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A Most Beautiful Day and Enjoyed by Many. A Magnificent Display of Dress Goods.

Although Easter Sunday came a little earlier than usual, the ladies of Elizabeth City did not stand back on account of the cool weather. The day was bright and sunny and plainly told that Spring was upon us. The churches were all beautifully decorated and perhaps never in the history of Elizabeth City were the congregations so well dressed. The elegance and variety of new dress goods, was seen on every hand. Goods were never so pretty as they are this season. All the merchants claim to have a nice assortment but it is credited by all the ladies, that the most select and artistic stock is at MITCHELL'S. He always takes a lady to New York with him, to select his dress goods and trimmings and this is why everything is so select and new. He does not boast of having thousands of dollars worth more of dress goods than of other merchants; this story is very careful to tell no stories. It is a real business, you know. But say, pose you come and see, how the new goods keep coming. An examination of them is a real Bow chase, as you seemingly never reach the end of the line. No old goods carried over from last season. Not a single pair of old and ends, but, an endless variety of the choicest production strictly up-to-date. This is the only store in Elizabeth City that sells for cash. There is no necessity for Mitchell to put big profits on his goods. You know it is true, when a merchant has to charge the goods, he must make bigger profits. You don't run a store account, then you trade at a store and pay your cash and get the same prices, that your neighbor pays, who buys on credit? Did you ever think of this? Nothing is ever sold high at Mitchell's. This store tries to sell everything cheaper. If you buy here you know this. If you do not buy here you have missed a mighty good buying place.

THE NEW DRESS GOODS.
Of the 50 cent goods we have this to say—and we mean it.—Such a collection of really high-grade goods never crossed a counter for less than 60 cts., 75 cts., and \$1.00 the yard. We are building business with them at 50 cts. yd. 40 inch very handsome Jacquard Mohairs, firm and strong, 40 inch the newest colorings 50 cts. a yard.
40 inch fine all-wood German novelties, beautiful color combinations—the very height of fashion, 50 cents yard.
40 inch magnificent Mohair, the latest stuff for skirts, black, blue and tan, 50 cents yd.
40 inch Novelty Suitings, all wool, in bright broken plaids or checks. Rich colorings, our fast seller at 35 cents yard. Some are asking 50 cents.
40 inch all-wood storm serge, black, blue, tan and spring shades just 25 cents yard.
36 inch Changeable and Brocade effects. Silk and wool. The richest goods that were ever retailed at 25 cents yard.
A full line of silk shirt waist patterns. Everything imaginable in dress trimmings.
Yard wide Percales 10 cts. yd.
You are welcome, whether you buy anything or not.

MITCHELL, The New Man,
Elizabeth City, N. C.

SPECIAL:—On to-day and Saturday only, (just to bring you to our store) we will sell the genuine Butter-milk and Rose Soap (the real 25 cent article) for 10 cents box, 5 cents in box. None sold after Saturday for less than the regular price, 25 cts. box. Your money refunded, if this is not the genuine Butter-milk soap. Come quickly.

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LOVE AND MARRIAGE.

You Cannot be too Careful in Selecting Your Partner for Life.

The matrimony is a happier state than celibacy when it means a union of hearts as of fortunes there is little doubt, though many people marry for love, or something they mistake for it, very few of these unions lead to lasting happiness. Why is this? The great reason seems to be that in most lives the ruling passion is self, and upon this rock everything which comes in contact with it is shattered sooner or later. A man will often fancy himself very much in love with a pretty and sprightly girl, and all the more so if she has some means of her own. Now, the real fact of the case very likely is simply that the girl amuses him and he pictures a little home with her as his mistress as a pleasant change from bachelor "diggers". In fact, what he calls love is only another name for pure, unadulterated selfishness. He thinks of him self and not of her, and when he discovers, as he will soon after marriage, that she has rights, claims and wishes to be satisfied as well as himself, he will probably at first feel very much surprised, and then aggrieved and indignant.

Perhaps the girl may be in her way as selfish as the man and have married for the sake of position, wealth independence from parental control, or some equally satisfactory reason. If this be the case, then as soon as the little veneer of mutual attraction and sympathy which they called love is worn off, then both man and woman will find the marriage bond irksome and will look back wistfully to their old days of freedom. In a case like this certainly we cannot say love has been destroyed by marriage, for, though both young people may have fancied they loved, it was a mere delusion, which time and better acquaintance must inevitably have dispelled without the help of matrimony.

Look at a higher and happier marriage, one in which both parties start with a true affection for the other and the capacity for greater love, and also with a firm purpose of making the other happy. A few years pass, and how does one find these wedded lovers? She is probably absorbed in her children and her household cares and her husband is of very secondary importance to her. Why is this? She has simply bored and then alienated her husband's love by demonstrated affection, which in unmarried days was kept in check by maiden coyness and modesty. For a short time it pleased him to feel that she was her all-in-all, and that outside him she had no separate life and interests, but then her devotion palled on him, and he at last, as it were, became quite surfeited with the sweets for which he had never obtained an appetite by fasting.

The Raines Bill.
The Raines liquor license bill which has become a law in the State of New York, and is creating quite a stir, levies a tax of \$800 a year on every saloon or other place in New York City where liquor is sold to be drunk on the premises and \$500 when it is simply sold. In Brooklyn the tax is \$750 and \$400, in Buffalo and \$300, and so on according to population down to \$100 and \$50 in the small towns and villages. There is a provision in the law prohibiting the sale of liquor within 200 feet of the nearest entrance to a private residence, unless the written consent of two-thirds of the owners of the dwellings be secured, and it also prohibits the sale of liquor on Sunday, in saloons or other places.

A Household Remedy.
And it never fails to cure Rheumatism, Catarrh, Piles, Blisters and all diseases arising from impure blood. It is Bland's Blood Balm, (B. B. B.) Thousands endorse it as the best remedy ever offered to mankind. The thousands of cures performed by this remedy are almost innumerable. Try it. Only \$1.00 per bottle. For sale by druggists. See advertisement elsewhere.

An acre of good fishing will yield more in the way of food in a week than an acre of the best land will yield in a year.

AN INJURED HUSBAND SLAIN

AFTER RUINING HIS HOME LEE WEST-MORELAND KILLS ALFRED WELBORN.

A serious difficulty occurred at Thomasville, N. C., Sunday evening about 6 o'clock when Lee Westmoreland and Alfred H. Welborn.

For some time back Westmoreland had grave suspicions that Welborn was too familiar with his wife and Sunday he thought his suspicions were confirmed. They met at Westmoreland's residence. Welborn drew his pistol and struck Westmoreland in the face with it, knocking him down. While Westmoreland was down Welborn shot at him and the bullet grazed his throat. Westmoreland then drew his pistol and fired at Welborn and shot him in the left side of his head. Welborn will probably die. Westmoreland is now in jail, awaiting preliminary trial.

There is considerable feeling at Thomasville is pretty well aroused over the matter. Westmoreland is a nephew of Senator J. F. Westmoreland, editor of the Thomasville News, and about twenty-six years old. Welborn is a farmer about sixty years old.

SAYS HE IS 124 YEARS OLD.
AND NOBODY DISPUTES THE AGE CLAIMED BY SOU'N RABBY.

A dispatch from New Brunswick, N. J., says: Noah Raby, an intimate of the Piscataway Township poorhouse on April 3rd celebrated what he claims to be the one hundred and twenty-fourth anniversary of his birth. He is believed to be the oldest, if not actually so, in the country. Overseer of the Poor Henry G. Hummer says he has little doubt that the great age claimed by the old man is correct. Mr. Hummer has known Raby for over fifty years and says he does not doubt the claim. Raby looks the age he claims. He is bent and wrinkled. His eyes lost their sight and lustre ten years ago, and his teeth are gone. He weighs about 100 pounds. He claims to have been born in Edenton, N. C. His mind is perfectly clear. Fish, rice, bread and milk constitute his meals. He partakes of an occasional glass of whiskey.

He is able to go out of doors when the weather is fine, and can do so alone by means of wires, which have been stretched about the farm along paths he likes to follow. He obtains more pleasure from one trip alone than from a dozen in which he is accompanied.

Edison's X-Rays.
Thomas A. Edison, the scientist, has made some very astonishing statements about the results of his experiments with the X rays. He says that the physician of the future will be able to study his patients alive just as now he learns the cause of death from the autopsy. Consumption will be traced by the physician of the future, Mr. Edison thinks, and that part of the lungs attacked first can be seen by the X-rays.

His recent experiments have developed wonders. He says that he has been able already to look through three thousand-page books laid together.—Ex.

One Farmer Kills Another.
On Tuesday near Gaffney, S. C., two farmers, Cole and Husky, got into an altercation in which Husky received knife wounds in the abdomen from which he died in a few moments. Cole was arrested and lodged in the county jail in Spartanburg. The men were neighbors and fell out about a land transaction. Husky was one of the most prominent farmers in the county.

Spring Time
Is when nearly everyone feels the need of some blood purifying, strength increasing and health producing medicine. The real merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla is the reason of its widespread popularity. Its unequalled success is its best recommendation. The whole system is susceptible to the most good from a medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla taken at this time, and we will lay special stress upon the time and remedy, for history has recorded that delays are dangerous. The remarkable success achieved by Hood's Sarsaparilla and the many words of praise it has received, make it worthy of your confidence. We ask you to give this medicine a fair trial.

Lynched.
On the morning of the 3rd a negro 18 years old was taken from the jail at Tupelo, Tenn., by a mob and lynched in front of the Court House. The prisoner attempted rape on an estimable white lady near Plantersville two weeks ago.

REVIVAL MEETINGS.

IN PROGRESS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF ELIZABETH CITY.

Conducted by Rev. Arthur Crane, the Evangelist, and Prof. Herrmann A. Wolffsohn, the Singer.

Interest in the revival meeting, which began at the Baptist church in this city Tuesday night, increases at every service, as does also the attendance. Even this early in the service it looks as if Elizabeth City is to be visited by a real Pentecostal shower.

Accompanies Evangelist Crane in his noble work for the human family. Mr. Wolffsohn is also an Englishman with German ancestry. He is gifted with a superb and well trained voice. There is a soul winning tenderness in his tones that stir and thrill. While his work shows

the artistic, still it is hidden behind the cross. His enthusiasm is positively contagious and people who never sing find their tongues loosened to make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

The ministers of all denominations have been invited to attend and take part in the meeting. The very first announcement made by Dr. Blackwell at the beginning of the meeting was that the object was to save souls. After being born again he wanted them to feel perfectly free to connect themselves with whatever church they desired and felt that they could do the most good in, and best enjoy the Christian religion.

All Accounted For.
Years ago the courts in western New York found it a matter of great difficulty to collect juries for the trial of cases. Not many of the men of the region took enough interest in the carrying on of courts of justice to be willing to leave their daily work to answer even an imperative summons to the jury box.

One case of considerable importance was postponed from day to day, so the story runs, on account of the mysterious disappearance every morning of some of the twelve men who had been drawn and sworn on the jury; there were never more than eight of these unwilling victims to be found at one and the same time. One morning, however, when the judge's patience had entirely departed, the sheriff came bursting into the courtroom, his face flushed with the excitement of victory.

"It's all right now, your Honor!" he cried joyfully. "You can try the case today, for we'll have the jury by twelve o'clock sure. It ain't but ten o'clock now, and I've got eleven of 'em locked up in my barn, and we're running the twelfth man with dogs, your Honor!"—*Youth's Companion.*

Scared His Wife to Death.
John Ahrens, a farmer, living in Kingman county, Kans., concluded to celebrate All Fools' Day by playing a joke on his wife. He dressed as a tramp, put on a mask, and at his door tried to induce his wife to set him a lunch. She was so terrified that she fell to the floor and died soon after.

A Serious Accident.
During the services Sunday morning at Cumberland Street M. E. Church, Norfolk, Va., Miss Helen Capps, a young lady about seventeen years of age, was taken suddenly ill, and had to leave the church. As she reached the head of the steps to the basement of the edifice, she fell, and was precipitated to the floor below, receiving a severe gash in the forehead, and being rendered senseless by the force of the fall. She was removed to her home on Chapel street. Drs. H. M. Nash and Hunter attended her, and at last succeeded in restoring her to consciousness. She is still, however, very ill from the shock, and painful injuries she sustained.

As baldness makes one look prematurely old, so a full head of hair gives to mature life the appearance of youth. To secure this and prevent the former, Ayer's Hair Vigor is confidently recommended. Both ladies and gentlemen prefer it to any other dressing.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Baptists of Wake Forest College, have decided to build a brick church, to cost from \$6,000 to \$8,000. It is the only town in the State of its size without a church of any denomination.

Chief Clerk Denmark recently found \$43,300 in bonds in the old vault in the wall of the treasurer's office at Raleigh. The bonds if held by private individuals would be worth in new bonds \$6,495.

The *Biblical Recorder* says it has hopes of seeing started next year a reformatory for youthful criminals.

There is only one dog in Richmond county, N. C.—that is, only one was listed for taxation, says the *Rocket*.

A bill has passed the Ohio Legislature substituting electrocution for hanging.

State Treasurer Worth is to make a collection of the portraits of the 10 persons who have held office as Treasurer. At first there were two Treasurers; the State being divided into the northern and the southern district.

Newbern Journal: The ice factory which was established at Roanoke Island this year to furnish ice to the shippers has proven to be a much appreciated convenience. It can turn out ten tons per day, and the daily shipment of 4,000 and 5,000 boxes of fish creates a good and constant demand for the output.

The North Carolina Supreme Court upheld the action of Gov. Carr in removing Commander Francis Winslow from command of the North Carolina naval reserves. The court holds that the Governor acted within his right.

The tour, during all of March, of Polk Miller in aid of the Vance Memorial fund, has ended. It was a success. The net result to the fund approximates \$1,000. At least \$7,500 is needed.

The work of laying the foundation for the monument to mark the birthplace of George Washington at Wakefield, Va., has been completed. Some old spoons and marbles found while excavating will be preserved as relics. The pedestal will now be put in position and the shaft raised in a few days.

At Mayodan, the new town near Madison, N. C., nine children were born in one day. Six of the children were born to three ladies, each lady giving birth to twins, and the fourth triplets, total 9 children.—*Mt. Airy News.*

An attempt was made a few nights ago to wreck Mississippi's State capitol.

The report of the tobacco industry in North Carolina for 1895 shows that 82,000,000 pounds of leaf were grown, which sold for 3 cents a pound, on an average, a total of \$6,500,000. For plug, twist, cigars and cigarettes 35,000,000 pounds were raised, and the product was worth \$7,500,000.

Much interest is being demonstrated in Raleigh in the matter of raising funds for a public library for that city.

The Prohibitionists of Norfolk will nominate a full city ticket, a convention having been called for that purpose, April 13.

The crop outlook for North Carolina is very good.

More than 40,000,000 small fish were placed in Lake Erie recently by the New York State fish hatchery.

Speaker Reed's friends say that he is serving his last term in Congress, whether he is nominated for the Presidency by his party or not.

The Southern Interstate Immigration and Industrial Association is making active preparations for the Settler's Convention, which will be held at Southern Pines, N. C., on May 5th, and the indications are that the gathering will not only be a large one, but fruitful of much good.

THE BIRDS OF THE SWAMP.

A. K. Fisher Explores the Dismal Swamp and tells what he saw.

A. K. Fisher, of the United States Department of Agriculture, who has recently explored the Dismal Swamp for the Government, publishes a lengthy article in the *New York Journal* describing what he saw. In it he says that the ornithologist who visits the Dismal Swamp in summer will be disappointed at the comparatively few birds breeding there. About forty-five kinds were found in June, and of these not over ten species were uncommon enough to be at all noticeable. The handsome prothonotary warbler, in its plumage of orange and white, enlivens the cane everywhere, and its sweet song is heard throughout the day, as clearly when coming from the dark and sombre wastes beyond as from the bright and sunny openings. Scarcely does the naturalist push his way into the canebrake before a metallic chirp is heard, and almost immediately a yellow-breasted bird with black head markings appears flitting about with half spread tail. This is the hooded warbler, another common inhabitant of the swamp. The rare Swainson's warbler, heretofore not known so far North, was seen on several occasions.

Diurnal birds of prey are not very common, but owls are abundant, and their weird and varied calls are among the common sounds that break the stillness of the night and the quiet slumbers of the sleeper. Herons are scarce, and during the summer season the wood duck is the only water fowl found there. In the fall, however, ducks, geese and occasionally swans come in at early morn from the outside, where they are harassed by gunners, to rest in security on the lake throughout the day. At this season the thickets, brakes and forests also swarm with the migrating horde of small birds, and the numerous sparrows, thrushes and others find a variety of food among the ripening berries.

Of the large mammals found in the swamp, bear, deer, wildcats, raccoons, otters, opossums, mink, rabbits and squirrels are more or less abundant. Years ago stock strayed from domestication into this wilderness, multiplied, and finally formed considerable herds of cattle as wild as any native denizen of the forest. Of late years they have been hunted a good deal for their flesh, and consequently are wilder and much less numerous.

The bears sometimes attack and kill cattle by springing on their backs and biting the ligaments of their neck until they are severed. We saw the skeleton of a cow that had been eaten by bears, and the ground in the vicinity was beaten down by their tracks, showing that they returned to the carcass until it was completely devoured. The bears are very common and numbers are killed every year. One hunter secured eleven in a month a year or two ago. During the summer they feed on various kinds of roots and berries and when fall comes live almost exclusively on those of the sour gum.

It is wonderful to see how bears tear the limbs of the giant gum trees, in their efforts to reach the fruit. They climb to the top of the trees among the smaller branches and bend and break them so as to secure the berries. Often after one of their visitations a tree looks as if its limbs had been struck by lightning, and it takes years for them to fully recover from the effects of the rough treatment. The stomach of a large bear we killed contained several quarts of these berries, and nothing else. Although deer are quite common, it is difficult to shoot them, unless they are driven into the lake by the dogs. Wildcats are common, and a fine old one was shot

as it crouched among the fallen timber on the lake shore. The raccoons fairly swarmed during the dry weather of last fall. Their tracks were everywhere, and during the night droves congregated about the small, muddy pools in the otherwise dry ditches, where they reaped a rich harvest of the fish and eels contained therein. They were a great annoyance by getting into the traps set for nobler game. Some years gray squirrels are very plentiful and afford great sport to the hunter. In the fall, when the lake is high, they are seen running along the logs on the shore, busily engaged in gleaning from the water the floating seeds of the tupelo, of which they are very fond. At such times it is not difficult to secure a good number by shooting them, while quietly paddling in a canoe along the shore. There are a number of small animals among the mice and shrews which are of great interest to the naturalist, but are rarely seen.

Strange as it may seem, the great swamp is a perfectly healthy place and is free from malarial fevers and kindred diseases. It is a fact, moreover, that people from the surrounding country sometimes go there to regain health. The water is so dark that it is nearly the color of whiskey, and is cool and pleasant to the taste. Sailing vessels, when starting on a voyage, used to fill their casks with this water, as it remained sweet so much longer than water procured at any other place.

Killed Wife and Child.
Fred Bemer, living seven miles north of McLeansboro, Ill., killed his wife and 2 year old child Sunday afternoon. The woman was cut and mangled in a horrible manner and her body was thrown out and covered with corn stalks and an old carpet. The little boy was hung by the neck to a raft. Bemer fled, but is closely pursued.

Gen. Harrison Married.
At St. Thomas church, New York City, General Harrison, twenty-third President of the United States, entered into the holy bonds of wedlock with Mrs. Mary Scott Dimmick, at 6 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Met With a Horrible Death.
Jesse Powers met with a horrible death Tuesday morning by falling on a rapidly revolving saw at a saw mill about six miles south of Lynchburg, Va. He was fearfully mutilated and death was instantaneous.

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