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LOCAL NEWS.

"God save the State!"
That speech did the work for the charter.
The school rolls of honor will be in next week.
The Legislature closes on Saturday by limitation.
The Health of the community seems to be on the up-grade.
As we go to press the inauguration ceremonies are in progress.
We are in favor of quadrennial sessions of the Legislature of North Carolina.
Our Dads see their way clear now, but taxpayers of the town don't see their way so clear.
Mr. S. E. Speight is putting up a handsome residence on the corner of Dyer and Fearing streets.
Wednesday was Ash-Wednesday in the Church Calendar, the first day of the Lenten season.
The docket of law abiding Camden county will be taken up next week, Judge Bryan presiding.
Mr. Polk Miller is booked for one of his entertaining lectures of dialect recitals in this place April 8th.
Mr. Bright, of the firm of Fowler & Co., has returned from the North with a large stock of new dry goods.
The wild goose honk is now heard at night in the upper air en route for septentrional regions and the backbone of the Winter is broken.
We are in receipt of the University Record, a quarterly publication at Chapel Hill devoted to the interests of the University of North Carolina.
The Gaston Literary Society of the A. C. I. had a debate at their hall on Friday night. It is a useful institution, and bears an honored name.
Mr. James A. Price, of Rocky Mount, has arrived and taken charge of the warping department of the E. City Cotton Mills. The mills are now a humming.
Rev. J. H. Hall and wife lost an infant child on Monday morning. "Blessed are those that die in the Lord." "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."
Mr. Overman is at work on the Opera House over his store, and now our people will laugh again unless our prodigal step dads squeeze all of the juice out of our lemon.
Drummers are now on the move and they give bad accounts of the general condition of the country, and say that the people of this part of North Carolina are better off than any where else.
Mr. R. J. Mitchell proposes to leave this town and emigrate to Norfolk, Virginia, about the middle of the year. He is a prominent dry goods merchant and his departure creates some surprise.
Our representatives at the inauguration in Washington, are Miss Sue Grandy, Miss Nettie Burgess, Messrs M. B. Calpepper, Peter Shipp, Fred Thompson, Charles Guirkin, J. Kraver, and Jos. McCabe.

A memorial service was held at the Methodist church on Sunday in memory of the late Gibbs T. Liverman. Professor Hinton, of the public school of E. City, and others, paid handsome tributes to his life and character.

The article by Capt. Sam Ashe in a late number of the News & Observer, of Raleigh, upon the illiteracy of North Carolina and its remedies, is a thoughtful and considered one, and should be studied by every patriot in the State.

The sun and the March winds have come to lift our corporation councilmen out of the mud. They ought to thank their stars, for they were leaving us all covered with mud and the city orders were stuck 75 cents in the dollar, under the mud.

In a recent trial for murder in Tarboro, Don Gilliam, a former citizen of this town, delivered a speech for the defence which is highly commended by the Tarboro Press, for its brilliancy in eloquence, and effectiveness in argument and legal learning.

We received a letter this week from "Bally of Mecklenburg," now W. B. Baily, of Houston, Texas, where he edits the "Houston Herald." He is a native of Pasquotank county, son of Judge J. L. Baily, dec'd. We greatly appreciate his kindness and compliments.

When our Representative Pool and Senator Whedbee return from their arduous labors in Raleigh, they ought to be tendered a banquet of cold victuals by the citizens of the town for their successful efforts in amending the charter of this town and for increasing its taxation.

Capt. D. C. Packard left last week with the steam Yacht "Sanible" for Havre de Grace, Maryland to meet Mr. C. A. Flint, the Rubber Trust magnate and owner of the Yacht. Capt. Packard, who has spent three winters in our harbor, is a great favorite here and the regrets of many friends follow him.

The Mile Post Bulletins of the Hathaway Bros. our reliable jewelers, are signals of enterprise to our people in the country, invitations to trade, and pledges of fairness in business, uprightness in character and courtesy in deportment. We take real pleasure in endorsing them from personal knowledge.

Our Dads ought to kick them selves. The Legislature would have given them a dollar increase of Special tax, just as soon as 25 cents or 10 cents. There are plenty of hungry Pubs on our streets "pressing bricks" who could have had a fat and easy place if the Dads had only asked for enough tax to give them all places.

Mr. R. J. Mitchell, a prominent dry goods merchant of this town, has rented a store in Norfolk, Va., on Main street, has deposited \$1 000 in Bank in that city, as security for rent, and will open his business there on the 1st of July. Meanwhile he will close out his stock at nominal prices, at cost, or below cost.

Mr. George Durant Reed, formerly of this city, but recently of Baltimore, died at the Home for Consumptives, Denver Colorado, Monday 22nd February, age 21 years. Though in a strange land kind hands and loving hearts prepared him for burial, and covered his grave with roses and calla lilies. His body was interred in Fairmount Cemetery, Denver.

It seems that the Legislature of North Carolina thought fit to give our prodigal city dads "More morn" to run the town on the Republican plan. The Dads got skeered or the Solons of the Legislature would have allowed them as much as they wanted to tax our people, for the purpose of a heavier special tax, a bigger salary to the Mayor, a big salary to the chairman of the council and a special boot black and bottle washer.

Body Found.

The body of Captain Richard Leigh Sawyer, who was drowned from the barge McKeever on Tuesday, Feb. 2d, was discovered by a steam tug on Saturday, Feb. 27th, near Davis Bay on Pasquotank river, and was brought to this town on Sunday by Luther Lassiter and John Hetrick, two young friends of the deceased. The body was much decayed when found, but had not been disturbed by fish. It was interred in the Episcopal cemetery on Sunday evening, Rev. J. C. Hall, of the Methodist church, officiating.

The body of the deceased was in an erect position in the water when found, being kept in that position by a heavy pair of gum boots which he had on, and the watch on his person pointed to half past one o'clock.

Capt. Sawyer was a great favorite with those who knew him in this town, and his death was much lamented. He was a son of John Sawyer, of Nixonton, and grandson of the late Mark Sawyer, of Pasquotank county, both of whom were influential and popular men, and distinguished for intelligence and high character.

All Hail! Opera House!

An Opera House is in sight. It has been long wanted, much talked of and much written about, and all the time Jack has been a dull boy, and a dull boy being the father of a dull, slothful and lethargic man, the population have come and gone and left the town no better and a little worse, one generation following the other in the same dog trot way, and having no vent for their natural vitality except an occasional dog fight, an old fashion coon hunt, and rarely the luxury of a gouging street fist-cuff.

A better day is dawning. Charlie Overman, a lucky man, an enterprising citizen, who has never known defeat in his business undertakings, who thinks that man was not born to grunt and growl from his cradle to his grave, who believes in the gospel of hilarity and fun, has determined to give our people an opportunity to laugh and grow fat, by building a new, commodious and modern Opera House over his furniture store on the corner of Poindexter and Matthews streets. Every body says it is the very place for an Opera House in Betsy Town. A more central place could not have been selected, a more convenient place or a more accessible place. Charlie Overman is not a man who does things by halves, or in a dog-trot fashion. He is a hummer from the word "go," and he is at work on his Opera House now, and before other men are done talking about it he will have an Opera troupe of established reputation making our staid people split their sides over some new jokes and funny stories, or weeping like children over some sad recital of human suffering.

So let us all bless Charley O. and stop whining, and take things as they come along, and when we are in a pining mood about the turn politics have taken, or about the incompetency and short comings of our City Fathers, or about the finances of the town, or about the muddy streets or the weather, or the hard times, just go some evening to Charlie Overman's Opera House and laugh it all over; and next morning we'll all feel better—thankes. And now, what is every man's duty? This: Give the new Opera House a helping hand, helping word and patronage. Man is the only laughing animal created by the Almighty, and he who promotes hilarity and consequent happiness is a public benefactor and a co-laborer with God.

Shakespearean.

It is an exhibition of great vanity to question any opinion of Shakespeare, and it might involve the death of Dr. Hume, of the University, and might subject us to the crime of infidelity to friendship. But high authority proclaims that truth should prevail though the heavens fall. Therefore we are emboldened to say that the grand old man, who held horses at the theatre and stole deer out of Sir John's park, was in error when he put the school boy in one of his "seven stages" and represented him as a snail "creeping unwillingly to school." If Shakespeare's boy nature was the same as Sheep's and Hinton's boy nature, then our friend of Avon was egregiously in error, for the boys and girls we pass every day en route to school are the happiest specimens of humanity that we meet. To our mind their gait to school is suggestive rather of a fawn than a snail, and their walk approximates a skip rather than a creep. It is an inspiration of happiness to us to look at their little pedals as they play back and forth under them like the paddles of a steam tug.

Happy children! happy girls! happy boys! happy in your homes, happy in your lives, happy in the period of the world in which your lot has been cast, in the period when the burch, and the ruler, and the paddle, and the fool's cap, and the dunce block, and the peas in shoes, and Solomon's advice are unknown, and when school session opens life is one long summer day of happiness.

THERE'S AN END

To everything. But there's no use in crying over what you've lost. Sometimes you never know what you have lost until you see what you might have had. Mistakes are good things when they sharpen the eyes and spur the brain. Caution grows from mistakes. If you are cautious and keen, you'll find interest in our methods.

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MARY F. SMALL, Administrator.
February 20th, 1897.

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