

THE COUNTY UNION.

DUNN, Harnett County, N. C.

Entered according to postal regulations at the postoffice at Dunn, N. C., as second class matter.

J. P. PITTMAN, Proprietor,
A. M. WOODALL, Editor.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

Three Months.....25 Cents.
Six Months.....50 Cents.
One Year.....\$1.00.
Sent by Mail. Payable in advance.

DUNN, N. C., August 30, 1899.

Hester's Report in Full.

Showing the Production and Consumption of Cotton, Increase of Spindles, etc.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 2.—Secretary Hester's New Orleans Cotton Exchange annual report was issued in full today. He puts the cotton crop of 1898-99 at 11,274,840 bales, an increase of 74,846 bales over 1897-98, and says that while Texas, including Indian Territory, shows an excess of 480,000 bales and the group of Atlantic States, consisting of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky and Virginia, increased only 9,000 bales, the group of other Gulf States, consisting of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma and Missouri, have fallen off 414,000.

Mr. Hester puts the average commercial value of the crop at \$25.08 per bale, against \$28.62 last year, \$3676 the year before, and \$41.09 in 1896-99, and the total value of the crop at \$282,773,000, against \$320,553,000 last year, and \$320,925,000 the year before. He calls attention to the fact that the money value of the crop just marketed is slightly under that of the 1893-94 crop, which was 3,725,023 bales less the value of the 1893-94 had been \$283,118,000.

He puts the total spindles in the South at 4,852,092, an increase over last year of 894,848. These include 823,354 now not complete. The net gain in the number of Southern mills over last year has been 59, making the total now 55, and the consumption has been divided as follows:

Alabama, 132,763 bales, an increase of 31,610; Arkansas, 3,182 bales, an increase of 1,288; Georgia, 271,807 bales, an increase of 13,190; Kentucky, 26,842 bales, an increase of 686; Louisiana, 18,025 bales, an increase of 1,976; Mississippi, 19,894 bales, an increase of 186; Missouri, 3,868, an increase of 233; North Carolina, 382,477, an increase of 49,676; South Carolina, 443,978, an increase of 65,834; Tennessee, 34,136, a decrease of 2,335; Texas, 16,059, an increase of 1,375; Virginia, 46,088, an increase of 2,240.

Total consumption of cotton in the South was 1,399,399 bales, an increase of 170,079 bales.

In reference to the general manufacturing industry of the country and its comparative progress North and South, Mr. Hester says that the year has been an active one for American mills. Low prices for the raw material and improved values for manufactured goods have enabled Northern spinners to recover from the depression of the two previous years, and the result, with a continued improvement in the South, has been the largest consumption of cotton and the heaviest takings by mills on record. He puts the consumption of Northern mills for the year at 2,190,000 bales, which together with that of the South, makes an aggregate for the entire country of 3,589,000. In the South, the activity within the year in building new mills has been without parallel. More than 300,000 spindles have been added to mills in operation, and there are now being erected in old and new concerns nearly 825,000 spindles. In addition to this, there are projected in every Southern State cotton manufacturing covering many thousands of spindles.

War between Great Britain and the Transvaal Republic in South Africa is imminent and is expected to begin any day now. Should it start it is thought that most of the States in South Africa will lend a hand to the Boers against the British.

People Eat Too Much Meat.

Some of the people of the Western towns, where the price of meat has been raised from three to five cents by the trust, are advocating the policy "eat less meat." The Chattanooga Times, in advocating this policy, says:

"The people eat too much meat and too little of the cereal and other vegetable foods. A large part of the ills that human flesh is afflicted by is the result of flesh consumption, swine's flesh being a prolific breeder of disease. Hundreds of patients who go to the best managed sanitariums in wretched condition are cured in a few weeks by being confined to a vegetable diet, this being supplemented by sanitary bathing and exercise. They made themselves sick eating flesh, the stuffing being accompanied by physical laziness, that brought confirmed physical torpor, with indigestion, eruptive skin, constipation, etc. The meat people eat is not, as a rule, positively injurious to them, considered as a food material, but it is that much too much for their stomachs. Let the trust's meat alone, or at least eat sparingly of it, and you will at once benefit yourself and defeat any sculduggery the trust may be contemplating in the shape of artificially high prices."

A few weeks ago, chatting with a prominent railroad official in the West, this writer heard him say he had almost become a vegetarian, and he added: "I have a friend in Chicago, a large contractor, who works very hard. He never eats any meat, and since he has confined himself to a vegetable diet he has been healthier and stronger than ever."

Less meat and more fruit and vegetables would insure better health.—News and Observer.

One Worth a Dozen.

J. Q. Collier, Hubard, Ark., writes: Ramon's Liver Pills and Tonic Pellets are a special remedy for Sick Headache. I have been engaged in the mercantile business and confined in doors a great deal, and consequently suffer with Deranged Liver. I have been using your medicines for this and the sick headache, and find much relief. I had tried many cures for said disorder but they always failed. One of your red pills is worth more to me than a dozen of any other remedy I have ever taken. I shall always be glad that I obtained a supply of your remedies. For sale by McKay Bros. & Skinner.

Speaking at Lillington.

While court was adjourned at Lillington Tuesday several distinguished speakers addressed the people on the the Constitutional Amendment. The first speaker was introduced by Hon. D. H. McLean, who said in his introduction that under the Amendment any man who was a white man could vote, and he would either have to be a negro or make out like he was, to be deprived of the right of suffrage. He introduced Hon. W. C. Douglass, a gifted speaker from the city of Raleigh. Mr. Douglass in the course of his speech said it was just simply a fight between the white man and the negro in which no white man could not afford to take a stand for his race. He explained fully the Constitution in plain and unmistakable terms. He is one of the most eminent speakers we have ever heard, and his effort on this occasion was one of telling effect.

The next speaker, Solicitor E. W. Pou, made a fine speech. He never has been known to make any other kind. His gift of speech is not surpassed by any orator of the Old North State. He possesses powers peculiar unto himself, which are heart searching, full of sound logic and plain reasoning. His speech was a teller for the Amendment.

Mr. W. A. Stewart, our young Harnett county champion of Democracy, closed the speaking with a short but well-chosen speech.

There was about three hundred people present, the most of whom will support the Amendment.

Admiral Dewey with the Olympia has arrived at Gibraltar. He expects to sail from that place on the 11th of September direct for New York.

"Fighting Joe" in the Saddle.

An Opinion of Funston's Successor in the Philippines.

"Fighting Joe" Wheeler has reached Manila, and he is already assigned to the command of Gen. Funston's brigade, which place, it appears, has been kept open for him. The gray old warrior, whose youth and enthusiasm seem to be inexhaustible, impresses us as retaining his old-time vigor. He wants to go to the front immediately, and, in his fervor and delight over the prospect of active service, he has already surveyed the situation and proclaimed his views. The press reports describe him as saying: "I am much pleased with the situation. I think that when Gen. Otis gets more troops he will make rapid progress. The country is more favorable for military operations than I supposed. The impression that the country is unhealthy is wrong."

Certainly General Wheeler is the most lovable and delightful old gentleman occupying a prominent place in our public affairs today. He has all the buoyant optimism of youth. Nothing can daunt his courage or mitigate his wonderful philosophy. Give him a trench halt filled with water, and he regards it as an ideal resting place. Offer him a hard tack and a chunk of mouldy bacon and he regards them as the legitimate constituents of a Lucullan banquet. Chills and fevers merely make him believe that he is the victim of an hallucination. Sickness among men he views with toleration as an innocent idiosyncrasy. He recognizes no difficulties, admits the importance of no obstacles. He insists on going ahead under all circumstances, and Boabdil and the Campase separate, or put together, never furnished one fraction of his irrepressible vim. At the battle—we should say the storming—of San Juan last year, he was brought to the front upon a litter to see the consummation. But he never dreamed that he was at death's door from disease, and he thought of nothing save the victory and his own delight. He gave credit to everybody, demanded the promotion and distinction of all participants, and then slept the sleep of physical weakness to dream of a glory which he was glad to share with all the world.

Of course the dear old general knows nothing about the situation in Luzon. He sees a chance of fighting, and all is rosy and beautiful. Any country is in his eyes favorable for military operations so long as he is to take part in them, and he is so fond of every one's devotion and ability that he readily believes in his prophecy that Otis will do great things after awhile.

"The impression that the country is unhealthy is wrong," the general declares, after a few minutes contemplation of Otis and his staff—but he will still believe in the salubrity of Luzon, even after six months' experience of cholera, small pox and beri beri.

General Wheeler's Utopian utterances come to us like a breath of innocence. They uplift and soften the hard, everyday heart of callous man.—Washington Post.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers benefit permanently. They lend gentle assistance to nature, causing no pains or weakness, permanently curing constipation and liver ailments. Hood & Grantham.

Died.

On August 20th, near Paola, this county, Mr. Hugh Black, Sr., passed away with heart dropsy. He was 84 years old, and leaves a twin brother. They were possibly the oldest twins with the exception of the McLean's in this part of the country. Mr. Black was a good man and a devout christian, having been an Elder in Flat Branch Presbyterian church for about 26 years. He had been married twice, both wives having preceded him to the grave.

"What might have been"—if that little cough hadn't been neglected—is the sad reflection of thousands of consumptives. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs and colds. Hood & Grantham.

District Attorney C. M. Bernard was shot at Saturday morning in Greenville by a man named Sheppard. The ball missed its mark and no damage was done. Sheppard accused Bernard of ruining his home.

The Day at Angier.

There were about three thousand people at Angier last Thursday, and it proved to be a big day. Everybody had a jolly time and went home well pleased with the occasion.

The speaking was excellent, of which a more extended account appears on the first page.

The Dunn Brass Band rendered music for the occasion, which was spoken of in high terms. The band boys desire to return thanks to Mr. Angier, the manager of the Cape Fear and Northern railroad, for a delightful trip of forty miles up his new road on a special car. The road is fine and runs through a fine country. See first page for full account of the occasion.

First to Pay Taxes.

When the tax books were opened Monday the following were the first to pay: Mr. John Stevens of Upper Little River, Mr. C. D. Stewart of Grove, who also paid for Miss Millie Bailey; Mr. A. A. Waddell of Lillington, also John Clark, colored, of Upper Little River paid his Monday.

Sheriff Salmon is going to collect taxes this fall and there will be no use putting it off.

One negro accidentally shot and killed another negro at Masonboro Sound Sunday morning.

NEW STOCK OF MILLINERY.

I wish to inform the public that I have just returned from the northern markets where I purchased the most attractive line of

Millinery Goods

over before. The Styles are elegant this season, and prices are as low as fair dealings permit.

Full line of ladies' and children's Hats, Caps, and Dress Trimmings, Furnishings &c.

The Gouff Hat is one of the most popular this season. I have a full line of them which I am offering from 75 cents up.

Full line of new style hair ornaments.

Mrs. C. S. Pipkin is with me again this season and will be pleased to have her friends call and examine goods and prices.

Thanking one and all for past favors and soliciting a continuance of the same, I beg to remain

Respectfully,
Mrs. J. H. POPE.

GAINES

AND

JORDAN

are still in business and want your patronage.

They have a well selected line of Jewelry, Watches &c., and will make prices right.

Repairing neatly done at moderate charges.

Picture frames made to order, any size and any quality. Bicycles for cash or on easy terms. All kind of repairing done on short notice.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA: In Superior Court, HARNETT COUNTY.

NOTICE. Wm. Arnold, Joseph R. Brown, Mattie Brown, J. J. Arnold, Wm. Harrington, Evelyn Harrington, Lamar Arnold, David Spence, Bittie Spence, M. A. Thomas, Lynn Thomas, A. T. Arnold, J. F. Arnold, Ervin Arnold, Tella E. Arnold, and Arizona Arnold.

VS. W. D. Dennis, L. W. Dennis, M. E. Arnold, Elizabeth F. Arnold, J. A. Arnold, Ada M. Arnold, E. L. Arnold, and Carl Arnold.

The defendants above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Harnett county for the sale of certain pieces or parcels of land situated in Buckhorn township, Harnett county, North Carolina, devised by Aaron Thomas to his daughter, Nancy Elizabeth Thomas, the object of the sale being to make partition among the tenants in common of the proceeds of said sale and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court on the fifth day of September, 1899 at the Court House in the said county of Harnett, State of North Carolina, to answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 18th day of July 1899.

J. H. WITHERS, Clerk Superior Court.
W. E. Murchison, Attorney for Plaintiffs.
July 26-6w.

Mr. & Mrs. B. Laekamp, Elston, Mo., writes: "One Minute Cough Cure saved the life of our little boy when nearly dead with croup." Hood & Grantham.

NOTICE!

SALE OF TOWN LOTS.

On Thursday, Sept. 7, 1899 at 12 o'clock in the Board of County Commissioners, or its representative, will sell at public auction at the Court House in Lillington, N. C. the following lot of land belonging to the county of Harnett, viz:

One lot situated and lying in the town of Lillington, N. C. and on the north side of Front street; Beginning at a stake, the southeast corner of the plot of three lots purchased by Mrs. O. J. Spears in the north line of Front street, and runs thence North 18° East along the line of the said Mrs. Spears lot 5 chains to a stake her corner and in the south line of the street running across in front of the Methodist Church; thence South 72° East 1 ch. to a stake in line of said street, thence South 18° West 5 chains to a stake in the North line of Front street; thence North 72° West 1 chain to the beginning, containing one half an acre, the same being lot no 54 according to the old plan of the town of Lillington, N. C., and being lot no 4 in Block "G" according to the new plan of the town of Lillington.

By order of Board of Commissioners Monday, Aug. 7, 1899.
E. F. Young, Chairman,
Alvis C. Holloway, Clerk.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of Moses Weaver, deceased, late of Harnett county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to present them to the undersigned on or before the 26th day of July, 1900, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This July 24th 1899.
J. R. STRICKLAND, Jr., Executor.
J. C. CLIFFORD, Attorney.

NOTICE. By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg county, in the case of E. M. Andrews vs. H. J. Strickland and wife, V. R. Strickland, I will on Monday the 2nd day of October, 1899, at 12 o'clock M., sell to the highest bidder for cash in front of the postoffice in the town of Dunn, N. C., that certain lot of land in the town of Dunn, fronting on a road in Street, and behind the west side of the railroad, and on the North side of Broad Street, being known as lot No. 2 in Block F in the division of residence lot No. 1 in Block F in the plans of the town of Dunn, and being the same lot described in a certain mortgage executed by said Strickland and wife to the said Andrews, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Harnett, Book J. No. 2 of deeds on page 1. This the 18th day of Aug., 1899.
F. P. JONES, Commissioner.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND UNDER MORTGAGE.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage executed by Marshall Smith, recorded in Book Z, page 288, Register of Deeds office for Harnett county, we will at 12 o'clock M. Tuesday 19th day of September 1899, expose to sale at public auction for cash at the door of the Court house of Harnett county, Lillington, N. C., the tract of land therein described, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: By a line beginning at a corner of Lam Byrd's 150 acre tract, thence N. seven and one-half degrees E. fifty chains and sixty links to another corner of said 36 acre tract, thence N. eight and one-half degrees W. twenty chains to Stevens' line, thence with said line S. seven and one-half degrees W. thirty-six chains to a stake, thence S. fifty-six degrees E. twenty-one chains and thirty links to the beginning, containing ninety-two acres more or less and being the land conveyed to the said Marshall Smith by E. J. Lilly, deceased. Terms cash. This August 12, 1899.
H. W. LILLY, R. T. GRAY, Executors of E. J. LILLY, deceased.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as Executor of the last will and Testament of John McDougald, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of said John McDougald to present the same to me, July 19th instant, or on or before August 7th 1899, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This August 7, 1899.
Neill McLeod, Ex. of John McDougald.
W. E. Murchison, Atty.

Fire! Fire!

WE REPRESENT OVER FORTY MILLION DOLLARS TO PROTECT YOU AGAINST LOSS BY FIRE AND WIND STORMS. FOR POLICIES CALL ON

JAS. A. TAYLOR & BRO.,
DUNN, N. C.

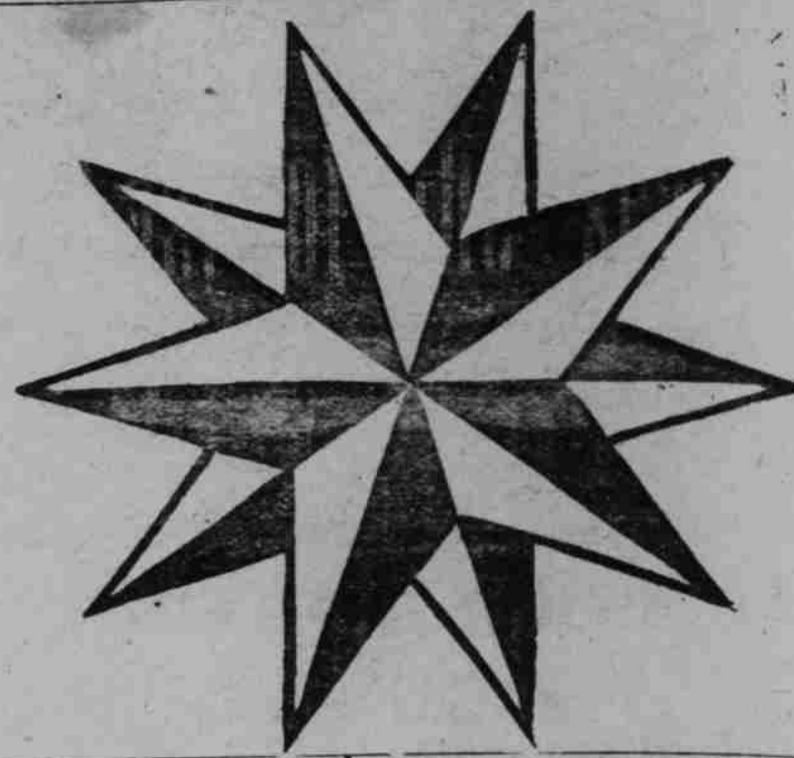
J. W. WHITTINGTON, WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER.

Benson, - N. C.

I am still located in Benson and doing business, and would be glad to serve those who wish to buy Jewelry, Spectacles &c. I am thoroughly prepared to fit you up with glasses by the aid of the latest eye-test card. If you have repairing you wish done you will find my prices satisfactory, and work guaranteed. Mail orders receive prompt attention. All styles of Clocks and Watches direct from the factory at remarkably low prices. Machine Needles, Musical Instruments, Strings etc.

Thomas Rhodes, Centerfield, O., writes: "I suffered from piles seven or eight years. No remedy gave me relief until DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve, less than a box of which permanently cured me." Soothing, healing, perfectly harmless. Beware of counterfeits. Hood & Grantham.

TO MY Farmer Friends.



I take this method of thanking you for your patronage during the month of August, trusting I have given you entire satisfaction both in prices and courtesy extended you and promising you in the future every effort on my part to secure you the

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

for every pile of Tobacco placed on my floor. With hard work and close attention to business I can always assure you the very highest prices

For All Tobaccos.

With good orders myself for all grades from the Common Scrap to finest cutters and wrappers and with a large corps of Buyers that will give you the highest market prices for your Tobacco.

With these advantages you can be sure of getting FULL MARKET VALUE for every pile of TOBACCO put on my FLOOR. If you have not sold any Tobacco at the

Star Warehouse,

all I ask is a trial load to prove to you that the STAR is

The Place to Sell Your TOBACCO.

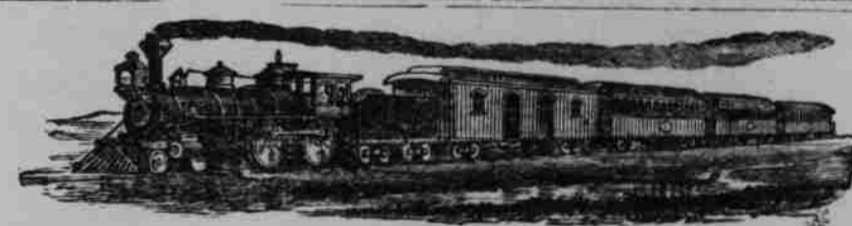
I run my own sales and see that every pile brings its full market value. Follow the most wagons and bring your tobacco to the Star Warehouse where every one leaves happy.

Thanking you one and all for your past patronage and promising you the very best accommodation for both you and your team and highest prices for your Tobacco, I am

Your Friend,

J. F. MOTLEY, Proprietor STAR WAREHOUSE.

Last of the season.



Friday, September 8th, 1899,

is the date of the last and biggest excursion of the season from DUNN TO WILMINGTON AND THE ATLANTIC OCEAN,
Via: Wilson.

Round Trip \$1.50.

BAND OF MUSIC FREE TO THE PASSENGERS.
HATCH BROS. THE OLD RELIABLE.

This space reserved for the The Dunn Cash Racket and

MILLINERY STORE.

Look out in our next issue.

Low prices always win and they have the goods and price to suit

ALL.