2nd, Mr. Leary gives a little poem written by a Northern man on "Edenton Bay," and then writes:

The beauty of the town does not lie alone as stated in the beauty of its bay, but in its wide streets and beautiful shade trees as well. I will venture the statement that there is not a more beautiful street in America than Broad street with its three rows of elms in rich foliage forming perfect arches. There are many points of historic interest, among them the court house built of brick brought from England in which court was held in 1717 or 1718, and a session of the legislature in 1720, at which Edenton was named in honor of Charley Eden, who had been chosen Governor in 1713, and who came over in 1714. Governor Eden had by his popularity and grace won the good will of the people who, although the town had been established before, named it Edenton to show their appreciation of the man. The court house is in a fine state of preservation and, will compare favorably with some modern buildings. Strangers when gazing upon it can hardly realize its age. The Episcopal church was built of brick and in the same solid workmanship as that used in building the court house. Some say it was commenced in 1708; at any rate it was completed in 1735. It is a splendid old building, whose foundations were laid due east and west after the Oriental style. The records run back to 1701 and filled with many amusing things. The church yard has some old tombstones of ancient dates and rare inscriptions—among them the following: "In memory of Jeremiah Gallop, January 11, 1799. 'Remember me as you pass by; For as you are so once was I; as I am now so you must be; Prepare for death and follow me.'" John Davidson has also a stone to his memory dated November 12, 1753. It is a pleasant thing to spend several hours among these old records, tombstones and this well-shaded grave yard, the city of the dead—God's acre. Among the earlier buildings is one erected by Lord Granville for his land agent, Francis Corbin, in 1758, which is in good condition and stands the wear and tear of time wonderfully well. The house in which the mother of Allen G. Thurman (the noblest Roman of them all) lived still stands and is pointed out to strangers, and those who are interested in such things. In Masonic Lodge room is a curious relic—a chair with all the implements of masonry on it—hand-carved and made out of mahogany. It is a very valuable relic and its value will increase with time. This chair was presented by Lord Baltimore to the Alexandria Lodge in Virginia, and George Washington, the father of our country, sat in it when he was master of the lodge. The Johnston grave yard has many noted men buried in its precincts. Among them Senator Wilson, of Pennsylvania, who died while on a visit to his friend, Senator Johnson. I will close by reproducing the resolutions passed June 19, 1776, by the vestry of St. Paul's Parish, which I believe to be a record our people ought to be proud of, and which will be properly appreciated in the years to come. The resolutions read as follows:

"Be it remembered that the Freeholders of St. Paul's Parish met the sheriff, at the court house in Edenton on Monday, the 8th of April, then and there pursuant to an act of Assembly did elect the following persons to serve as vestrymen for one

years (agreeable to resolve of Provincial Congress held at Halifax the 2nd day of April, and justified agreeable thereto), viz.: Thomas Bonner, Wm. Boyd, Thomas Benby, Jacob Hunter, John Beasley, Wm. Bennett, Wm. Roberts, Richard Harkins, David Rice, Aaron Hill, Pelatiah Walton and Wm. Hinton, we the subscribers professing our allegiance to the King and acknowledging the constitutional executive of government, do solemnly profess, testify and declare that we do absolutely believe that neither the Parliament of Great Britain, nor any member or constitutional board thereof, having a right to impose tax upon these colonies, to regulate the internal policy thereof, and that all attempts by fraud or force to establish and exercise such claim and power on violations on the force and security of the people of this Province, simply and collectively are bound by the acts and resolutions of the continental and provisional congress, because as both they are freely represented by persons chosen by themselves and we do solemnly and sincerely promise and engage and the sanction of wisdom, honor and the same love of liberty and our country to maintain and support all and every the acts, resolutions of the said continental and provisional congress to the utmost of our power and ability. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands this 19th day of June, 1776."

Signed in their own proper hand-writing: Richard Haskins, David Rice, Aaron Hill, Pelatiah Walton, Wm. Hinton, Thomas Bonner, Wm. Boyd, Thomas Benby, Jacob Hinton, John Beasley, William Bennett, William Roberts. A trip to see all these things will be worth one's while and will be worth more than the out lay in pleasure, for I have not told the half of what the thought ful can realize.

### A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at McKay Bros. & Skinner's drug store.

### The Kentucky Delegate and the Colonel.

When the convention met yesterday there was a great thinning out of the faithful, who had not come to Louisville prepared to fight it out if it took all summer. Many of them long before yesterday morning were in a frame of mind and pocket to sympathize with Col. W., of Kentucky, who paid a visit to New York some ten or twelve years ago and put up at a European hotel. He bustled into an American plan hotel shortly afterward, accepted a rate of \$5 for a room and four meals a day, and had the clerk send a nigger instantly to the other hotel for his baggage. "I've been payin' fo' dollars a day for my room alone over there," he explained, "and they've been a-chargin' all my meals extra. Yes, sir! they've been a-chargin' me twenty cents a piece for roasin'-years, and I've been just fairly eatin' my damned head off."—Louisville Courier-Journal, 27th.

### CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

### Tongue Twisters.

Drimtaidhvikhilichattan is the name of a small hamlet in the Isle of Mull containing not more than a dozen inhabitants. How they pronounce it is a mystery only to be solved by some one acquainted with the Gaelic, but the fact that the Scots are a nation of few words seems easy to explain, if they have many such words as the above in the language.

A sample of Welsh nomenclature is Mynyddylln, which is the name of a parish close to Cardiff, while another of the same kind is Llanfairpwllgwgll. Perhaps, however, the Germans may be fairly said to carry off the palm in word coining. How is this for a specimen—Constantinopolischerdudelelsackspfeifer? or this one, Jungfrauzimmerdurchschwindersuchtoedungs?

The first means a Constantinopolitan bag-pipe player and the last is the name of a young ladies' club which adorns the brass plate of a door of a house in Cologne to this day.

Rabelais gives the following name to a particular book which was supposed to be in the library of Pantagruel's medical student friend Victor—"Antipericatemetanaparbeugedanptecribraati ones Toordicantium," while Anantschaturdasivratkata is an actual Sanskrit word to be found in any Sanskrit dictionary, and the word Gluninstardysarchedes occurs in the works of Platus, the Latin comedy writer.—Harper's Round Table.

### Spain's Greatest Need.

Mr. R. P. Olivia, of Barcelona, Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest Blood and Nerve Remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50c. Sold by McKay Bros. & Skinner, Druggists.

### Convicts Tracked by a Mule.

A letter from Valdosta, Ga., says: "A rather interesting story comes from down about Genoa, Fla., of an old mule which tracked a gang of escaped convicts for two days and led to their capture. The convicts were at Savage and Co's stockade and made their escape a few days ago. There were no track dogs at the camp, but a posse was formed to hunt for the men. Among the animals which the men had to ride was an old mule that had been on a similar chase many times before. As soon as the men started out they noticed that the mule put its nose to the ground just as a track dog would and started off as if on a trail. The mule was allowed to go almost as it pleased, and the men were finally convinced that the mule was right. The chase was kept up for two days, and the convicts were captured below Lake City, a distance of fifty miles. The men are now convinced that the capture of the fugitives was due to the good scenting powers of the mule. The story, though it sounds a little fishy, comes through entirely trustworthy sources."—Baltimore Sun.

### A Frightful Blunder

Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by McKay Bros. & Skinner, Druggists.

### How The Trust Robs Farmers.

There used to be "big money" in the tobacco crop for the farmers of North Carolina. But that was before the advent of the cigarette trust, without conscience of any kind. In the "good old days" prior to the arrival of this grinding, greedy oppressor the farmers of the then fine tobacco section made money "hand over hand." We have often given glimpses of the results and how the growers of the gold leaf belt rolled in money. Among the foremost farmers the average of crops ran from \$40 per hundred pounds to more than \$100 per hundred pounds. It was a day of fat things. Then the best tobacco lands in Graenville rented for \$100 per acre—rented, and think of it. Now they would not rent for \$5. "What change is there, my countrymen?"

There are men in those counties who still make money by tobacco, but it is "not a drop in the bucket" as compared with old prices since the great war. In other sections since developed into tobacco sections there is profit found, and much greater than in cotton at present low prices.

But remember, when fine tobacco in the leaf fetched from \$40 to \$100 average for an entire crop, cotton also brought to the planters from \$50 to \$100 for each bale. In 1870, as we well know, a bale of average size of good cotton sold for \$100. Years later it brought \$50 or more. How much has it been bringing for two or three years—not more than \$25, if so much.

In South Carolina, tobacco is profitably made by good farmers. Mr. S. A. Gregg's name is familiar to newspaper readers. He lives at Florence. He cultivated 116 acres in cotton, realizing from it \$2,447.40. He had the same number of acres in corn, for which he received \$840. He obtained \$3,486.40 for crops made on 232 acres. The cost of production is not given, but the profit on 116 acres in cotton is put at \$295.02. He had a 25 acre crop of tobacco upon which he made a net profit of \$1,529. It appears that his 25 acre crop was five times more profitable than the 116 acre crop.

In years between 1867-1880, we verily believe that there were farmers in Granville, and perhaps in a half dozen other counties in that section of North Carolina, who averaged from \$300 to \$600 per acre in tobacco. We knew of some such in Granville—a dozen or so. It was common among the better farmers to make by each hand employed from \$600 to \$1,200. Dennis Tilley worked six men and averaged \$1,200. He was probably the most successful of all in the county.—Wilmington Messenger.

### Where The Compass Came From.

The earliest reference to the use of the mariner's compass are to be found in Chinese history, from which we learn how, in the sixty-fourth year of the reign of Hoang-ti (2634 B. C.), the emperor attacked Tehi-yeon, on the plains of Tehou-lou, and finding his army embarrassed by a thick fog raised by the enemy, constructed an instrument for indicating the south, so as to distinguish the four cardinal points, and was thus enabled to pursue his adversary and capture him.

The power of the loadstone to communicate polarity to iron is said to be for the first time explicitly mentioned in a Chinese dictionary, finished in A. D. 121, where the loadstone is defined as "a stone with which an attraction can be given to the needle."

The Chinese appear to have once navigated as far as India by the aid of the compass.—Exchange.

Rev. Dr. E. Y. Mullins of Newton Centre, Mass., has been elected to and accepted the presidency of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Kentucky.

## Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat. Artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion. Prepared by E. C. Bellitt & Co., Chicago. For sale by Hood & Grantham, Druggists, Dunn, N. C.

### Where They "Hang Out."

"I was traveling through a thinly settled district up the country some time ago," said a drummer who can't tell a lie when he sees one, "and had occasion to stop at a small town off the line of the road. The only vehicle I could get at the station was a ramshackle buggy driven by an old dorky, and as we snailed up the road I amused myself by pumping him about people and things. Finally it occurred to me to get some pointers on the best place to lodge.

"Look here, uncle," I said, "where do folks generally hang out here?"

The old man gave a sudden start and glared at me with evident apprehension.

"Well boss," he replied in a hoarse whisper, "they mos' generally hangs out on that big ches'nut tree yonder, second lim' frum th' bottom."—Exchange.

### That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25c. Money back if not cured. Sold by McKay Bros. & Skinner, Druggists.

E. W. Weatherford, an engineer on the Southern Railway, was shot and killed while sleeping on a passenger coach at Tuscombia, Ala., early Saturday morning. His son, John Weatherford, has been arrested charged with committing the murder.

## Help... Nature

Babies and children need proper food, rarely ever medicine. If they do not thrive on their food something is wrong. They need a little help to get their digestive machinery working properly.

### SCOTT'S EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL

will generally correct this difficulty. If you will put from one-fourth to half a teaspoonful in baby's bottle three or four times a day you will soon see a marked improvement. For larger children, from half to a teaspoonful, according to age, dissolved in their milk. If you so desire, will very soon show its great nourishing power. If the mother's milk does not nourish the baby, she needs the emulsion. It will show an effect at once both upon mother and child.

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