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Danl. Banks of Baltimore is Here To See About City Water Works

Promises Pure Water Just As Soon As--?

**Filter Ordered to Make
the Water Pure For
Us. Gas Plant Plans
Are Under Way He
Says.**

Mr. Daniel B. Banks, of Baltimore, who holds the franchises for the water works, the electric light and power plant, the proposed street railway and the proposed gas plant is in the city today. Mr. Banks came to town over the Norfolk and Southern Railroad, from Norfolk, arriving here at noon.

Mr. Banks is at the office of the Elizabeth City Water & Power Co., with Mr. H. Clay Tunis this afternoon. He is as cheerful and deferential as usual but with it all reticent, as becomes an astute financier.

Mr. Banks is here relative to the water situation. He is interested also in the progress of the plans for the gas plant for which the city gave him a franchise in June.

He says that he wants to give the people of Elizabeth City good water. He gave an order for a Greer filter, which he says ought to prepare the water to come up to the conditions required by his franchise. That filter ought to be here now he says and will be put in operation at once. "We are giving this water situation here a lot of thought," he says, "and we believe that the water will be beyond criticism in future."

Mr. Banks says that plans for the gas plant are being made and that no delay will occur in putting the plant in and getting it in operation. Orders for much of the material have been placed he says. The exact date on which the gas will be turned into the mains for the use of consumers is not stated. The plant will have to be completed in twenty months however or he will have to forfeit his franchise and risk a competitor getting it. Besides he will have to pay the city \$5,000 for violating his franchise.

Mr. Banks will be in the city until Monday. While here he will devote nearly all of his time in conferences with local representatives of his franchises.

Vaults Walls Are Four Feet Thick

The two new vaults for the offices of the Clerk of the Court and Register of Deeds, in the county court house, stand completed today with the exception of doors and furnishings. The doors and furniture for the two vaults are expected on the next incoming freight and workmen are waiting to put them in position. It is hoped to have the vaults completed and ready for use Monday morning.

These vaults were built by the J. F. Smith, Fireproof Construction Co., of Washington, D. C. They will cost the county \$5,500. They are said to be absolutely fireproof. They are built of brick, cement, steel and iron. The walls are about four feet thick.

POSTAL WIRE OPEN MONDAY MORNING.

The Postal Telegraph & Cable Co. will open its new office, next door to the Arlington hotel, in Water St., Monday morning. A young lady operator will be in charge of the office. She will be sent to this city from some of one of the large offices, of the company elsewhere.

Mr. J. F. Heard, District Foreman, of the company, who was restrained yesterday, in putting in call boxes, as told in this newspaper will go before the Board of Aldermen Monday night and ask for formal permission to put in the call boxes in commercial houses here. It is understood that there will be some objection to his request offered by the Western Union and the Elizabeth City & Norfolk Telegraph Co., the rival line.

LAZINESS IN CHILDREN IS A DISEASE.

**That is The Interesting
New Theory Ad-
vanced By "Ameri-
can Medicine."**

Certainly not all lazy persons suffer from disease of the brain, but, according to an editorial writer in American Medicine (Philadelphia), lassitude in children is often a cerebral symptom, and should not be overlooked as such. Says this writer:

"Change of disposition in children is often wrongly interpreted, and both parents and teachers have recourse to various means to secure improvement, such as reprimanding, forcing, depriving of food, etc. although the conditions grow worse instead of improving. A child, for example, enjoying heretofore good health, all at once undergoes a radical change: he becomes slow in his actions, takes more time than usual in eating, dressing, studying. His intellectual faculties become less vivid, memory fails, he lacks attention. The condition is diagnosed as 'laziness' and bodily punishment will not improve the condition, but strictly medical attention. The subject is certainly important from a practical standpoint, as the future of such a patient depends upon the early recognition of the pathologic condition. It should be borne in mind by every parent or teacher. Cheerfulness, laughter, vivaciousness, are all attributes of youth, and if these characteristic features of childhood are rapidly replaced by lassitude and impairment of intelligence the condition is undoubtedly morbid."

Ye Old Fashioned Plain Stick Candy. Best for children. As good as any for Grown-ups. W. T. DEAN & Co.



EVEN THE WORM WILL TURN.

Time was when the Russian army officer could insult and ruthlessly shoot down an inferior without justification, and the rest of the inferiors would silently submit. Time is when the poor Russian private will rebel.

A NEW R. F. D. WILL BE PUT ON AT ONCE

Mr. W. S. Plummer, Rural Free Delivery Agent, of Washington, who has been engaged for the past few days in going over the R. F. D. Routes in the upper section of this county with a view to making changes, improving the service to the farmers of that section informs this newspaper that he has rearranged route no 4 and has proposed the establishment of a new loop route to be known as route No. 7, to serve the people in the North Western Section of the county. With the rearrangement of Route No. 4 and the establishment of the new loop route No. 7 it will be possible for every body in that section of the county to get their mail every day at their very doors whereas heretofore many have had to go three or four miles to route no 4 and get their mail from boxes exposed to any possible pilferer.

As it stands rearranged Route No 4 will serve patrons over a route of 21 miles. Loop Route No. 7 will extend over 17 miles.

Mr. Plummer says that he is very well pleased with the Rural Free Delivery Service in this county as it will be carried out when the proposed change and addition has been brought about.

Hotel Guests.

Following are the guest registered at The Arlington: L. B. Howell, St. Louis; E. S. Smith, Philadelphia Pa; A. T. Evans, Baltimore, Md; W. G. Brinkley and wife, Norfolk, Va; Chas. E. Simpson, Norfolk, Va; Morris Brenner, New York, N. Y; W. A. Hespel, Baltimore, Md; W. T. Cox, Norfolk, Va.

A Little warm, Yes

Elizabeth City had a foretaste of a threatened hot wave this morning. At noon the thermometer was registering 90 degrees in many parts of the city. Only a few thermometers in doors got any where near the 80 mark.

THREE BIG MEETS NEAR AT HAND

The County Commissioners will meet in the court house Monday at noon.

The Board of Aldermen will meet in the city hall at 8 o'clock Monday Evening.

The Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night week.

Important matters concerning public interests are expected to be taken up at all of the above meetings. Matters bearing on the news of the week will be an application, to the Board of Aldermen, by the Postal Telegraph Co., for permission to put call boxes in commercial houses in this city, and the presentation of a bill for \$5,500 to the County Commissioners for the new vaults in the court house.

Owing to the absence of City Attorney Thompson some matters to come before the Aldermen may have to be laid over until the September meeting.

Saloon Men Wanted at "Anti" Meet.

The Anti Saloon League of Elizabeth City, will meet at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Northern Methodist Church in Pearl St. Rev. H. M. North, pastor of the City Road Methodist Church, and a prominent Anti Saloon League worker in speaking of this meeting to be held tomorrow said that he wished that more of the people who are opposed to the Anti Saloon work would attend this meeting.

He says that very few of the Saloon people attend the meetings. Personally he invites the attendance of every Saloon man in the city.

She Was Put Out.

An Edenton girl who is taking singing lessons asked her teacher: "Do you think I can ever do anything with my voice?"

The professor very cautiously replied: "Well, it may come in handy in case of fire."

Elizabeth City Merchant Claims Kin To The Famous Pirate "Teach"

Says Pirate's Name Was Takes Commander.

ANOTHER OF OUR POPULAR TEACHERS



MISS MARY McMULLAN

A question which should deeply concern all parents is that of educating their children. That which should as deeply concern them is those to whom the education of these children is to be entrusted. This newspaper prints here today a picture of Miss Mary McMullan who was recently re-elected to the faculty of the Atlantic Collegiate Institute for the session of 1905-6. Miss McMullan will fill the chair of the assistant Intermediate. Miss McMullan filled this position last session. Her re-appointment is alone sufficient testimony to her efficiency.

Miss McMullan received her preparatory education at the Atlantic Collegiate Institute. She graduated at Winston-Salem. A daughter of Dr. O. McMullan, from one of the oldest families in Eastern North Carolina, Miss McMullan is prominent socially. She became a teacher through a noble desire to do something toward assisting the cause of education in the Old North State.

Other pictures of popular school teachers will appear in this newspaper from time to time.

PHILOSOPHY OF DIVERS KINDS

A man should not blame his wife for being fond of dry goods so long as he is equally fond of wet goods.

The way to get rid of the rascals is to stop being fools.

Greed is a disease that ought to be dealt with by law the same as smallpox.

If you allow your wife to have the last word the row will soon end. For a poor man to steal a loaf of bread is robbery, but when a rich man steals a railroad it is called a "transaction."

All the people in the universe believing a lie would not make it a truth.—Tom Watson's Magazine.

Sunday Excursions To Nags Head.

Steamer Tourist leaves her dock at foot of Fearing street every Sunday at 7:30 a. m. arriving at Nags Head at 12 m. and returning leaves Nags Head at 6:30 p. m., arriving at Elizabeth City at 11 p. m. Round trip \$1.50. Meals served aboard the steamer.

His Home Was Ne
Nixonton and He
Thought to Ha
Buried His Plund
On Buzzard Island.

Since the publication in this newspaper of the fact that a renewed search is being made for the buried treasure of the Pirate Teach many new stories of the once famous brigand have been going the rounds. Particularly interesting is the fact that it transpires that Mr. J. C. Commander, prominent merchant of this city, claims to be a descendent of the pirate Teach.

Mr. Commander, interviewed by a representative of this newspaper this morning said: "I have always been of the opinion that Pirate Teach was an ancestor of mine. The first place his real name was not Teach. His name was Turner Commander and he was called Teach, as a nickname. He was by this name and by the name 'Black Beard' because of a long black beard which he always wore. Teach had his headquarters at the mouth of Simons Creek near Nixonton. My brother Mr. R. C. Commander now owns the property on which Teach lived."

Mr. Commander says that he believes it is extremely foolish for any one to hunt for money which Teach may have buried. If he buried any money at all says Mr. Commander I believe he sunk it on Buzzard Island, in the Little River.

Mr. Commander says the belief maintained for years that Teach sunk a lot of his money in a kettle in Simons Creek. According to Mr. Commander this kettle was located many years ago and many attempts have been made to raise it but no one ever succeeded. He says that he has seen two vessels, equipped with heavy windlasses, attempt to raise this kettle without avail.

But he thinks the kettle is that was used for boiling salt during the revolutionary war and that it fell into the creek upside down and has become so set in the mud of the creek's bottom that the suction holds it down against effort made to raise it.

Mr. Commander can give some interesting stories about this pirate to any one who cares to approach him on the subject.

Reports from Mr. C. W. Hollowell's farm are to the effect that the unknown parties who have been digging into his property presumably for this treasure, have discontinued their operations for the past two nights.

Try a cup of Gillies Mokajav Coffee at Dawsons Cafe. It will cheer your heart. Poindexter street.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the Carolina Fuel Co. Monday Aug. 7, 1905, in the office of Williams and Leigh, in the First National Bank Building, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of making conveyances and other things.

J. H. LEROY, Pres.
W. L. SMITH, Sec'y.