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### New Bank at Dunn.

ITS FINE BUILDING HAS JUST BEEN FINISHED.

PRESIDENT AND CASHIER.

They Are Men Who Enjoy the Confidence of the Community—Scheme on Foot to Establish a Local Telephone Exchange.

Correspondent of The Raleigh Post

Dunn is still on the forward march. New buildings of both brick and wood are being commenced here every week. Among the number completed within the past week we notice a fine brick structure on Railroad street, which will be used for a banking house. The Bank of Dunn is its name, with Mr. L. J. Best, president, and Mr. S. J. Hooks, cashier. This business, together with Young's Banking house—an already very well established banking business for Dunn—will offer to the public in general every advantage and accommodation consistent with a safe banking business. Burglar proof safes of modern construction will be used.

Mr. Best, the president, is a native of Wayne county, and was educated at Trinity College, having graduated from that institution in 1886 and from one of the leading law schools in the State two years later, he came to Dunn in his infancy in 1888 and began the practice of law, since which time he has become widely and favorably known in this section of the State, and today he enjoys an extensive and lucrative practice and has the confidence and esteem of all our people.

Mr. Hooks, the cashier, has been with us but a few years as general cotton-buyer here and adjacent points; but since his sojourn here he has been known as Abraham Lincoln (Honest Abe) was known for his honesty. He is worthy of any trust reposed in him.

Although we are connected with our county town by a home telephone company and with the capital city and other important points in the State and elsewhere by long distance lines, we need a telephone exchange for Dunn. A scheme has been set on foot to promote an exchange here, which will prove successful within the next thirty days.

### Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on McKay Bros. & Skinner, Druggists, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

During the winter of 1897 Mr. James Reed, one of the leading citizens and merchants of Clay, Clay Co., W. Va., struck his leg against a cake of ice in such a manner as to bruise it severely. It became very much swollen and pained him so badly that he could not walk without the aid of crutches. He was treated by physicians, also used several kinds of liniment and two and a half gallons of whiskey in bathing it, but nothing gave any relief until he began using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. This brought almost a complete cure in a week's time and he believes that had he not used this remedy his leg would have had to be amputated. Pain Balm is unequalled for sprains, bruises and rheumatism. For sale by Hood & Grantham.

### FALLING OF THE STARS.

Will Take Place in November, Says Prof. Lanneau.

Prof. J. F. Lanneau, of the department of Physics and Appl. Math., of Wake Forest College, writes a citizen of Davidson in answer to an inquiry about the falling of the stars:

"There will be a remarkable shower of stars this year, very much like the ordinary 'shooting stars' we see now and then of an evening quickly shooting across the sky with more or less of bright trail, and suddenly disappearing. Only, in the shower, there will be many hundreds of them succeeding each other irregularly for four or five hours, and all seeming to come from the same part of the sky, namely from about the constellation of stars, known as 'Leo,' or 'The Lion.'"

"You may see that constellation of stars of an evening now, say at 8 or 9 o'clock, and may know it by its position and shape. You may see it well up above the Eastern horizon, its prominent stars being in the shape of an old fashioned grass blade. 'The shower will occur the night of Monday, November 13th, or rather before daylight next morning. It may begin at any time after midnight of Monday the 13th, lasting several hours, perhaps until daybreak. Or it may not occur until Tuesday night, the 14th, after midnight."

"It will be well worth the sitting up two successive nights. It occurs every 33 years. Possibly it may be seen only in Europe, occurring during our day time, as it did in 1866. But keep a look out—it will be worth the trouble."

### Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, rundown feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at McKay Bros. & Skinner's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

### But 1,200 Colored Voters Registered in New Orleans.

A notable showing of the present registration in the small negro vote registered. Four years ago there were 14,000 colored voters registered; whereas the present lists include not much more than 1,200 colored voters, and it is reasonable to assume that this number includes the more intelligent and conservative class of men. For the first time in years past the black vote will play no important part in a municipal election, and to that extent, at least, local politics will be bettered by the elimination of a factor which was entirely a purchasable quantity, and, consequently, a serious menace to good government.—New Orleans Picayune.

### Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by McKay Bros. & Skinner, Druggists.

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### Mr. Bryan's Logic.

Mr. Bryan is undoubtedly logical in the reasoning which led him to decline signing a petition to President McKinley asking that the United States Government use its good offices in bringing about a peaceful settlement of the Transvaal difficulty. "While I think," said Mr. Bryan, "that this Government should use its good offices to prevent war between England and the Boers, yet I do not care to join in a petition to the President on this subject. Our refusal to recognize the right of the Filipinos to self-government will embarrass us if we express sympathy with those in other lands who are struggling to follow the doctrines set forth in the Declaration of Independence."—St. Louis Republic.

On the 10th of December, 1897, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, pastor M. E. Church, South, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va., contracted a severe cold which was attended from the beginning by violent coughing. He says: "After resorting to a number of so-called 'specifics,' usually kept in the house, to no purpose, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which acted like a charm. I most cheerfully recommend it to the public." For sale by Hood & Grantham.

### Mrs. Page Dead.

We clip the following from the Smithfield Herald, the account of the death of Mrs. Page who was a native of Harnett county. It reads:

"Mrs. Delia Page passed away at the home of her son-in-law, E. S. Abell, Esq., Thursday afternoon Aug. 5th. She had been an invalid for several years, having some time since suffered a stroke of paralysis. Two months ago, on the occasion of her son's death, she came to Smithfield. Her health had been steadily failing since, until Thursday the gentle spirit deserted the tenement of clay and went into the world beyond.

"The deceased was a sister of Mrs. J. H. Abell, of this place, and of Capt. E. S. Parker, of Graham. She leaves three children, three brothers and two sisters to mourn their loss. "The deceased was born in Harnett county 58 years ago. Early in life she connected herself with the Baptist church and remained a consistent member until her death. The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery here Friday afternoon. The Herald sympathizes with the bereaved.

Special to The Wilmington Messenger: The auditor to-day made estimates as to the state pension roll for this year, showing a decrease of 9 first class pensioners, an increase of 73 second class, an increase of 126 third class, an increase of 279 fourth class and a decrease of 12 widows; total increase 478; total decrease 21; net increase 457. Of this, 316 are placed on the roll by acts of the last legislature. The amount realized for the pension fund during the year is \$122,000, of which \$119,000 will be available. This will be distributed among 121 first class, 341 second class, 519 third class, 2,234 fourth class and 2,674 widows; total 5,889. The amount apportioned will be: First class \$64, second class \$48, third class \$32, fourth class \$16, widows \$16. A few applications still under consideration may make some minor changes, but will not materially effect them.

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### A Letter From Cuba.

The following letter from Mr. John N. Harrell to his grandfather, Dr. W. B. Harrell of our town will be of interest to our readers. It will be remembered that young Mr. Harrell was here about one year ago and was sick for several weeks with fever. He is treasurer of the "Electro Gas Lighting Company and the Cuban Land Company." His letter reads as follows:

HAVANA, CUBA, Oct. 3, 1899. My Dear Grandfather:—

Your interesting letter to papa of 29th inst. has just arrived and we were both delighted to hear from you, as we always are. I have been trying for some little time to get a spare moment to write you, but up to the present time that opportunity has not presented itself until just now.

I was very glad to note in your letter that the copy of the Havana Herald which I mailed you arrived all right. I thought possibly you would like to see our new "ad" and also the local notice which they gave us. I was quite confident that the Spanish part of it would be of interest to you, as it is to every other American.

Papa and myself are beginning to speak Spanish remarkably well for the length of time we have been here. I can go anywhere I want to, and get anything I want, without the aid of an interpreter, as I am learning something new every day. It is useless for any one to try to learn to speak Spanish from a book, as you can never learn the correct pronunciation by seeing it in print. The word is pronounced just as different from the spelling as can be possible. But with all its disadvantages I am learning very fast.

Now, in regard to the American Colony we are working up, I will say we have control of 11,000 acres of land in Matanzas Province, which we are settling into an up-to-date American City. The Company which we represent will build market houses, opera houses, churches, parks, etc. for the convenience of the inhabitants. We have worked hard, day and night, on this plan, and have at last completed it, and have submitted same to the Home Company (at Washington). We sell a farm of 10 acres, just on the outskirts of this town for \$100, and it is some of the most fertile land upon this Island—raises three crops every year with never a failure. The river Mayaborn crosses the land, and water, that is excellent, can be reached anywhere on it, at a depth of 30 feet, something very unusual in this country as we have known parties to dig 130 feet in Havana and not reach a drop of water. We recently received a letter from the president of the Home Company in which he said your ideas of our new American town are excellent and we shall arrange to perfect your plans at once. He also wrote us, "You are the right men in the right place, and we propose to stick to you just as hard as we can." Now, grandfather I think that is a high compliment for a man worth half a million dollars to pay us, don't you? And we propose to do the same by them and always consider them first in all business transactions for I never will forget the old saying, "lost confidence can never be regained," and now that they have such confidence in us and intrust us with their business, both confidentially and financially, we shall never let them lose their confidence in us.

I leave here in the next three or four days for Matanzas to take charge of their branch office which we open up on the 15th inst. I am delighted with this idea, as Matanzas is one of the healthiest cities on the Island; and if all reports are true, is one of the prettiest towns also. I will try to get you some photographs of it when I get there and send to you, so that you may have some idea of its size, population etc. Have no doubt as to my doing

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my very best to fill this position, for if energy and hard work will accomplish success I will succeed. I shall keep you posted from time to time as to how we are progressing.

I guess I had better come to a close as it is getting rather late and I want to get all the sleep and rest I can so as to be ready for good hard work at Matanzas.

With much love to your dear self, grandmother, Mabel and all. I will close by asking you to always remember me in your prayers where ever I may be.

Your devoted grandson,  
JOHN N. HARRELL.

"Be a Good Man, Papa."

Mary's father was going on a journey that would keep him away from his home for a week at least. The children hated to have him go, for they would miss him sadly. He was already to start and the horse and wagon were at the door. Mary, always eager for the last word and the last kiss, followed him and gave him a loving hug before he drove off. "Mind, now, and be a good girl, Mary," said he. "Yes, papa, I will; and you must be a good man, papa," answered Mary as he drove off. When he looked back as he came to a turn in the road he saw Mary still standing by the gate waving her good bye. Her last words, "Be a good man, papa," went with him. Did he not need the counsel as well as she? He felt that he was only a child of larger growth. Men and women have their temptations to do wrong as well as boys and girls. For the sake of his little girl and his family he would "be a good man" in every sense of the word; he would be honest in business, strictly conscientious and keep his heart pure and his lips sweet and clean for their kisses. If every man would do the same what a happy world ours might be!—The Youth's Temperance Banner.

High Point Enterprise: Thursday there was a car load of negro emigrants attached to the noon train. They were from Charlotte. Judging from the looks of the crowd it was that class of negroes that hangs around the towns, a class that will not work nor take advantage of the school facilities that are provided for them.

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