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LOCAL NEWS.

We have received from Dr. Dillard of Edenton a photograph of Bandon as it is.—Thanks.

J. W. Dance brought us a cotton pod fully opened on Monday, which is the first we have seen raised this season.

Charles Gaikin has been appointed clerk to the Board of town commissioners in place of Charles A. Banks appointed Mayor.

George Morris and Miss Maggie Spence, both of South Mills, took that community by surprise on Sunday by a quiet home wedding.

Dr. R. B. Swindell and wife have returned from Denver, Col., where they had gone for the benefit of the doctor's health. He has improved.

The excursion to Nag's Head on Tuesday, under the auspices of the Hotel, was a signal success. The Newbern left the wharf with a large and happy crowd.

The North Carolina Journal of Education of Greensboro presented its clean and welcome face in our office on Saturday. Its literary and mechanical character are both excellent.

Mr. J. F. Engle has returned from Bermuda and made us a pleasant and instructive call on Wednesday. His conversation about the "Summer Isles" of Bermuda are rich in interest and instruction.

We had an interesting call Wednesday from Mr. J. S. Shaw, of Winton, N. C., a brother of our old and valued friend Hon. W. P. Shaw. He was up from Nag's Head where he has been for some days.

Mrs. W. O. Temple, of this town, has returned home from Nag's Head on account of the sickness of her infant child. Her little son "Griffin" who was sick when she went to Nag's Head has entirely recovered.

The following persons were elected by the Board of Education for the Public School of this town on Monday as principal and assistants of the school: W. M. Hintor, principal; Misses Linda DeLeon; Lina James; Minnie Graves; Clintonia Cartwright, assistants.

Rev. G. W. Pettit and wife were in town some days last week and Mr. Pettit preached in the Methodist church Sunday night. He is the founder of the Pettit line of steamers which has become so valuable an institution to Elizabeth City.

A serious cave in of the bank at the canal where the work is going on at South Mills resulted in the probable fatal injury of John Allen of Elizabeth City, and the serious injury of another and a slight injury of a third on Friday. Allen's face was terribly mashed by a bucket loaded with mud.

Elizabeth City has been this week a base ball batting ground. On Tuesday the Junior Giants of E. City and the Junior Team of Hertford crossed bats and the Giants scored 18 to 3. On Tuesday evening the Fairfield team and the cyclones of this town crossed bats and the Fairfield easily won by a score of 12 to 10.

Mr. James N. Hudson, of Amboy, Chown county, was arrested on the charge of cutting open the U. S. mail bag and taking from it a registered letter. He was brought here Tuesday by deputy U. S. Marshal Charles Thompson and tried by U. S. Commissioner M. B. Culpeper and placed under bond of \$300 for his appearance at the Federal court. H. T. Gregory P. O. Inspector represented the Government and G. W. Ward Esq. the defendant.

The Greenville papers notice the serious sickness of Hon. Harry Skinner at his home there.

Our Naval Reserves were out on drill Saturday. In white duck and bronzed complexion, from the Nag's Head encampment, they presented a very military aspect. Col. B. S. Royster, of Oxford, Inspector General of the State Guard, made an inspection of them; and we are gratified that he pronounced it the most thoroughly drilled and equipped company in the State.

Chas. A. Banks was elected mayor of this town at a meeting of the Council on Monday, to succeed Mayor Pool, deceased. Mr. Banks comes of best old native stock of Pasquotank county. His father was a worthy man, and if the new mayor is like him he is all right. We shall make no factious opposition to him. We prefer to commend than to condemn, but we are constrained to warn the mayor of the case of good dog Tray when he fell into bad company.

Mrs. Anderson M. White, of Nixonton, sent us on Saturday a freak of nature formed in its most festive mood—a double squash, or two squashes blended into one. It is a most perfect union, emblematic of conjugal blessedness, and suggestive of the Siamese twins, Chang and Eng. You can't tell one from the other, they so commingle. We have hung them up to dry and intend them as a bridal gift to the happy benedicts of the Park Fair, with the lessons which it suggests.

Tax Valuation of Pasquotank County.

The following is the tax valuation of Pasquotank county by townships:

Township	1896	1897
Salem	\$ 189,850	\$ 196,802
Nixonton	214,819	199,152
Mt. Hermon	126,417	127,639
Providence	91,133	93,017
Newland	149,435	154,521
Elizabeth City	1,359,000	1,461,730
Total	\$2,130,384	\$2,232,821

There is an increase of tax valuation of property in 1897 over 1896 of \$102,437. There is an increase valuation in all the townships except Nixonton, where there is a decrease of \$15,667. It will be seen from the above that Elizabeth City township pays nearly two thirds of the taxes of the county.

The Park Fair.

The Fair looks breezy. The merchant advertisers have been liberal in their patronage, contributors to the exhibit are on the alert, and the Directory of the Fair are doing their whole duty and as never before. We hope that it will not be invidious to say that Mr. Walter Cohoon who is editing a special publication in the interest of the Park Fair is doing his whole duty and has put an amount of energy and ability in the publication, that is worthy of all commendation. It must and will produce fruits. He gets out a large edition which is gratuitously distributed at the suggestion of the advertisers and for their benefit.

Let us all lend a hand and do what we can. Let us all get rid of the antiquated idea that a person must put nothing on exhibition unless it be an elephant, a catamount or a pig with twelve legs and a monkey's face. No man is so poor that he cannot send something that visitors will pause to look at. We shall send a corn cob and a squash. That looks little but we are not ashamed. The corn cob is a reproduction of a human hand, with the exception that the thumb is deformed which is owing to the fact that the boy that tended the crop on which the corn cob grew had a deformed thumb. D. T. Pritchard of Camden is our authority. The squash we shall contribute was sent to us by Mrs. A. M. White, of Nixonton. It is an emblem of two souls united in a single thought and should be presented to every bridal couple as an emblem of unity and inseparable destiny.

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Nag's Head.

This venerable sanitarium, entwined in the hearts of our people by a thousand tender associations of family and friendship, is drawing towards the close of its season, and we trust it has been a financial and social success. To those who have visited it this season in search of health, we suggest that they tarry a while longer, as September is confessedly more plethoric with disease than any other of the twelve sisters, and it is the month of all the others in which the quiet enjoyments of Nag's Head are most abundant. The ocean is greener, the fish are sweeter and begin to take on their fat as a reserve for the winter, the birds are gentler and more abundant, and the seagull's scream is wilder and more weird, the porpoise gambols in a more festive mood, the curlew whistles a more sonorous note, and the willet's song of joys departed, is more pleasing and wonderful. Nature at Nag's Head in September is more solemn in all her aspects and seems in closer communion with the Deity, of whom it is the grandest representative. Mountains may tower in mute grandeur. Mountain may pile upon mountain, and the everlasting crags rise one upon another to greet the sun in his coming. They are the deaf mutes of nature. They do not proclaim with thunder tones the majesty of the Almighty, as does the grand and mighty deep. Nag's Head in September is in its glory. It is then the paradise of the thoughtful, the balm of the feeble, the solace of the sickly. Ye who yet need nature's hygiene, stay, stay longer, stay till the chill breezes of October brace the nerves and drive away the fever lingering breath. Those who have sought the sanitarium for health, stay till October whispers to you with its frosty breath. Those of you who have been there for old friends' reunions, for hilarity, for fun, for the exchange of yarns, and all the pastimes that flesh is heir to, carry away the blessed memories of your Nag's Head sojourn with you and be thankful.

We hope it has been a financial success to the Grace Brothers and to all who have catered for the public health and happiness.

We don't want Nag's Head to become distinguished as a fashionable resort. We want it to be what it has always been, a sanitarium, a nursery, a fountain of health and happiness for the people of Eastern North Carolina, where the home feeling prevails, where childhood forms indissoluble friendships, and families establish life long intimacies.

C. B. Rouss.

Mr. Wm. Mercer, of Cresswell, made us a pleasant call on Monday. He gave us an interesting account of his visit to New York in the interest of the new Episcopal Church building at Cresswell, in which he met with success. We were particularly interested in the account he gave us of an interview with Mr. C. B. Rouss, the blind millionaire of New York, who has been so noted for his charities for years. Mr. Mercer called at the office of Mr. Rouss, and had much difficulty in reaching him, and but for his pluck and perseverance, never would have got through the red tape bureau of placemen. He at length did reach him, and found him blind as a bat and bright as a lark. He had no open charity for objects of Christian charity, but in rejecting the application of Mr. Mercer, asked if there were any poor in Cresswell, and being assured that poverty was their heritage and an indigenous growth, he presented a gift and asked him to apply it to the benefit of the poor of the town, and left its administration to his discretion.

Mr. Rouss is one of the most remarkable men of the day. His early career was dogged by failure, but his pluck never failed him. He seemed to gather strength from defeat and marched up when he fell. He failed in Virginia, then went to New York, where the tide of his destiny changed and his monumental success is a lesson of perseverance under adverse circumstances that young men may study with advantage.

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The Tangled Web of the Market Stalls.

The market stalls were a source of revenue to the town under the Democratic administration. The policy of the Republicans when they came in was to undo whatever the Democrats had done. They closed the market stalls and threw away the revenue. They found out their mistake and adopted an ordinance that the market stalls should be rented at a fixed price to the highest bidder. Now, the market stalls have become a tangled web of business that is not easily untangled, and which smells of rottenness and corruption. Look! An ordinance was adopted authorizing the Clerk of the Board to rent all of the stalls of the market house as follows: Stalls 1 and 2 not less than \$350; 3 and 4 not less than \$250, and all others not less than \$100 each, same to be rented at public bidding. The first four stalls were put up and no one bid on them. The butchers asked that the others be put up as advertised and provided by town ordinance. This was declined. An outsider seeing a chance for speculation made a proposition to the Clerk and Chairman, that he would take the first two stalls at \$350, each provided he would change the \$100 stalls and place them at \$200 so no one would rent them. The Clerk then got another outsider to agree to take the 3d stall upon the same condition. The Board then held a secret meeting and changed the ordinance as requested by the outsiders, and a private renting was made to them. At the time this private renting was being made the butchers asked to rent the \$100 stalls and let the outsiders have the others if they desired. The Clerk and Chairman said no. The butchers then said the Board had not treated them right and asked for a hearing, and offered to guarantee the market house should not bring less than \$1,300. That as outsiders had rented all of the first four, they did not desire to interfere with their contracts but would take the next four at \$100 each. The outsiders opposed this, and claimed they rented at private renting and it was agreed that the other stalls should be rented at \$200 each or not at all. All of the commissioners agreed that \$100 each for all of the stalls except the first four was all they were worth. The butchers then told the Board that the outsiders wanted this in order that they could speculate upon them, and one of the stalls had been sublet at \$50 bonus, as the back stalls were not worth the amount demanded, and it was to pay this bonus or not have a stall. The Board said they had nothing to do with the bonus. The butchers said they did not have a show at the stalls since the secret meeting, and if the other stalls were to remain at \$200, to place all up at public bidding and they would guarantee the market should bring not less than \$1,300. Now, all this transaction looks to us like something is "rotten in Denmark." Some money has gone wrong, and we would hold our peace if it was private business, and our Faber would not move a peg. But "public office is a public trust" and one of the penalties of office is its openness to investigation. Who's got that money? The town has lost the difference between what was offered by the butchers and the price it was sold for to another. And the outsider made something by his speculation. Who's got the money? Dr. Griggs, the only Democrat on the Board, refused to sanction the deal, and rightly, because of suspected fraud, and also because the agent of the Board was not authorized to deal with persons outside the butchers who had rented the stalls. Where is the money? Who's got it? Is there anything rotten in the transaction? A public office is a public trust and any citizen has the right to investigate it.

Shooting Scrape.

A man named Dodge, a crank, lives on the shore of Aligator River, between Gum Neck and Kilkany. When the steamer Burrus, of the Fairfield line, was on her last trip to this town, some young men on the boat amused themselves by hallooing to Dodge and jeering him with silly and ridiculous questions. Dodge got his gun and fired into the crowd on the boat. There was little or no damage. Sheriff Mann, of Fairfield, was hit but not wounded. Dodge reloaded and fired again but did no damage. A warrant was sworn out at Gum Neck for his arrest when it was learned that there was already a warrant against him for some criminal offence. It was wrong in the boys to jeer the poor hermit, but his vengeance was too heavily loaded for the offence.

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E. E. LAMB, June 11th, 1897. tf

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The lots are well situated, being well drained and in an excellent neighborhood that is being rapidly built up with first class residences.

This sale is a forced one, there being liens on the property that must be closed. I am authorized to sell the property at private sale, and those who may desire to invest, would do well to examine it and to call at my office and examine a map of the same.

A liberal discount will be made from the prices now asked for the lots to one who will purchase them in bulk, and reasonable time allowed on deferred payments. The proceeds of sales will be applied to the payment of existing liens until they shall be fully paid up and released and perfect title assured.

For further information inquiry may be made of the or of any responsible citizen of this town personally or by letter. A full investigation of the titles of the property and existing liens upon it, and of its present and prospective value is invited.

FRANK VAUGHAN, Elizabeth City, N. C.

Notice of Administration.

Having qualified as administrator of the late T. D. Pendleton, I hereby give notice to all persons indebted to his estate to come forward and make immediate settlement and those holding claims against the same to present them for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice, or it will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

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